



# BEECHWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

## newsletter

2nd May 2025

## WELCOME BACK!

It was lovely to see you all back this week. The children have all grown and look much more grown up.

It's been a lovely first week back and now the sun is shining, it's nice to see them enjoying the field at playtimes.

The Year 4 children have had a great time on their Residential at Barnstondale. They enjoyed abseiling nightline, toasting marshmallows and archery.



A gentle reminder that the children will need to wear sun hats and suncream. The weather continues to be sunny, so please make sure your child has sun hats and has suncream in school ready to top up at lunchtime.

## IMPORTANT DATES

### **Monday 5th May**

Bank Holiday

### **Week Beginning 12th May**

Year 6 SATs

### **Friday 16th May**

20p challenge- which class will make the longest line with 20ps and win a fantastic prize?

### **Tuesday 20th May**

Hawking Class Assembly

### **Wednesday 21st May**

5/6 Netball Competition tbc

### **Thursday 22nd May**

Children finish for half term. Non Uniform-colour donation and House Afternoon.

### **Tuesday 3rd June**

School reopens

### **Wednesday 4th June**

Sports Day

### **Thursday 5th June**

5/6 Dynamo Cricket tbc

### **Friday 6th June**

Y6 Norton Priory Trip

### **Wednesday 11th June**

Reserve Sports Day

### **Tuesday 17th June**

Rosen Class Assembly

5/6 Girl's Cricket

### **Thursday 19th June**

5/6 Cricket Comp tbc

### **Tuesday 1st July**

Reception, Year 1 and 2 trip- details to follow



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Following lots of voting....  
we can unveil the new  
school's logo!



**BEECHWOOD**  
Primary School

### HOUSE POINTS!

Kagan- 1252

Costa- 1309

DeBono- 1464

Hyerle- 1763

### CERTIFICATE WINNERS

PICASSO

Julian Arnold and Kaitlyn Connelly

ROSEN

Alice Shephard and Connor Mainwaring

ATTENBOROUGH

Millie Cheadle and Elise Clarke

PANKHURST

Ellis Mullen and Millie Warburton

HAWKING

Ben Leech and Matha Hayes

MALALA

Lewi Arnold and Willow Kinouchi

MANDELA

Luca Claxton and Evie-Mai Houghton

### WELLBEING CERTIFICATES

PICASSO

Kyran Lillis

ROSEN

Henry Davies

ATTENBOROUGH

William Lunt

PANKHURST

Esmae Westhead

HAWKING

Millie Foulkes

MALALA

Sienna Jones

MANDELA

Daisy Mai Lunt



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UPGRADE



## UNIFORM UPGRADE

Over the last few weeks, the children have been busy voting for the uniform upgrades that they would like. They have chosen to tweak the PE uniform ready for **September 2025**.

They have chosen for the school PE uniform to be:

- ✓ a **red** polo top
- ✓ **black, plain** leggings/shorts/jogging bottoms
- ✓ a **new black sports top**.

From September 2025, children will no longer wear red jumpers, hoodies or black zip tops for PE. They will be wearing this new PE top.

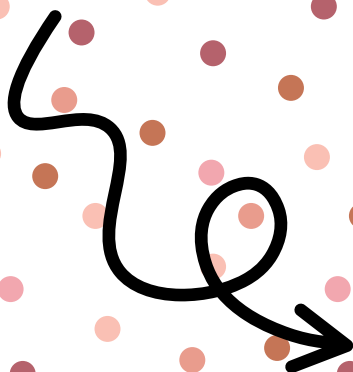
The new black top is incredibly smart and long lasting. These can be purchased from Touchline in the coming weeks- we are just waiting for confirmation on when they are ready to order.

The main school uniform will remain the same for the 2025-2026 academic year.



EXCITING NEWS

# LOOK



**YOU'RE INVITED**

Is your child due to start school in September 2026?

Attention Reception class of 2026! Beechwood Primary School have an exciting series of events for our 'Little Saplings'. Come along to any of these events to see where your child could make friends and flourish in a Good school where "Pupils are nurtured" Ofsted, 2025.

**REGISTER NOW**

Thursday 23rd October - Halloween Fun (costumes optional)

Thursday 13th November - Forest Schools Fun

Thursday 4th December - Christmas Craft session

Each session will run from 9:30-11am

SCAN THE QR CODE TO BOOK YOUR PLACE!

BEECHWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL, GRASMERE DRIVE, WA7 2TT

# EXCITED

## Academic calendar 2025/26 UK

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### Bank holidays & Inset Days 2025/26 UK

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20 July '26	Inset Day 5						

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Universal Credit  
claimants can use up  
to 50% of their  
work search time  
volunteering



## Become a parent group leader!

**Empowering Parents, Empowering Communities (EPEC) is an evidence-based parenting programme delivered by parents to parents in their local communities.**

- ✓ Support other parents in a fun group setting
- ✓ Learn new skills
- ✓ Paid expenses for travel
- ✓ Make a valuable difference in your community

### Find out more

**email:** [parenting@halton.gov.uk](mailto:parenting@halton.gov.uk) | **telephone:** 0151 511 6757



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PARENTS  
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COMMUNITIES

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with Halton Family Hubs

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Following on from the latest information shared with parents and carers regarding attendance, this image highlights the importance of every minute in school.

**Don't miss out on the education you deserve.**



# Should I keep my child off school?



Yes


Until...

<b>Chickenpox</b>	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
<b>Diarrhoea and Vomiting</b>	48 hours after their last episode
<b>Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)</b>	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19
<b>Impetigo</b>	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
<b>Measles</b>	4 days after the rash first appeared
<b>Mumps</b>	5 days after the swelling started
<b>Scabies</b>	they've had their first treatment
<b>Scarlet Fever</b>	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
<b>Whooping Cough</b>	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Giardiar fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek

 **SCAN ME**

### Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfec>.



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*Recently, we have noticed a significant increase in the number of vehicles parking in an unsafe manner during drop-off and pick-up times. We understand that the school's location may pose challenges when it comes to finding suitable parking spots. However, we kindly ask that you remain mindful and considerate of others when parking your vehicles.*

### TACKLING ILLEGAL PARKING

Parking illegally or inconsiderately can create significant problems for other road users and pedestrians, particularly those with push chairs or using mobility scooters.

**Parking enforcement**  
In Cheshire East, Cheshire West and Chester, and Warrington  
The enforcement of yellow lines, time-limited parking and other parking restrictions in Cheshire is entirely the responsibility of the local authorities and their parking enforcement teams.

**Report online:**  
**Cheshire East Council**  
[www.cheshireeast.gov.uk](http://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk)  
**Cheshire West and Chester Council**  
[www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk](http://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk)  
**Warrington Borough Council**  
[www.warrington.gov.uk](http://www.warrington.gov.uk)

**In Halton (Widnes and Runcorn)**  
The enforcement of yellow lines, time-limited parking and other

parking restrictions in Halton is the responsibility Cheshire Police. To report this please phone **101**.

**Obstruction**  
A vehicle causing an obstruction is one which has been parked and left unattended in such a way that it is considered to be a hazard to pedestrians or other road users. For example, a car parked on a bend in the road. This also includes blocking free passage to pedestrians and blocking access to private or public property.

If you need to contact the police because a vehicle is causing a safety hazard or an obstruction on a public road, please contact Cheshire Police on the non-emergency number, **101**.

**Do not report illegal parking via social media.**

**All road users need to be aware of and adhere to parking restrictions:**

- No parking on bends
- No parking on zigzag lines
- Do not obstruct a resident's driveway
- Do not park on double lines
- Do not park on 'time-limited' single lines
- Do not cause an obstruction

**CALL THE POLICE ON 101**  
IN AN EMERGENCY ALWAYS CALL 999

[www.cheshire.police.uk/priorities](http://www.cheshire.police.uk/priorities)  
Sign up to [cheshirepolicealert.co.uk](http://cheshirepolicealert.co.uk)  
Follow us on twitter: @CheshirePolice  
[Facebook.com/Cheshirepolice](https://www.facebook.com/Cheshirepolice)

**Cheshire Constabulary**

### 7 Top Tips to Support Reading at Home

Shared reading is a great way to develop children's language and communication and to boost their reading skills. Regular reading routines can offer lots of opportunities for learning during school closures.

- 1 Concentrate on reading quality (it isn't all about reading lots!)**  
 Don't worry too much about the 'what' and 'how' of reading each day. Books are great—but leaflets, comics, recipes and instructions on a webpage can all be great too. Following a recipe to make some cupcakes is valuable reading. Be on the lookout for reading, wherever it is!
- 2 Ask your child lots of questions**  
 All reading matters. Shared reading is about 'reading with', not just 'reading to' (even for older children). So, ask lots of 'Wh' questions, such as Who? What? When? Where? Why? Try them when talking about books: for example, 'what do you think Harry is feeling?'
- 3 Ask your child to make predictions about what they have read**  
 If it is a book, look at the front cover—or the last chapter—and talk about what might happen next. Look for clues in the book and be a reading detective! For example, 'can you see the bear on the front cover? Where do you think he will go?'
- 4 Ask your child to summarise what they have read**  
 When you've finished reading, talk about what happened. Acting out the things that happened in the story or describing the big idea of a chapter is really fun and maximises learning. For example, 'can you remember all the things that happened on the bear hunt?'
- 5 Ask your child to write about what they have read**  
 Write, or draw pictures, from anything you've read! Big writing and pictures are even more fun. For example, use an old roll of wallpaper to make a treasure map with clues from the stories you've read together.
- 6 Read and discuss reading with friends or family**  
 Make books a part of the family. Encourage your child to share them with a relative or friend, over a video call. Laugh about them when you are making meals together. For example, 'I hope the tiger doesn't come to tea today!'
- 7 Maintain the motivation to read**  
 Talk about the joy of reading whenever you can. Your child is on an amazing journey to becoming a reader. Put them in the driving seat and have fun on the way! For example, 'choose your favourite story for bedtime tonight.'