

Beeches

Green Pages



Issue 8

24th October 2025

Half Term

We are breaking up for half term today. The children have made a great start to the year and it's time for them to have some other adventures for a week! We look forward to seeing everyone back in school when we return on **Monday 3rd November 2025.**

Happy Diwali!

We hope all our families who were celebrating Diwali this week enjoyed lots of happy family time. Thank you to Year 5 for your fantastic Diwali assembly!

Giving Items to Children

Please make sure your child has everything they need for the day when they come to school in the morning. We are getting a lot of items being brought in during the day. Our office staff have a lot of tasks to do and are not able to make multiple trips to the classroom. Therefore, if you do bring items in late, they may not get to your child as quickly as you would like.

Teacher Days

Advance notice that we do not have a Teacher Day at the start of the spring term this year. Children will return after the Christmas holiday on Monday 5th January 2026. Further ahead, we have Teacher Days planned for Thursday 21st and Friday 22nd May 2026. This is just before the May half term so the children will be off school from Thursday 21st and will return on Monday 1st June 2026.

Reporting Absence

If your child is unexpectedly absent, please telephone the school on 0121 272 5888 and select option 1 to leave us a message. This is the only way to report an absence. Please do not email the school or send a message on ClassDojo to report an absence. Many thanks for your co-operation.

Stars Assemblies

Thank you to everyone who came to one of our Stars assemblies this week. We were delighted to celebrate our "Stars" and also to give away our first ever "CHILD" awards. As these are brand new, the children receiving them have made history!

Our Star award winners are:

3KP: Eden, Everlie, Mohammad, Oakley, Teia, Wynter-Rose
3L: Aayah, Abdul Hadi, Layla-Rae, Noah, Siam, Sofia
3SP: Aarondeep, Antonia, Esmee, Liam, Rico, Wamika
4A: Chloe, Evelyn, Felicity, Freddie, Hania, Jacob
4F: Esmay, Ivy, Jennah, Joseph, Maxwell, Nathanael
4S: Ada-Lily, Elijah, Jahnella, Maddison, Orsino, Saira
5C: Anaiya, Ella-Rae, Frankie, Javeria, Kaycee-Mai, Limazah
5L: Harriet, Isaac, Krish, Lewhat, Mojola, Yahya
5W: Addison, Avneet, Hania, Karimullah, Lily, Sevak
6M: Amrit, Bineta, Jeeya, Kelsey, Taylan, Zulqarnain
6P: Charlie, Daya, Mikey, Nehemiah, Sienna, Willow
6S: Ava, Jacob, Kamilo, Karamveer, Michael, Zachary

Our first ever "CHILD" award winners are:

Individuality:

Jwairiyah (5C), Saidan (6P)

Learning:

Arta (5C), Zakariyah (5C), Saidan (6P), Muhammad (6P), Alexis (6S)

Reading Newsletter

This half term's reading newsletter is on the next page. We hope you enjoy reading it with your child. Over the coming week when school is closed, please take opportunities to read with your child.

Filling In Forms

Regrettably, we are unable to countersign passport applications or fill in Disability Living Allowance applications, or any other paperwork unrelated to your child's school life.

Outside opportunities

The fliers for support opportunities and half term activities that we have promoted in recent weeks can still be seen on the following pages of the newsletter.

Smoking and Vaping

Please note that the entire site is a no smoking, no vaping area. Please do not smoke or vape anywhere on site.

Secondary Admissions

Our current Year 6 children are due to transfer to secondary school in September 2026. Each year, the School Admissions Team receives late applications from families. Families who apply late are less likely to be offered one of their preferred schools. If you haven't already, you **MUST** apply for a secondary school space no later than **11.59 pm on 31 October 2025.** Please use the following link to apply:

www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions

Diary Dates

Fri 24 Oct	<i>Break up for half term</i>
Mon 3 Nov	<i>School reopens</i>
Tue 4 Nov, 9.05am	<i>Year 5 maths parent workshop</i>
Thu 6 Nov	<i>Photographer in school</i>
Fri 7 Nov	<i>Whole school dental check-up</i>
Mon 10 Nov, 2.40pm	<i>Phonics workshop</i>
Tue 11 Nov, 8.45am	<i>6S Stay and Read</i>
Wed 12 Nov, 8.45am	<i>6M Stay and Read</i>
Wed 12 Nov	<i>Year 5 visit to Film Festival</i>
Thu 13 Nov	<i>Year 4 visit to Film Festival</i>
Tue 18 Nov, 8.45am	<i>6P Stay and Read</i>
Thu 20 Nov, 9am	<i>Year 3 parent workshop</i>
Tue 2 Dec	<i>Year 6 visit to Beaumanor Hall</i>
Wed 10 Dec, 3.30pm	<i>Year 3/4 Christmas disco</i>
Thu 11 Dec	<i>Christmas Jumper Day</i>
Thu 11 Dec, 3.30pm	<i>Year 5/6 Christmas disco</i>
Fri 19 Dec	<i>Last day of term</i>
Mon 5 Jan 2026	<i>Start of spring term</i>
Wed 14 Jan, 9.05am	<i>Year 5 parent workshop</i>

Team Points

1. Cadbury	788
2. Zephaniah	753
3. Malala	708
4. Lewis	603

Beeches Brilliant Readers

Beeches Brilliant Readers will return after half term.

Pupil of the Week

Pupil of the week will return after half term.

Beeches Junior School Tel: (0121) 272 5888
Beeches Road, E-mail: enquiry@beechesjnr.bham.sch.uk
Birmingham B42 2PY Website: www.beechesjnr.bham.sch.uk

Beeches Reads



Autumn 1 has been packed with reading fun from Stay and Read sessions with parents to a visit from the Scholastic Book Fair. Children have also enjoyed stories, hot chocolate, and treats with Mrs Flint and Mr Ellis, and explored brilliant books across every year group.



Author Spotlight



Abi Elphinstone

What was your favourite childhood book and why?

Philip Pullman's *Northern Lights*. The heroine, Lyra, showed me that girls could be just as brave as boys, grown-ups and even armoured polar bears.

Which of your own books is your favourite and why?

I'm loving writing the Ember Spark series, about two kids who become Vets To Magical Beasts, because I adore inventing new magical beasts (like neverwhales that spout diamonds from their blowholes) and I really enjoy imagining Ember and her friend, Arno, cracking codes and breaking enchantments in a bid to keep all the fantastical creatures safe.

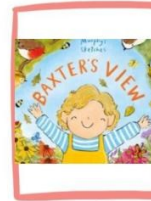
Why do you choose to read?

My teachers taught me about Pythagoras' Theorem, William the Conqueror and all sorts of important things like that. But I learnt about courage, friendship, wonder and hope from the books I discovered as a child. As well as Lyra showing me how to be brave, Mildred Hubble from *The Worst Witch* helped me navigate friendships and Lucy Pevensie from *The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe* taught me to believe in worlds behind wardrobe.

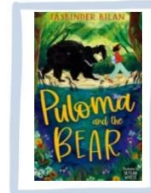
Recommended Reads

Pre-Key Stage Reads

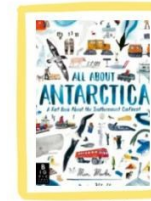
Year Three



Year Four



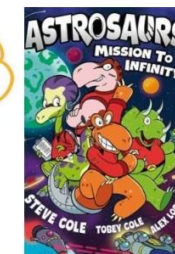
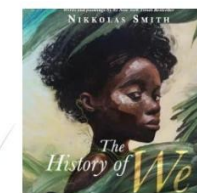
Year Five



Year Six



Autumn Reads



Nurturing ADHD kids

This online 6 week course is free for Birmingham parents and carers of children and young people with ADHD or suspected ADHD

LED BY ADULTS WITH ADHD

Does your child have ADHD or suspected ADHD?

Are you trying to support them but find that everyone gives you different advice?

In this 6 week course, you will

- learn about ADHD
- Understand the effect on our mental health
- Understand the reasons behind behaviours
- Gain confidence in advocating for our children
- Learn new strategies
- Help our kids be confident, resilient and be their best selves

What parents have said about this course

This course is literally game-changing for parents, caregivers, teachers and anyone living with a child (or adult) with ADHD. So much misunderstanding, frustration and worry could be prevented if everyone had access to this amazing resource.

Essential course for any parent of a child with ADHD. It changed the way I see my son and my ability to respond to his needs effectively.

Very informative, friendly, no pressure, enjoyable sessions

Email:
contactus@brewseducation.org

Birmingham Resilience Education and Wellbeing Services CIC



CIC Business Registration: 13240865

Nurturing ADHD kids

NEW GROUPS STARTING SOON!

Free online 6 week course for parents and carers

Each session is 90 minutes

November 2025 courses

Tuesdays 10 - 11.30 am
starting Tuesday 4th November
Register [HERE](#) or use QR code



Wednesdays 7-8.30 pm
starting Wednesday 5th November
Register [HERE](#) or use QR code



Registration closes at
5 pm on Friday 31st October

If you miss the deadline, email us at contactus@brewseducation.org and you can join the next one starting in November





Be Empowered.....

BE EMPOWERED WORKSHOPS

- Early Support Programme for SEND Parent Carers



We warmly invite you to a series of workshops that have been written by and are led by trainers who are parent/carers of a child with additional needs themselves. They run over a period of 6 weeks, and there are a selection of face-to-face and online sessions.

These workshops are for parent/carers of children and young people of any age, with any additional need, with or without a diagnosis. They are an attempt to support parent/carers through times of change and at whatever stage of the journey participants may find themselves.

Wednesday's 5/11/25 - 17/12/25
10:00am - 1:00pm
Evolve Centre, 99 Glover St, B9 4EN.

Monday's 10/11/25 - 15/12/25
10:00am - 1:00pm
Online via Zoom

Thursday's 8/1/26 - 12/2/26
10:00am - 1:00pm
Lime Tree Children's Centre,
Heathfield Rd, B19 1UJ

Saturday's 10/1/26 - 13/2/26
1:00pm - 4:00pm
Online via Zoom
Joining details will be sent.

Tuesday's 10/2/26, 24/2/26 - 24/3/26
10:00am - 1:00pm
Acocks Green Methodist Church,
1 Botteville Road, B27 7YE.

Friday's 27/2/26 - 27/3/26, 17/4/26
6:00pm - 9:00pm
Online via Zoom
Joining details will be sent.

Tuesday's 14/4/26 - 19/5/26
10:00am - 1:00pm
Online via Zoom
Joining details will be sent.

Thursday's 16/4/26 - 21/5/26
In Community Languages
10:00am - 2:00pm
Lime Tree Children's Centre,
Heathfield Road, B19 1UJ

Friday's 5/6/26 - 10/7/26
10:00am - 1:00pm
Online via Zoom
Joining details will be sent.

Monday's 8/6/26 - 13/7/26
10:00am - 1:00pm
Hodge Hill Family Hub, Dyson Gardens
Children's Centre, Highfield Road, B8 3QF.

TO BOOK - Please complete the booking form and return to: BeEmpowered@birmingham.gov.uk or alternatively you can submit online either by using the QR code to submit online.



For more information please contact: Christine Legore on 07770 762056 or via email at christine.legore@birmingham.gov.uk or Nathalie Messanvi on 07943 364833 or via email at nathalie.messanvi@birmingham.gov.uk

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Birmingham School Health Support Service

NHS

Birmingham
Community Healthcare
NHS Foundation Trust

SCHOOL NURSE VIRTUAL DROP-IN CLINIC

Every
Tuesday
and
Thursday
from
4:30-5:30pm

Your School Nurse is here to help you feel healthy, happy and safe during your school years and to get the best from your education.

Join the link and talk to a School Nurse. We provide a confidential and friendly service.

<https://nhs.vc/BCHC/C-F/Schl-Nurse/Drop-In>



Ref: 0136 • 150121

OCTOBER HALF TERM HOLIDAY CAMPS



**MANEY HILL
PRIMARY SCHOOL**
Maney Hill Road

**GLENMEAD
PRIMARY SCHOOL**
Glenmead Road
FOR CHILDREN AGE 5 UPTO YEAR 6

SESSION TIMINGS & PRICES

9am - 3pm	£19.00
10am - 3pm	£16.00
9am - 5pm	£25.00
10am - 5pm	£22.00



**BOOK
NOW**



SCAN ME

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

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



0121 688 1359

holidayscheme@sparkactive.co.uk

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SPORT4KIDS

Spooky Season Camp

October Half Term

**PHEASEY PARK
FOR 5-12 YEAR OLDS**



**27TH - 31ST
OCTOBER**



**USE CODE "OCT2025" FOR
10% OFF YOUR BOOKING**

BOOK BY Oct 17th 2025



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**