

# Beeches Infant and Junior Schools

## Weekly Newsletter



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### **BANK HOLIDAY**

A reminder that Monday is a Bank Holiday and school will be closed. Enjoy your long weekend - we look forward to seeing you on Tuesday.

### **RSE/PSHE CONSULTATION**

We would like to invite all parents and carers to attend our upcoming RSE (Relationships and Sex Education) and PSHE (Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education) consultation meeting on Friday 26th June at 9:00am in the junior school hall. This meeting provides a valuable opportunity for you to view the scheme of work that your child will be following, from EYFS through to Year 6. We believe it is important for families to feel informed and confident about the content being delivered in school.

You will also have the chance to ask questions, share your thoughts, and discuss any aspects of the curriculum with members of staff. We hope you can join us and look forward to welcoming you.

### **BIKES AND SCOOTERS**

A reminder that children coming to school with bikes and scooters must get off when they get to the school gates and walk their bike/scooter up to school. Our junior school children are generally very good at this but we have noticed, particularly in our Reception playground, that some children are riding bikes and scooters around the playground at the start and end of the day. Please do not allow your child to do this. This is also an issue with a small minority of Arena students who come to pick children up at the end of the day - please see below. Thank you for your co-operation.

### **CONDUCT OF ARENA STUDENTS**

Our friends at Priestley Smith School have been in touch with us to express concern that a minority of Arena students who come to pick up younger siblings from the infant and junior school are not behaving appropriately on the Priestley Smith playground. Specifically, they are continuing to play on the equipment in the playground. In some cases, students are riding their bikes over the ramps. This is despite us issuing several reminders that Priestley Smith's equipment should not be used at the start and end of the day. If you have children who attend Arena and come to pick up younger siblings, please give them a further reminder about the expectations. This includes making sure that bikes and scooters are walked on the site and not ridden. We are monitoring this and will have no alternative but to start issuing bans from our part of the site if this continues.

### **JEWELLERY AND UNIFORM**

We are continuing to see children coming to school with hoop earrings and other jewellery. Please note that the only jewellery children are permitted to wear is one pair of plain stud earrings, and they must be able to remove them for PE. Children are also allowed to wear watches as long as they do not have the facility to record sounds, make videos or send and receive messages.

**From Monday**, if your child is wearing any prohibited items, **they will be asked to remove them** and put them in their bag or coat pocket. School will not accept any responsibility for lost or damaged items.

We have also noticed a trend towards very short cycling shorts that some of our children are wearing.

**On PE days only**, children are permitted to wear plain black or dark grey cycling shorts but they must be close to knee length. Some of the shorts we have seen recently have been bordering on "hotpants", and are not appropriate.

**From Monday**, any child wearing cycling shorts that are too short will be given a pair of trousers or a skirt to put on over the top.

Thank you for your support with this.

### **YEAR 4 BCLM VISIT**

Cassia and Nishtha (4A) have written about yesterday's day out:

*Yesterday, Year 4 went to the Black Country Living Museum. We liked it when we went to the school and the sweet shop! We watched someone make a nail and visited some shops. We also spoke in a different language, which was unusual and funny! In the school, we learned how to sing the ABCs backwards and some people got into trouble because their hands were dirty.*

*We saw a motorbike store with lots of old motorbikes and a hardware store with old baths, kettles and washing accessories. We had a great time!*

### **WARMER WEATHER**

As we move into the (hopefully) warmer months, we encourage children to bring a cap or sunhat into school to wear at breaktime. These are to be taken off when they are in the building. Please ensure that any hats brought in do not contain any offensive messaging. Similarly, we encourage you to apply sun cream to your child before bringing them to school. School staff will not apply sun cream during the school day but an application at the start of the day will help to protect your child. Finally, please ensure your child brings their water bottle to school every day.

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### INFANT SCHOOL

#### STARS OF THE WEEK

For 'Being tolerant'

Crocodiles: Izer	Dolphins: Aya
Monkeys: Sara K	Seals: Alex
Tigers: Jasmin	Whales: Ayah
Owls: Mikaeel	
Parrots: Lashantai	
Penguins: Olivia	

#### GOLDEN CHILD OF THE WEEK

For Good Behaviour

Crocodiles: Khaleel	Dolphins: Phillip
Monkeys: Draisen	Seals: Zakariya
Tigers: Ali	Whales: Emilee
Owls: Teddy	
Parrots: Sehej	
Penguins: Varsha	

#### BOOK OF THE WEEK

"Perfectly Norman" by Tom Percival, chosen by Penguins



#### DIARY DATES

Mon 4 May	Bank holiday - school closed
Wed 6 May	Whole school class photos
Thu 7 May	Orthoptist Reception classes
Thu 14 May pm	Family afternoon celebration
Tues 19th May	Year 2 Warwick Castle
Wed 20 May	Break up for half term
Thu 21 & Fri 22 May	Teacher Days - school closed
Mon 1 Jun	School reopens
Wed 10 Jun	Year 1: Black Country Living Museum
Tue 23 Jun	Monkeys: Castle Brom Hall Gardens
Wed 24 Jun	Tigers: Castle Brom Hall Gardens
Thu 25 Jun	Crocodiles: Castle Brom Hall Gardens
Fri 26 Jun, 9am	RSE/PSHE consultation meeting
Fri 17 Jul	Last day of term
Mon 20 Jul	Teacher Day - school closed

### JUNIOR SCHOOL

#### PUPIL OF THE WEEK

3KP: Haster	5C: Anaiya
3L: Asher	5L: Isaac
3SP: Ibrahim	5W: Franklin
4A: Dolton	6M: Ayesha
4F: Deandre	6P: Amy
4S: Abiha	6S: Aishah

#### TEAM POINTS

1.	Team Zephaniah	795
2.	Team Malala	778
3.	Team Cadbury	739
4.	Team Lewis	653

#### DIARY DATES

Mon 4 May	Bank holiday - school closed
Tue 5 May pm	Pinocchio pantomime in school
Mon 11 - Thu 14 May	Year 6 SATs week
Thu 14 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
Fri 5 Jun	Eid celebrations
Fri 26 Jun, 9am	RSE/PSHE consultation meeting
Wed 1 Jul	Summer Fayre
Thu 2 Jul	Year 3 visit to Botanical Gardens
Fri 17 Jul	Last day of term
Mon 20 Jul	Teacher Day - school closed