Beech Green Primary School "Believe Grow Persevere Succeed" Newsletter for Wednesday 2nd May 2018

Dear Parents and Carers

There are now 90 people following Beech Green on Twitter. Almost all the classes have posted a photo or picture of work. I have included a few examples of recent posts below.



We are cautious about how this social media is used. You will never see a full face photograph or name. This is to protect all the children in our school. However we think Twitter is a useful way to share information with you about what your child is learning. If you have ever had a, 'nothing' response from your child when asked, 'what have you done at school today?' Twitter could be the answer. It might help your child to understand and talk about their learning. When a class posts something about their day, you can share it with them and ask questions e.g. what did you find easy or difficult about this work? How does it fit with your topic? What is going to happen next?

Twitter is quite easy to set up, you can just follow us. If you would like more information please pop in to see Mrs Barry or speak to someone on the gate.

Julie Poulson



@beech_green

KS2 House Singing Competition with a concert by the Churchdown Male Voice Choir

There is still a buzz in the air from the excitement of Friday evening. So many parents have been giving positive feedback and all the children and staff agree our KS2 Singing Competition, combined with the concert by the Churchdown Male Voice Choir, was an overwhelming success. Special thanks have to go to Mr Higgs and the PTFA for all their hard work in bringing the event together. We've already had requests for future concerts so watch this space...



We have thanked the Choir for giving their time so generously to support our school fundraising.

The money raised from tickets sales was £763.76 plus some profit from interval sales of teas and coffees (with a few expenses to be taken out). Thanks to everyone for supporting this event.

Last, but by no way least, we must say a very well done to all the children of houses, Ash, Elm, Oak and Pine who not only worked hard to learn all their words but were very brave to sing in front of the choir and a full house at Severn Vale. Well done Elm who won the competition with their rendition of Gary Barlow's "Sing." Everyone sang beautifully and it was an evening to remember.

Country Dance Festival



Last Tuesday evening Beech Green Country Dance Club went to the annual Stroud Country Dance Festival. There were lots of other schools dancing with us and the hall was packed with lots of boys and girls in assorted colourful outfits. We all had a super time performing ten different dances.

At the end of the night we were all thoroughly hot and exhausted, but we all agreed that it had been a great night. Our children were fantastic and represented the school brilliantly. Many thanks must go to the parents and relatives who supported us so well, and enjoyed a few dances

themselves! Also a massive thank you to the brothers and sisters who joined us when we needed extra dancers, you were amazing.



An enormous well done to Y1 who have the highest attendance in school for last week with a brilliant percentage attendance of 99.15%. This is our highest week yet!

Berties Big Walk

As parents/carers/grandparents we all understand the excitement and hard work of bringing a new baby into the world. Sometimes things don't go to plan, sometimes babies come along early and in the case of Bertie Simmonds, very early. Michael Simmonds, Bertie's dad, used to come to Beech Green, leaving in 1997. As way of thanks for the incredible care received from the NHS and Charities supporting families in different situations, Mike is arranging 'Berties Big Walk' to raise money for Scoo-B-Doo and the Grand Appeal. You might have read about this on GloucestershireLive or in The Citizen Newspaper. www.gloucestershirelive.co.uk/news/gloucester-news/moving-images-tell-miracle-baby-1507673

Mike is hoping to raise as much money as possible for the charities that support families with the excellent work the NHS provides. If you can support the appeal by donating, then thank you very much. https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/fundraiser-

display/showROFundraiserPage?userUrl=MikeSimmonds3&pageUrl=1



Scoo-b-doo charity for the benefit of the Special Care Baby Unit of Gloucestershire Royal Hospital - Wallace and Gromit's Grand Appeal also supporting Cots for Tots House, Bristol



The big walk is some 37 miles – we are starting from St. Michael's Neonatal Hospital, Bristol early in the morning of Saturday 19th May 2018. Anyone who would like to join the walk is very welcome (please ask Mrs Simmonds for the route details). Or, if after watching the football and Royal Wedding on the 19th you might like to join us for the last leg along the canal path back to the GRH, Gloucester. We are walking a lot of the canal tow path so please do give us a wave if you see us out there! Thanks for reading this appeal.

Mrs Jenny Simmonds

Sports Relief

Many thanks to everyone who supported the recent Sports Relief challenge. All the money is now in and we have sent off a cheque for £283.42.

PTFA Second Hand Uniform Sale

In the hall THIS FRIDAY from 3 p.m. Many items will be available including summer dresses, skirts, cardigans, trousers, jumpers all for an amazing 50p an item.

Summer Holiday Club

If you would like a place for your child in the Summer Holiday Club, please collect a form from our Breakfast/After School Club or download one from our website <u>www.beechgreennursery.co.uk</u> Places are offered on a first come, first serve basis, the closing date for applications is Friday 6th July 2018. Payment must be sent in with your application form.

PTFA Pamper Event – Friday 18th May 7 to 10 p.m. Stalls offering a range of treatments & gifts



Tickets: £4 in advance or £5 on the evening- Includes entry & welcome drink. Money for tickets can be put in an envelope, in the PTFA drawer. Please write your child's name and class on the envelope.

Did you get your post this week?	
Reception and KS1	KS2
ParentMail: CL3 Boogie Beat Music & Movement	ParentMail: Y5 A message from Crypt School
ParentMail: Y2 Andy Tucker Football Club	ParentMail: Y4 Topic Letter
ParentMail: Singing Competition Reminder	ParentMail: Singing Competition Reminder
ParentMail: Y1 Topic Letter	

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