



Beech Hill Success **2016 /2017**



We have had another fantastic year with many amazing achievements to celebrate.

Another great result for our grammar school entrance exams. We have three pupils who successfully gained a place. They are: Zain Noor, Rakib Hussain and Urooj Iqbal. Well done and good luck!

Building Work

We continue to improve the school environment and surroundings and are currently working on a five classroom extension to our Year 5 and 6 building. From September Year 4 will be based in this new building. We are looking forward to the completion of this extension.



School Improvement

Another great year for results; our EYFS, Year 1, Year 2 and 6 have worked hard and can be really proud of the results they have achieved. I would like to say a big thank you to all the staff involved for their hard work without whom these results would not be possible.

As a school we continue to strive to improve our systems and processes to ensure that our pupils are making rapid progress particularly because of the demands of the new curriculum which has much higher expectations. We have also been supporting a number of other schools throughout Calderdale.

Behaviour

Two fantastic merit treats are being planned for this week to celebrate the excellent behaviour of our children. This has been commented on by numerous visitors to our school and people who have worked with our children. This year we have 400 children who will receive an Annual merit badge showing they have displayed excellent behaviour and have received 6 merit badges. I am really proud of all of these children; they are excellent role models for Beech Hill.

Fantastic Attendance

This academic year we have achieved our target attendance of 96%. This is an absolutely fantastic achievement and means we have an attendance percentage within the Government's expected national average. Hopefully next year we can maintain this and work towards improving attendance further. It is through teamwork from parents/guardians, staff and children that we have achieved such results.

In order to ensure that our attendance is outstanding next year we must make sure that no holidays are booked during term time; this is absolutely detrimental to your child's education.



Sporting Success

We have had many a sporting achievements including being one of a very few schools in Calderdale achieving the Sainsbury's Active Gold Award for Sport for the second year running.

Once again I am pleased to announce that we have had a fantastic year in all the sport competitions Beech Hill entered, and in most cases, qualified through to the Calderdale finals. In certain sports we also represented Calderdale at County level.



One sport in particular that we always perform excellently in was tennis. This was our eight consecutive year that both of our tennis teams (Mini Red - year 3/4 and Mini Orange - year 5) have won the Calderdale finals and qualified to represent Beech Hill and Calderdale at the West Yorkshire Sainsbury's School Games. This took place in July at Leeds Metropolitan University.

They were joined by our successful Tri Golf Team (Calderdale Champions) who again qualified for the school games for the third year running. This gave the children an experience and fantastic opportunity to take part in a Olympic style event involving 2500 children from schools across four West Yorkshire Authorities.

Our girls U11 cricket team also excelled in the Calderdale final in June and qualified to represent Calderdale at the West Yorkshire county finals on 10th July at Hunslet Nelson Cricket club (Leeds)



Listed below are our sporting achievements since returning back to school last September 2016:

- Cross Country (Qualifying round Family of schools) Ling Bob School. 15 pupils qualified for Calderdale Grand Final.

-Sports Hall Athletics (Qualifying round Family of schools) Sowerby High School. Winners qualified for Calderdale Grand Final (5th year running)

- Mini Red Tennis (Qualifying round) North Bridge Leisure Centre) Group winners qualified for Calderdale Grand Final.

- Mini Orange Tennis (Qualifying round) - Brooksbank School Sports College. Winners. Qualified for Calderdale Grand Final.

- U11's Girls Cricket (Grand Final) Qualified for County Finals.

- Mini Red Tennis - (Calderdale Grand Final) - (runners up) qualified for Sainsbury's West Yorkshire School Games.

- Mini Orange Tennis (Calderdale Grand Final) Winners. Qualified for Sainsbury's West Yorkshire School Games.



- Tri Golf (Calderdale Grand Final) Winners. Qualified for Sainsbury's West Yorkshire School Games.

- High Five Netball (Calderdale Grand Final) Brooksbank School Sports College.

All the hard work and extra training sessions during school holidays and after school have definitely paid off. Well done to all the boys and girls who took part, a fantastic achievement.

I hope you all have a restful summer break and look forward to the start of the new academic year. School closes on Tuesday 25th July at 1.10pm and re-opens on Tuesday 5th September 2017 at 8.45am.