



BEECH HILL NEWS



Thursday 5th January 2017

Happy New Year from Beech Hill

Welcome back to a new year at Beech Hill.

Don't forget that school starts at 8.45. Be on time and ready to learn.



HAPPY NEW YEAR

Winter Weather

In the event of extreme weather causing the school to close parents will be informed in the usual manner i.e. via text and the school website as well as an announcement through BBC Radio Leeds, The Pulse radio and Phoenix FM. If you do not receive a text and no announcement is made on the radio please assume the school is open and make your way to school in a safe manner keeping to the main paths around school.

Your child will receive a winter weather pack to do at home in the unfortunate circumstance where the school is having to close due to poor weather. Please ensure your child completes this.
Thank You

Spring Term 2017

School re-opens	Tuesday 3rd January
School closes: half term	Friday 17th February
School re-opens	Monday 27th February
School closes: Easter	Friday 7th April

Summer Term 2017

School re-opens	Monday 24th April
School closes: May Day	Monday 1st May
School closes: half term	Friday 26th May
School re-opens	Monday 12th June
School closes: Midsummer	Monday 25th July

Healthy Lunchboxes

It is important that your child/children have a healthy lunch to sustain them throughout the day. Lunch should supply approximately one third of the daily energy requirements your child needs, as well as a third of protein, carbohydrate, fats, fibre, vitamins and minerals:

Healthy Lunchbox Ideas.

Wholemeal pittas with grated cheese and tomato or soft cheese and cucumber.

Wholemeal sandwiches with tuna, mayo and cucumber.

Pasta twirls with tomato and vegetable sauce.

Brown/white rice salad with tinned tuna, tomatoes, cucumber & spring onion.

Small pot of houmous with wholemeal/white pitta, or breadsticks and chopped cucumber, peppers, carrots, celery, cherry tomatoes.

Tuna or chicken or egg salad with lots of crunchy vegetables.

Tortilla wraps with chicken salad or any of the above fillings.

Chicken drumstick with crunchy salad (peppers, carrots, lettuce, cherry tomatoes)



It's Family Challenge Time!

Let's make other people feel welcome!

This half term the Family Challenge is to make people feel welcome. Beech Hill School would like all families to enjoy quality time with friends and family and so are asking all children to invite a friend (s) over to their house to play and to enjoy a meal together. Children have a right to rest and play and a right to a healthy meal so this is a perfect opportunity for children to enjoy their rights with their friends. It is important for children to play with their friends and to socialise out of school. This challenge will develop your child's communication, speaking and listening and sharing skills.

It will also provide your child with the opportunity to show off their new eating etiquette skills from the Autumn term! As always, please email the photographs of your child and their friend playing and eating together to: admin@beechhillschool.co.uk or alternatively hand the evidence of the completed challenge to your child's class teacher. It would also be nice for your child to write about this memorable experience and we can display this in school. Ready...Steady...Go...The Challenge has begun!

IMPORTANT MESSAGE ABOUT ROAD SAFETY

We have sent a lot of information and requests out to parents about their responsibilities in keeping our children and environment safe by parking and driving sensibly and considerately near to school, particularly during peak periods at the beginning and end of the day.

We are very thankful to the vast majority of drivers who have taken these messages on board (or who were doing so already). There has been an improvement but there remain incidents of poor decision making that put the children at unnecessary risk.

There was a near miss earlier on this week. The child involved could have been seriously injured. We must ask ourselves the question, 'Do we want to be responsible for a child being seriously injured? Would we want this happening to our child?' We all have a collective responsibility for keeping the children at Beech Hill safe. We ask for your further support in making our site and the roads around our school safer for children and adults.

We are receiving almost daily complaints about car's parking illegally, irresponsibly and on the pavements as well as reversing whilst children are crossing the road. We have contacted the Community Enforcement Team who will be patrolling the area.

Please drive and park thoughtfully with regard to our neighbours and pedestrians.
Please use the local car parks available and when possible leave the car at home and walk.

Thank you in anticipation of your support in keeping our children safe.

School Uniform

A reminder that all children should wear the appropriate school uniform, For Winter it's

Boys:

- Green sweatshirt or jumper with school logo.
- White Shirt.
- Grey Trousers.

Girls:

- Green sweatshirt jumper or cardigan with school logo.
- Grey trousers or skirt.
- Grey, or green shalwar kameez.
- Headscarves may be worn.

Appropriate footwear must also be work, these are black shoes, no bright trainers.

Well Done!

Well done to the school council who raised £40 for the Alzheimer's Society at the Winter Fair.



Twitter

We are now using twitter to let you know what's happening day to day at Beech Hill

Please follow us on twitter
@beechhillsch



Attendance News

I would like to remind you all it is extremely important that your child/children attend school every day. By doing so they have the best chance of success to achieve their true potential.

With this in mind, please ensure all family holidays/visits are during school holidays.

Class	Total		
USA3	94.7	Switzerland	96.8
USA4	94.4	Jordan	96.3
USA5	91.7	Canada	95.5
Portugal	95.9	Morocco	96.5
New Zealand	97.4	Mexico	97.3
Fiji	94.5	Qatar	97.8
Brazil	95.9	Singapore	96.5
Madagascar	96.2	Tanzania	97.3
		Nigeria	96.4
		Peru	96.7
		Denmark	97.1
		Totals	96.1

If you are unsure of the holiday dates, please check the school website or alternatively contact the school office. Did you know that 2 weeks of holiday equals 50 hours of lost learning ?

Our attendance is currently at 96% and to achieve our end of year target we need to maintain this.

The table on the left is the attendance data for the whole of the last half term, from September until Christmas.

Kitchen Menu

1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Kidney Bean Curry Savoury Rice or Fish Fillets	Homemade Lamb Meatballs Pitta Bread or Roast Chicken Dinner	Garlic Mushrooms Garlic Bread Or Halal Hotdog sausage Ketchup	Homemade Spicy Chicken Wrap or Spicy Bean Burger	Vegetable Kiev Or Pizza
	4 Cheese Tortellini	Tuna Pasta Bake	Wholemeal Cheese & Tomato Pizza - toma- to & mozzarella topped pizza	Homemade Cheese and Tomato Pie	Fish Fingers with Tomato Ketchup
	Mixed Veg (peas & sweetcorn) / New Potato /	Fresh Sliced Car- rots / Broccoli / Roast Potato /	Sweetcorn Kernels / Spaghetti Hoops Oven Baked Wedges	Broccoli Florets / Diced Carrots / Cream Potatoes	Coleslaw Beans in Tomato Sauce / Herby Fries /
	Tuna Mayo, Sliced Egg & Lettuce Sub Roll	Honey Roast Ham Salad Sub Roll	Chicken Sub Roll	Cheese & Tomato Sub Roll	Sub Roll Assortment
	Baked Jacket Potatoes / with a variety of fillings (Tuna Mayo egg/ must/ fish), (Grated Cheese milk), (Baked Beans /) please note No Butter or Marg Salad Bar/ Home Baked Bread Roll (bread rolls & sliced bread e.g. salad rolls, sandwiches & sub rolls = milk/ egg/ soya/ w.glut), (spread = milk) Sandwich Fillings: Cheddar Cheese = milk/egg/ must, Creamy Tuna = egg/ must/ fish, Egg Mayonnaise = egg/ must				
	Rice Pudding milk and Fruit Jam /	Mixed Fruit Crumble milk/ w.glut & Custard milk	Chocolate Sponge w.glut/milk/eggs & Cus- tard milk	Bakewell Tart with Custard barley/w.glut/custard/ milk	Strawberry Jelly / Parkin w.glut/egg/ milk
	Cold Deserts w/glut/milk/soya/ eggs	Cold Deserts w/glut/milk/soya/ eggs	Cold Deserts w/glut/milk/soya/ eggs	Cold Deserts w/glut/milk/soya/ eggs	Cold Deserts w/glut/milk/soya/eggs
	Fruit Cocktail in Juice /	Fruit Cocktail in Juice /	Fruit Cocktail in Juice /	Fruit Cocktail in Juice /	Fruit Cocktail in Juice /
	Selection of Fresh Fruit/	Selection of Fresh Fruit/	Selection of Fresh Fruit/	Selection of Fresh Fruit/	Selection of Fresh Fruit/
	Fruit Yoghurt milk	Fruit Yoghurt milk	Fruit Yoghurt milk	Fruit Yoghurt milk	Fruit Yoghurt milk
	Biscuit Selection egg/milk/w.glut/ barley/soya	Biscuit Selection egg/ milk/w.glut/barley/soya	Biscuit Selection egg/milk/w.glut/ barley/soya	Biscuit Selection egg/ milk/w.glut/barley/soya	Biscuit Selection egg/ milk/w.glut/barley/soya



CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY



USA5	Martina	Her wonderful attitude and enthusiam when completing activities.
New Zealand	Zara	For coming back to school ready to learn and answer questions.
Portugal	Hajrah	For coming back to school determined to do well in all of her lessons. Keep it up Hajrah!
Brazil	Tobias	For a great new attitude towards his reading! Keep it up!
Morocco	Aditi	For exceptional effort and attitude to all her learning.
Mexico	Ismaeel	For a fantastic change in his attitude towards his learning and behaviour.
Qatar	Ans	For a detailed learning log and some excellent drawings.
Switzerland	Adam	For his excellent attitude towards learning since the holidays.
Jordan	Raheema	For an improved attitude towards her learning and wowing me with one of her answers in class
Canada	Usmaan	For starting 2017 with a fantastic attitude and trying his hardest in all lessons.
Singapore	Mayesha	For producing a super model of the solar system as part of her learning log homework.
Tanzania	Raihan	For an amazing piece of writing, a fabulous PowerPoint for his homework and being an all round super star in class.
Peru	Bushraa	For showing great talent for improvisation in drama.

Have a great weekend
Shameem Hussain, Headteacher

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