



Beechwood Primary News



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House Points

Kagan
4,755

DeBono
4,738

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4,477

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4,235

*Well done to the
children in
Kagan*

Welcome

This term we have welcomed our new YR children, all of the children have settled into school life well, they confidently speak to everyone which is lovely to see. Our Year 6 children are being excellent buddies to our new children, they have worked hard to help them to settle in and learn the school rules, well done Year 6! We have also welcomed many new members of staff, Miss Gaunt (Y2), Miss Arnold (Y3), Miss Atherton (Y4), Mrs Gavin (MDA), Mrs Murray (TA) and we have welcomed back Mrs Horan (YR). All the new staff have thrown themselves into life at Beechwood

PTA

We have only been back a few weeks but already the PTA have been working hard organising activities. Our first event the Race Night was a galloping success! Thanks to the match funding received they made approximately £900, this money marks the start of our ipad funds - thank you to Kelly Campbell, Kirsty ApCareg, Emma Illing and Karen McIntrye for organising this excellent evening and thank you to all of the families that attended.

The children would like to say a thank you to Kelly Campbell for securing some additional funding so that the school can purchase a much needed new football kit. The children would also like to say thank you to Karen Carrera who has managed to get us some funding from Howdens so that we can purchase a new netball kit. We look forward to modelling these new kits in the near future.

We would also like to say thank you to all of the parents that supported the children making their Christmas cards. As we go to print, we are all getting ready for the disco, thank you to all of the parents who will be helping.

Congratulations to....

Harry & Lois (YR) Jacob D & Eleanor (Y1),
Charlie Hi & Amber (Y2),
Adam La & Phoebe (Y3), Ben & Daniel (Y4),
Bethany & Henry (Y5), James T & Sam (Y6).

For their excellent work this half term, keep up the hard work!

Year 6

Thank you to all the family members who joined us at our Year 6 Class Assembly this week. The children really enjoyed planning the assembly around our Rivers and Coasts theme. They chose the topic themselves as their passion for improving the quality of our seas and oceans has been triggered through our topic work. Their assembly made us all think carefully about our lifestyle choices, well done Year 6! Class assemblies are new this year so please make sure that you add the date of your child's class assembly to your diary. All of the class assembly dates are on the dates for the year that were sent out at the beginning of the term.



Sports



Football

Our Year 1, 2, 3 and 4 Football teams have all taken part in a tournament. The children all played really well and every team came 2nd! Well done to all of the children that took part.

Netball

The Netball league has started, our first team won their first match and we had a lovely message from the school that they played commenting on how lovely our children were supporting their team who is new to the league. Good luck to our second team who play their first match tonight.

Widnes Vikings

This half term the Year 4 & 5 children spent a morning sessions with Widnes Vikings to look at their sporting achievements from the beginning of last year. During this time, they were tested for their running speed, pace, jumping skills and partner work. The children thoroughly enjoyed this session and are looking forward to the Widnes Vikings returning later in the year.

Outdoor Learning

Forest Schools:

Mrs Forshaw says that Y1 children have worked hard during forest school sessions. I have really been impressed with the way they have developed their teamwork skills. Reception have had great fun taking part in Forest schools this half term. The children have loved getting covered in mud and enjoyed exploring the Dell area, finding different ways of moving through and around the trees. We even had a camp fire and toasted marshmallows.

Allotment:

The children have continued to enjoy the weekly visits down to the allotment where they have harvested a range of foods, which have been used in a variety of ways. The children have begun planting a small crop for harvest next year and will continue work on the allotment up to the Christmas holidays.

Flotsam

All of the classes have used Flotsam by David Wiesner as a stimulus for their English and Topic work, the school has been a hive of activity and it has been lovely to see all of the children determined to produce a very high standard of work for display.

Year 6 have worked hard writing balanced arguments and Craft Club have risen to the challenge of making 3D octopus from fabric. They have loved using the sewing machine to stitch their creations together and can't wait to show them off in the Year 6 section of the Flotsam display. Year 5 have developed their use of figurative language and used this to create waves! They have also completed some sketching and diary entries. Year 4 have immersed themselves in the Flotsam story. In English, the children have produced engaging setting descriptions and tantalising shape poetry. Exploration of the topic has continued within their afternoon classes where they have investigated rivers and the causes of flooding. Year 3 have been working extremely hard to adapt to KS2. The children have worked very hard writing stories and poems all linking to our story Flotsam and they have created some amazing art work that will all be displayed in our soon to open sensory walk. Year 2 have blown Miss Gaunt away in English with their amazing, creative stories which are now displayed around the school, they have worked really hard improving our handwriting, grammar skills and spellings. Thank you so much to everyone who has supported the creation of our fantastic whole school Flotsam display, the children are very proud of their work being part of a whole school project. Year 1 children have worked very hard to produce some amazing work for our Flotsam display. They have shown wonderful creativity in both their artwork and writing. Year R have worked on their letter formation and creating a range of impressive art work, including a giant starfish!

The display is starting to take shape, it has been lovely to hear the children responding with wonderment and awe as different parts go up. We look forward to getting it all finished early next term and inviting you all in to walk through the story.