



WELCOME BACK!

Beeches Primary School is here! This week was the culmination of a 20-month project to merge our two fantastic schools into one even better one!

It has been wonderful to welcome our children back once again, full of excitement, mixed in with a few nerves, and eager to tell us the stories of their summer break!

The children have settled superbly and we are very proud of the way they are working. We are looking forward to working with you over the coming months for the benefit of all the children.

UNIFORM

The children look fantastic in their school uniforms. We have a mixture of children in new, Beeches Primary School-branded uniform, some in unbranded uniform and others in Beeches Junior or Infant School uniform. We want to reassure you that all of these options are fine. If you want to continue to send your child in the old uniform while it still fits and is in good condition, we are very happy for you to do so.

One thing we will be firm on is jewellery. Please remember that children must not wear any jewellery other than one pair of plain stud earrings. **Hoop earrings are not acceptable** and children will be asked to remove them and any other jewellery they bring. School will not take responsibility for any loss or damage.

INFANT HALL AND DINNERS

Unfortunately, when the staff came back to school on Tuesday, we were faced with considerable flood damage in the infant hall. The hall is used for assemblies, PE lessons and dinners but we were unable to use it for any of these purposes this week. The site team have worked very hard on a temporary solution that means it is appropriate and safe to use it for dinners but for the time being, we will use the outside area and the junior hall for PE and assemblies. We expect to learn next week what the timescale will be for a full repair. We are sorry that the infant children have not been able to have hot meals this week - we expect to be back to normal soon.

LAUNCH PARTY

On Friday 11th September, we are holding a special Launch Party to celebrate our new school. The day will include art and craft activities, family picnics, games and more. We would love for you to join us from 1.30pm; tickets are £2 per adult (maximum 2 per family via SchoolMoney). Buy your ticket before Tuesday 8th September - **no tickets will be sold after this date**. All pupils will take part free of charge with or without an adult attending. There will be food items on sale during the event so please bring some cash to spend! All the money raised is going towards the theatre visit to watch Peter Pan in December (Year 2 - Year 6). To help with this, we are asking families to donate cakes for us to sell during the picnic. These can be store bought or homemade (with a list of ingredients used). Please bring in any cake donations from Thursday 10th September.

COMMUNICATIONS

If you want to share an urgent message with us, please contact the school office, either by phone or in person. Our phone number for the whole school will be 0121 360 4222 (the old infants' number) but for now, the junior building still has its separate number (0121 272 5888). We will let you know when the junior number is obsolete. If your message is not urgent, you can use ClassDojo to send us a message. For 99% of queries, your child's teacher is the person to contact. They will check their ClassDojo messages once a day. We will not be sharing email addresses, other than the main school one: enquiry@beechesprimary.co.uk. This is because staff receive so many emails every day, many of which are companies touting for business, and it will be easy for an important email to be missed. Therefore, please stick to ClassDojo for communications with staff.

BIG FUTURE SURVEY

The government wants to hear from children! Your child can take part in their Big Future survey here: <https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigfuture>



INFANT

JUNIOR

Stars of the Week, Golden Child of the Week and Book of the Week will return soon.

Pupil of the Week

3D: Mason

3M: Kylon

3P: Levi

4A: Skyla-Mae

4AS: Vinnie

4S: Enara

5A: Connie-Rae

5M: Aizah

5W: Nilima

6M: Ethan

6P: Zakariyah

6S: Fabion

Team Points

Our team point system is under review and we will announce how this is going to work in due course. In the meantime, Team Captains have been democratically elected. Congratulations to the following children:

Team Cadbury: Amilaah and Lucian

Team Lewis: Alythia and Sevak

Team Malala: Easa and Inaaya

Team Zephaniah: Maya and Zephi

DIARY DATES

Fri 11 Sept, 2.00pm	<i>Beeches Primary School launch party</i>
Wed 16 - Fri 18 Sept	<i>Year 6 residential visit to Condover</i>
Mon 21 - Fri 25 Sept	<i>Year 6 Bikeability</i>
Mon 19 & Wed 21 Oct	<i>Parents' evenings</i>
Fri 23 Oct	<i>Break up for half term</i>



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