

Issue 6

10th October 2025

Communicating With School

We are always keen to communicate with you, particularly when there is something that needs to be addressed. When you have something on your mind that you want to speak to us about, please contact the school office and give them as much detail as you can. This will help us to make sure it is the most appropriate person who speaks to you. Usually, that will be the class teacher but you can escalate that to the Year Group Leader, and then to SLT if you feel your issue isn't resolved. Quite often, parents and carers want to go straight to the headteachers, and while Mrs Flint and Mr Smart are very happy to talk to parents and carers, they aren't always the people best placed to give you the information you are looking for. Thank you for your understanding.

Book Fair

The book fair will be in school next week! This is a great opportunity for you to boost your child's home library and develop their love of books. We have a card reader and hopefully it will work - it has been problematic in the past but we have upgraded our WiFi since last time so we are optimistic that we will be able to take card payments, but just in case, if you can bring cash then we will definitely be able to take that!

Uniform Reminders

Please remember that smart watches, or any watches with messaging or photo-taking capability, are not permitted at school. Step-counters, such as fitbits, are permitted as long as they do not have communication or camera functions. Claw clips are also not permitted following some recent accidents, and tooth gems should not be worn. Thank you for supporting us with this.

Parents Evenings

We are looking forward to welcoming you to our parents' evenings next week. If you don't yet have an appointment, please contact the office to arrange one. You will have the opportunity to look at your child's books and we will also be giving you the opportunity to complete Ofsted's Parent View survey about our school. The book fair will be open on both days. You can leave your child with someone or you can bring them with you to join in the conversation. We'll see you next week!

Parents and carers of children in 4A - we regret that we have had to postpone your parents' evenings due to unforeseen circumstances. We apologise for this and we will notify you of new dates as soon as we can.

QR Codes in Books

We have been made aware that some children's books (including the Spy series by Andrew Cope) have QR codes in them that have been hacked and now lead to some adult content. Please be vigilant with your child and check any QR codes before they scan them.

Proposed Amalgamation - Consultation Closed

Birmingham City Council's consultation about the proposed amalgamation of the infant and junior schools has now closed. We will update you about the next steps once we have had feedback from the Local Authority. Thank you to everyone who shared their views.

Birthday Treats

We are happy to help your child enjoy their birthday and let them give out treats at the end of the day. Items must be individually wrapped and not home-made. For example, a bag of individually wrapped lollipops or a box of "Heroes" or "Celebrations" would be fine, but a big cake that needs cutting up or a pack of Mr. Kipling cakes where they are not in individual wrappers can't be given out.

Half Term Clubs, Pumpkins and Football!

We have been asked to share details of a few opportunities that are coming up, and we are happy to do so on the next two pages. As usual, please be aware that these are not Beeches Junior School events, we are not endorsing them and we urge you to carry out your own due diligence, especially around their safeguarding arrangements.

Harvest Collection

Monday is the last day for bringing in items for our Harvest collection. Items brought in will be taken by Birmingham City Mission on Tuesday 14th October and everything we collect is distributed to people who really need it. We do not expect every family to donate items but if you are in a position to send any items in, please help by donating non-perishable food items and toiletries. Please do not send in any fresh or frozen food. All items should be in date and unopened. Thank you in advance.

Diary Dates

Mon 13 - Fri 17 Oct Year 6 Bikeability
Mon 13 & Parents' evenings

Wed 15 Oct

Wed 15 Oct, 8.45am 3KP Stay and Read

Thu 16 Oct Year 3 Stone Age-Iron Age workshop

Fri 17 Oct Diwali celebrations

Wed 22 - Fri 24 Oct Year 6 visit to Culmington Manor

Fri 24 Oct, 9.15am *Year 5 Diwali assembly*

and 2.30pm

Fri 24 Oct Break up for half term

Mon 3 Nov School reopens

Tue 4 Nov, 9.05am Year 5 maths parent workshop

Thu 6 Nov Photographer in school

Mon 10 Nov, 2.40pm Phonics workshop
Tue 11 Nov, 8.45am 6S Stay and Read
Wed 12 Nov, 8.45am 6M Stay and Read
Tue 18 Nov, 8.45am 6P Stay and Read

Team Points Beeches Brilliant Readers

Zephaniah 534
 Malala 502
 Lewis 461
 Cadbury 443
 Year 3: Effie (3KP)
 Year 4: Jannah (4S)
 Year 5: Javeria (5C)
 Year 6: Sienna-Rose (6S)

Pupil of the Week

3KP: Oakley4A: Cassia5C: Jaxxon6M: Jeeya3L: Oyemurewa4F: Yusuf5L: Lewis6P: Freddi3SP: Liam4S: Elijah5W: Easa6S: Jacob

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OCTOBER HALF TERM HOLIDAY CAMPS



MANEY HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

Maney Hill Road

GLENMEAD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Glenmead Road

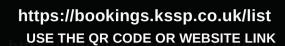
FOR CHILDREN AGE 5 UPTO YEAR 6







JOIN US FOR A FUN FILLED WEEK
WITH LOTS OF HALLOWEEN
THEMED ACTIVITIES





SCAN ME

BOOK













AT ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC COLLEGE

ERDINGTON ROAD, WALSALL, WS9 0RN

MONDAY EVENINGS ONGOING DURING SCHOOL TERM TIMES

(NEW PLAYERS CAN JOIN AT ANYTIME DURING THE YEAR(PROVIDING PLACES ARE AVAILABLE)



Dear Parents.

I am delighted to inform you that following the success of previous year's courses we are expanding the football coaching programme for the season. The course will run on a weekly basis **EVERY MONDAY** during school term times.

All of our courses are run by F.A. QUALIFIED COACHES INCLUDING EX-PROFESSIONAL PLAYERS. All of our coaches have been DBS/CRB POLICE CHECKED. The course is open to boys and girls aged between 4 and 12. All abilities are catered for with total beginners introduced through FUN and confidence building practices. The course is tightly structured to ensure all aspects of football skills are developed.

At the end of the term(usually 10-15 weeks) every child will receive an engraved merit trophy and course certificate, with chances to win extra trophies including penalty shoot out, american shoot out and champions league competitions.

The cost of the course is £7.50 per week, which is payable every four weeks (£30) with the first payment due on week one. Parents are welcome to stay and watch however the club is fully supervised so children may be left in our care. We have the use of excellent facilities including the large sports hall and outdoor pitches.

TO BOOK A PLACE ON TO THE COURSE PLEASE <u>TEXT</u> 'ST FRANCIS' + CHILD'S NAME & AGE + GROUP NUMBER (1,2or3)

and receive confirmation by text

07856 315 637

Steven Nugent (Course Co-ordinator)



Aldridge Road Allotments

Mini Market & Pick-Your-Own Pumpkin Patch

Sunday 26th October



11am - 3pm



Perry Locks/Boar's Head - B44 8BH

CRAFT MARKET | BBQ | PLANTS & PRODUCE
REFRESHMENTS | CAKES | FOOD STALLS