



Beech Green News

Thursday 21st November

School News



Message from Mrs Pope

Dear parents and carers,

This has been another busy two weeks at Beech Green. I have really enjoyed meeting more of you on the gate, do continue to introduce yourself.

I had the privilege of accompanying the School Council to the remembrance service at St James' Church, on 11th November. The children were an absolute credit to you and to the school. A member of the public commented on how super they were!

We raised a total of £257.29 for Children in Need - thank you for the donations.

In assembly this week, we introduced some new initiatives in school to encourage and reward our children:

House Points

By working hard, doing excellent work or showing great behaviours for example, children will get house points if they're in Year 1-6. These will be via DOJO but all these points now go towards their houses. The points will be cumulative and the winning house will be announced each week in assembly. There will be a star placed on the house point board to show the house that won. This board is near the office. The house with the most stars at the end of term will get a non uniform day. EYFS staff have decided that they will continue with their own reward system as the children are new into school, but will still be able to participate in the non uniform day according to their house.

Class Rewards

All classes will work towards a class reward decided as a class, eg PJ day, a film and pop corn etc. Classes need to earn 50 marbles by working together on great behaviour and attitudes to achieve this. This will encourage class mates to work together!

Recognition Boards

Classes will have a board in classrooms that recognises members of their class for achievements in and out of school and great behaviours.





Achievement

Skyla and Annabelle from Whitebeam class won a cheerleading competition at the weekend. Well done to you both!



Playgrounds before and after school

Please could we remind children and parents, that scooters and bikes should be walked across the playgrounds at the beginning and end of the day to prevent collisions. Also please keep children off the play equipment before and after school.



HAF Programme

The Holiday Activity and Food (HAF) programme, funded by the DfE, is returning once again this winter to provide enriching activities as well as delicious and nutritious food. HAF activities are available for children and young people who receive benefits-related free school meals. This winter they are also extending this offer to any child who may benefit from attending the programme, through our grant funded Holiday Activities Programme (HAP).

From 12pm on 18 November, families will be able to view activities that will be on offer this winter in their district to start planning their winter holiday.

Activities will be marked HAF, HAP, or both.

From 12pm on 2 December, families will be able to book activities using the Children Activities Booking System (CABS). Activities will be available throughout the holiday period.

For more information, please visit:

<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/education-and-learning/holiday-activities-and-food-programme/>

Christmas Dinner Reminder

Everyone should now have received the link to preorder Christmas dinner. KS1 and Reception will be having theirs on Tuesday 10th December and KS2 on Wednesday 11th December. This is an extremely busy time for the kitchen, so we would be grateful if you can have your order in by Thursday 28th November.



Portrait Photos

I have contacted Colorfoto today, and have been assured that the photographs are printed, and are just waiting to be packed and shipped. They should be with us next week. As soon as they arrive, they will be distributed via the classrooms.

NON SCHOOL UNIFORM
FRIDAY 29TH NOVEMBER

SEND YOUR CHILD WITH AN ITEM OF
 FESTIVE FOOD OR £1 TOWARDS OUR
 CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

WIN A HAMPER

£1 PER ENTRY

Please make sure all donations have a sell by date well in to January 2025

SOUP MIXES	SAVOURY SNACKS	WINE
	CHRISTMAS PUDDING	CHUTNEYS
	HENCE PIES	BISCUITS
	STUFFING	DATES
	CHOCOLATES	PICKLED ONIONS
	CHRISTMAS CRACKERS	CHRISTMAS CAKE

MONDAY 25TH NOV - MONDAY 2ND DEC

**Christmas Jumper
 Clothes Donation week**

DURING THIS WEEK DONATE CHRISTMAS
 JUMPERS OR CHRISTMAS CLOTHING THAT
 ARE TO SMALL OR YOU'VE JUST GOT
 BORED OF WEARING

• WE WOULD WELCOME CHILDREN AND ADULT JUMPERS OR
 CHRISTMAS THEMED CLOTHES TO BE DONATED

We then plan to have a Christmas clothes sale

TUESDAY 3RD DECEMBER 3PM

All items £1

So grab yourself and your children a new
 jumper or outfit

Please only donate clothing in wearable condition

Welcome to the Book Corner



The Day the Crayons Quit

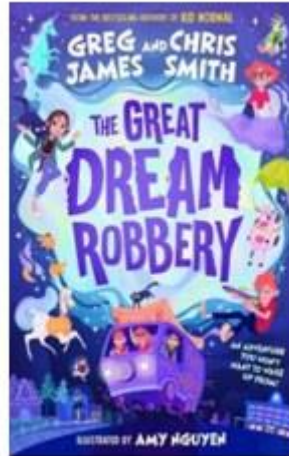
By Drew Daywalt

Duncan just wants to do some colouring - but when he opens his box of crayons, he finds a whole bundle of letters of complaint. His crayons have long been mistreated and they are fed up. Beige is sick and tired of playing second fiddle to Brown; Blue is exhausted after colouring in so many oceans, lakes and rivers; Orange and Yellow can't agree on who is really the colour of the sun; and Peach has a rather embarrassing problem.

The crayons aren't happy! Can Duncan come up with a solution to keep the crayons happy - before they quit colouring for good?

This hilarious book is a real work of art: each beautifully-designed spread features an entertaining handwritten letter from one of the crayon. The amount of text may make this a little challenging for younger readers to tackle alone, but this is a perfect book to share, with enough wit and lively imagination to entertain parents just as much as children. A powerful tribute to creativity, this book will leave children looking at their box of crayons in a completely different way.

Review taken from Read For Good.



The Great Dream Robbery

By Greg James and Chris Smith

Professor Dexter's "What if?" motto has led him to the verge of a huge breakthrough in dream research at Somnia Inc. But six weeks ago, there was a terrible accident that left him trapped in a nightmare that he can't wake up from.

When his daughter Maya visits him in the expensive, secure, private hospital his boss is paying for, all she can do is watch him sleep. Until a boy appears in her dreams suggesting that the "accident" was no such thing and that she alone has the power to rescue her dad.

Featuring a hospital heist, a mattress salesman, hairdressing accessories from a skip, a unicorn singing show tunes, and lots of cows, this witty comedy thriller showcases the resourcefulness and courage of a trio of youngsters known as the Dream Bandits.

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Community News



Online Parenting Courses - Family Lives

Family Lives has produced a series of online parenting courses, to make the challenges of parenting a little easier. If useful please follow the link <https://www.familylives.org.uk/how-we-can-help/online-parenting-courses>. Family Lives offer a confidential and free* helpline service for families in England and Wales (previously known as Parentline). They can be contacted on **0808 800 2222** for emotional support, information, advice and guidance on any aspect of parenting and family life. Their website is also a rich source of useful support and advice. (* Free from landlines and most mobiles)

CATCH
RUN JUMP
PLAY
BALANCE
ENGAGE
THROW

MINI NETBALL CLASSES

NEW GLOUCESTER CLASS!

LEARN, PLAY, SMILE
FOR KIDS AGED 4 - 11

ALL WELCOME!
FREE TASTER SESSION
SATURDAY MORNINGS

L1 & L2 COACHES
DBS CHECKED
TRAINED

EVERY CATCH, EVERY THROW,
WE'RE WORKING AS A TEAM
AND LEARNING LIFELONG
SKILLS

stJ's

SUPERHERO SUNDAY

Come dressed as your favourite
Princess or Superhero to celebrate
CHRIST THE KING



Sunday 24th November 11.30 until 12.15
St James' Church, School Lane, GL2 4PN

Worship across Generations
STORIES, GAMES, HOPE

Dates for this Term

<https://www.beechgreenprimary.co.uk/calendar-dates>

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