

Beeches Infant and Junior Schools

Weekly Newsletter

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Issue 8



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WORLD BOOK DAY

Across both schools, we had a wonderful day on Thursday celebrating books and our love of reading, following the theme of "Around the World in Books!" As well as showing off their fantastic outfits, the children have taken part in a wide range of activities related to reading. It was great to see our younger and older children reading and enjoying books together.

Please remember, books are to be enjoyed and celebrated every day, not just on World Book Day. Reading is a vital life skill, and the more time your child spends doing it now, the more it will benefit them throughout their life. You can see a few photos from our day attached to this newsletter.

RESPONDING TO LETTERS

Please support us by ensuring you send reply slips in when requested. We love to arrange special events for our children and invite you in when we can but in order to do so, we have to plan carefully, and we usually need to know how many people are coming. For example, at a recent Year 3 workshop, we asked people to let us know if they were coming, but then twice as many people came as we were expecting! This led to us having to hastily prepare more resources. Similarly, we have Year 1's Easter show coming up and we need to know who to expect. If you arrive for that or other events without letting us know in advance, **we regret that we will have to turn you away.**

The last thing we want to do is disappoint you or your child in this way, so please help us out by making sure you send those slips back in when events come up. Thank you for your support and understanding.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Massive congratulations to Mr Lancaster and his fiancé who are adopting a baby girl! Mr Lancaster will be absent from the school from today until the summer, so we look forward to having him back in September. A letter was published yesterday explaining our staffing arrangements for 3L and also for 5C, as Miss Coleman will begin maternity leave after Easter. Congratulations also to Miss Parmar following her recent wedding in India! Miss Parmar will now be known as Mrs Modi and will be taking over 5C when she returns after Easter. Our very best wishes to all three families at this exciting time!

HOLIDAY CAMP

See attached flier regarding free and paid places at Spark Active's Easter holiday camp.

JUNIOR SCHOOL GROUNDS

Your child may have told you that we have recently had a crackdown on a couple of things at the junior school. One of them is running in corridors and in certain areas outside. The other is staying away from areas that are out-of-bounds. The children have responded superbly and things have vastly improved - we are, as always, very proud of them.

Regarding out-of-bounds areas, it has become a habit over the years for children and parents/carers to stand and walk on the mud area at the back of the playground. Believe it or not, that used to be grass - and we would like it to be again. We are planning to put grass seed down on it in due course, once we are satisfied that everyone's habits have changed and the seed will be successful. Here's an image of the before-and-after we are hoping to create:



Likewise, the grass banks outside the classrooms look a bit battered and bruised from years of children walking along the bottom of them, rather than sticking to the path. We would like to rectify this:



Together, we can do it! Please support us by keeping off the mud areas and encouraging your child to do the same. Thank you for your support.

SMOKING AND VAPING

Please be reminded that the entire school site is a no smoking, no vaping zone. Please do not smoke or vape anywhere on our school site under any circumstances.

SWIMMING TOWELS

If you have any towels you don't need that would be suitable for children to use for swimming, please donate them to the school. Towels must be clean and in good condition. Thank you.

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INFANT SCHOOL

STARS OF THE WEEK

For 'Explain things to help others'

Crocodiles: Jaxon	Dolphins: Amelia
Monkeys: Cleo	Seals: Sofia
Tigers: Reign	Whales: Keyaan
Owls: Sophia	
Parrots: Ava	
Penguins: Asahd	

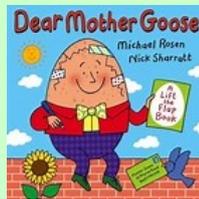
GOLDEN CHILD OF THE WEEK

For Good Behaviour

Crocodiles: Manha	Dolphins: Musa
Monkeys: Sara K	Seals: Eli
Tigers: Adom	Whales: Neyli
Owls: Freddie	
Parrots: Maysa	
Penguins: Isaac	

BOOK OF THE WEEK

"Dear Mother Goose" by Michael Rosen chosen by Parrots.



DIARY DATES

Tue 17 Mar, 9am	Whales maths parent workshop
Wed 18 Mar, 9am	Seals maths parent workshop
Thu 19 Mar, 9am	Dolphins maths parent workshop
Fri 20 Mar	Comic Relief - non-uniform
Wed 25 Mar	Reception Easter bonnet parade
Wed 25 Mar, 2pm	Year 1 Easter production
Fri 27 Mar	Last day of term - optional early finish
Mon 13 Apr	Start of summer term
Mon 4 May	Bank holiday - school closed
Fri 15 May pm	Family afternoon celebration
Wed 20 May	Break up for half term
Thu 21 & Fri 22 May	Teacher Days - school closed
Mon 1 Jun	School reopens

JUNIOR SCHOOL

PUPIL OF THE WEEK

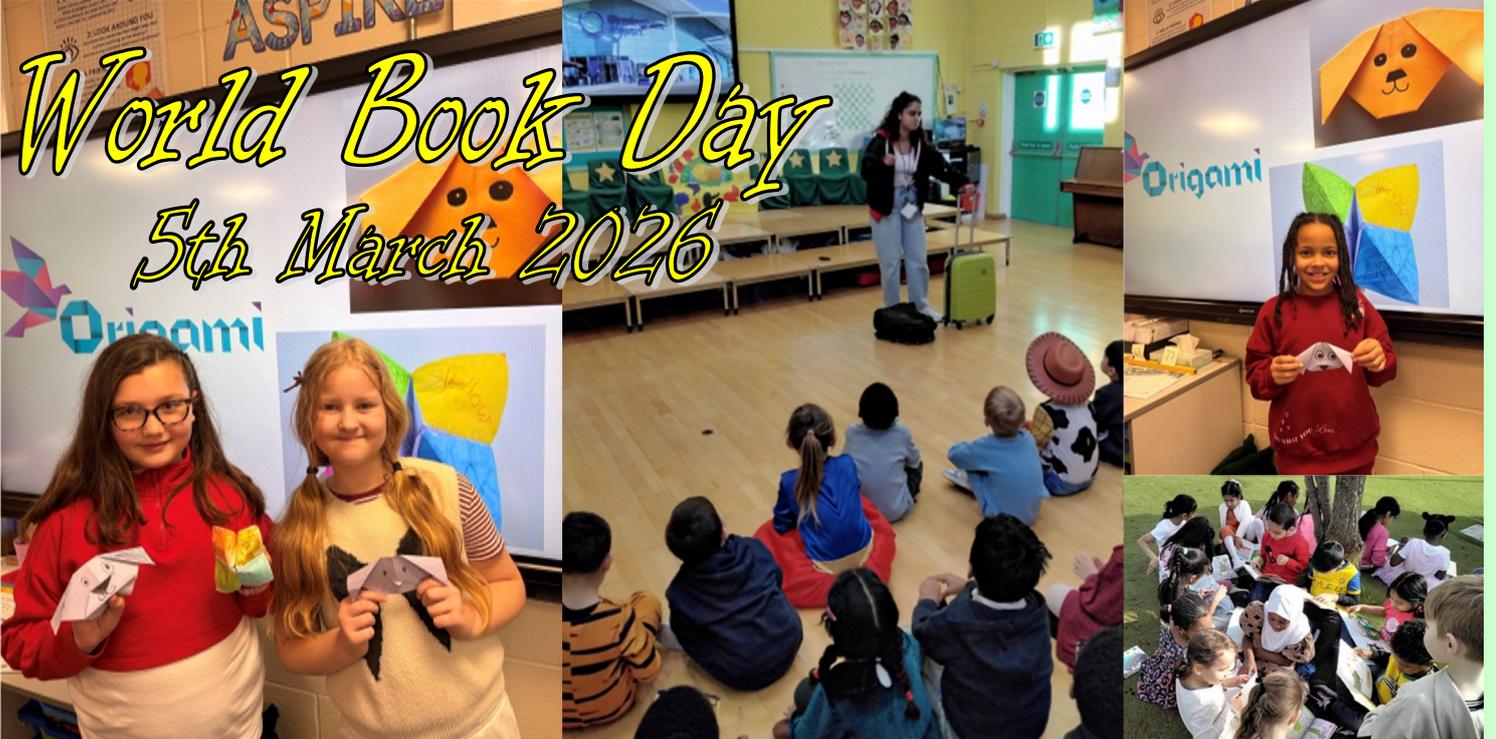
3KP: Lalo	5C: Ethan
3L: Ayat	5L: Jaya
3SP: Logan	5W: Gurpal
4A: Justin-Gabriel	6M: Kelsey
4F: Isha	6P: Aydin
4S: Ezza	6S: Zoya

TEAM POINTS

1=. Team Cadbury	692
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3. Team Malala	691
4. Team Lewis	560

DIARY DATES

Tue 10 Mar	Year 6 visit to church
Thu 12 & Fri 13 Mar	Year 4 residential visit to Woodlands
Mon 16 - Fri 20 Mar	STEM Week
Fri 20 Mar	Comic Relief - non-uniform
Fri 27 Mar	Easter egg competition
Fri 27 Mar	Last day of term - optional early finish
Mon 13 Apr	Start of summer term
Tue 14 Apr	Year 5 visit to Space Centre
Thu 16 Apr	Year 3 visit to synagogue and library
Mon 20 & Thu 23 Apr	Year 4 visits to Mandir
Thu 30 Apr	Year 4 visit to Black Country Museum
Mon 4 May	Bank holiday - school closed
Tue 5 May pm	Pinocchio pantomime in school
Mon 11 - Thu 14 May	Year 6 SATs week
Fri 15 May pm	Family afternoon celebration
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Beeches Junior School

Easter Egg

Competition!

Friday 27th March

★ Theme: ★

“Things That EGG-CITE Me”

2nd

1st

3rd

Prizes for all children!

**1st, 2nd & 3rd Place
for Each Year Group!**

**Bring your entries to the main
hall from 8.30am**



EASTER '26 HOLIDAY CAMP



Sport & Physical activity

Arts & Crafts

GLENMEAD PRIMARY
Glenmead Rd
FOR CHILDREN AGE 5 UP TO YEAR 6
PAID PLACES:
Mon 30 Mar to Thur 2 April
FREE PLACES available
(10am - 3pm only)
Mon 30 Mar to Thur 2 April

SESSION TIMINGS & PRICES

9am - 3pm £20.00 *10am - 3pm £17.00
9am - 5pm £26.00 10am - 5pm £23.00

Please note - FREE places 10am - 3pm ONLY

10% Discount if you book by 16th March 2026

Use EARLY as the voucher code
(*no discount for 10am-3pm sessions)

BOOK NOW

FREE PLACES with lunch provided
for children who receive
free school meals due to benefits

Children from the local area who receive Free School Meals due to benefits (not because they are in Infants) will be eligible for a FREE place with Bring It On Brum. Your school will have the relevant Bring it on Brum code which is required when booking



SCAN ME

USE THE QR CODE OR WEBSITE LINK
<https://bookings.kssp.co.uk/list>



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