



BEECH HILL NEWS



Thursday 25th January 2018

As you may be aware, our school is part of the Family of Learning Trust. Becoming a trust allows us to work very closely with other schools as well as helping retain our highly skilled and experienced staff within the trust.

Dean Field Primary School has recently joined the trust. I am pleased to inform you that Mrs Pether has been appointed as the Headteacher at Dean Field. She will be starting her new role after February half term. Although she will be based at Dean Field School, she will still be working very closely with myself and the staff at Beech Hill. As both schools are in the same trust, we will be looking for opportunities for staff and pupils from both schools to work together to improve standards in both schools.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Mrs Pether on her appointment and thank her on behalf of the staff and governors for her commitment as a member of our Senior Leadership Team over the last eight years. I greatly appreciate the support she has given me over the last few years as Headteacher and am pleased that we will continue to work together.

Mrs Pether's group will now remain in their classes and taught by their class teacher. Mrs Bowling will be overseeing the lower school (Y1,2 and 3) and will be happy to deal with any queries you may have.

Mrs Hussain

Beech Hill Y5/6 football team 9/1 winners

On Wednesday 24th January the Y5/6 football team competed against Christ Church and played extremely well. We won 9-1, it was a great team performance with Raihan and Amelia playing really well in defense. Desmond had some very safe hands in goal, and made some excellent saves.

A special mention must go out to Ismaiel who managed to score five goals, and was Man of the Match. Danish also played really well, and score two goals and two assists.



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As a school, we are using Seesaw as an online learning journal to help your children in lessons and at home. It is a free app, which you can download from your app store.

All children will have an account, which you can access through any device (smartphone, tablet, iPod, PC). We would appreciate it if you could sign up and follow your child's account as your input to their learning is vital.

It means that you can see what your child has been learning when they upload their work and you can comment on what they have been doing. If you have any issues with accessing the app, please see your child's class teacher who will help you set it up.



Dates for your diary



January

30th - Year 1 library visit

February

6th - Year 1 library visit

13th - Year 1 library visit

16th - School closes for half term

26th - School re-opens 8.45am

Is this a dagger I see before me?

Over the past two weeks, our year six children along with our new friends from Deanfield school have taken part in two Macbeth themed workshops.

These were led by professional actor Alex Fellows with the support of his daughter (and previous drama teacher here) Miss Christabel and our very own Mrs Benfield.

The workshops gave our children the opportunity to really delve deeply into the story of Macbeth and will support their subsequent English work whilst also developing their performance skills.

As Macbeth is now a text study at GCSE, we feel that we have given your children the foundations they need to succeed when they are in Year 11.

If you are a year 6 parent, please do look at the photos, video clips and written work that we have and will be sharing on Seesaw whilst we study this amazing Shakespeare play.

Handwriters of the week

The children below have demonstrated beautiful handwriting this week and have been chosen out of their entire year group to receive the 'Handwriter of the Week' award! Congratulations!

- Year 1 - Farukh Thoseef (Portugal)
- Year 2 - Is-Haq Abdullah (Nigeria)
- Year 3 - Tobias Wasim (Morocco)
- Year 4 - Misbah Ahmed (South Africa)
- Year 5 - Nafisa Mahmood (Singapore)

A date for your diaries...

6th February is Safer Internet Day.



COFFEE MORNING

All parents welcome! Every Friday from 8.45am-9.45am.



Relax, have a chat, hot drinks and refreshments.

Please meet Mandi or Marie at the school office. Thank you.

We will be holding a workshop for parents of children in years 4, 5 and 6 around keeping your children safe on the internet. The session will run from 2-3pm. A letter will be coming home with the children this week. Please send the reply slip in ASAP if you would like a place in the workshop.

Thanks, Miss Jordan and Miss Badley.

Period: 15/01/2018 to 19/01/2018



	Poor attendance, I am very concerned.
	Below expectations, I am worried.
	Above the national average, well done.
	Best chance of success, well done.

Group	% Attend
USA3	88.3
USA4	97.4
USA5	92.1
Fiji	96.0
New Zealand	90.9
Portugal	95.6
Switzerland	92.9
Nigeria	87.8
Canada	97.3
Morocco	93.8
Jordan	94.8
Mexico	86.4
Australia	100.0
South Africa	86.7
France	90.4
Singapore	90.3
Tanzania	94.7
Denmark	95.2
China	95.2
Egypt	98.4
Totals	93.2

Congratulations to Australia for achieving 100% attendance, I hope you enjoyed your treat. I am looking forward to seeing more of our classes achieve 100% attendance this half term.

If your child is absent from school please contact the school office on 01422 345004 before 9.00am. It is important we are aware of the reason for your child/children's absence so we can mark this correctly when completing the class register. This will avoid any absences being recorded as unauthorised.

If you have any concerns or questions surrounding your child/children's attendance please do not hesitate to contact me.

Many Thanks
Farhat Hussain
Attendance Officer

Kitchen Menu 1

1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hot Meal Option	Meat Free Roll 5,10	Chickens Dinner Gravy 30	Savoury Mince Yorkshire Pudding 5, 12	Chicken Nuggets 4,5	Pizza 4,5,10,12
	Cheese Tortellini 5,10,12	Quorn Cottage Pie 10,12	Quorn Sausage 5,10,12	Cheese & Onion Rolls 4,4,5,10,12	Jumbo Fish Fingers 2,5,12
Vegetarian	Peas, Corn, Chips	Carrots, Broccoli Roast Potatoes	Cauliflower, Cabbage, Mashed Potatoes 10	Spaghetti + Wedges 5	Baked Beans Potato Puffs
Subs/ Wraps	Tuna + Cucumber Sub 5,10	Chicken Tikka Wraps 3,5	Egg +Cress Sub 5,10	Cheese & Tomato Sub 5,10	Sub Roll Assortment 2,3,4,5,10,12
Shared Every day	Jacket Potato/Sandwiches – Served every day				
Dessert	Creamy Rice Pudding 10	Chocolate + Pear Sponge Custard 5,10,12	Apple Flapjack Custard 5,10	Gingerbread Custard 5,10,12	Cheesecake 5,10
	Chocolate Whip 4,5,10,12	Jelly	Crispy Buns	Strawberry Whip 4,5,10,12	Ice Cream 10
	Biscuits 4,5,10,12 Fruit Salad Yoghurt 10	Biscuits 4,5,10,12 Fruit Salad Yoghurt 10	Biscuits 4,5,10,12 Fruit Salad Yoghurt 10	Biscuits 4,5,10,12 Fruit Salad Yoghurt 10	Biscuits 4,5,10,12 Fruit Salad Yoghurt 10



CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY



Parents and Carers of children in our Gold Book Assembly are invited to attend tomorrow's assembly. Please arrive on time for assembly starting at 9.10am and leave after the assembly has finished to support all children. Thank you.

Year 1

Portugal	Amaya	For some fantastic work on number bonds to 10.
New Zealand	Tahaa	For reading at home every evening and making Miss Grba very proud!
Fiji	Mohammed	For fantastic maths skills and knowledge of number bonds.

Year 2

Switzerland	Aaliyah	For producing some great work in science.
Nigeria	Aayan	For writing an excellent set of instructions.
Canada	Armeen	For being an excellent role model and member of Class Canada.
Canada	WHOLE CLASS	For their enthusiasm and excitement on our trip to the library this week, and for being excellent Beech Hill ambassadors!

Year 3

Morocco	Sophie	For always having a fantastic attitude to learning and giving 100 per cent in every single lesson.
Jordan	Sadiah	For her amazing wrecked laboratory description!
Mexico	Yaseen	For going that extra mile with his homework.

Year 4

South Africa	Everest	For producing a well thought out newspaper article about Shackleton's journey.
Australia	Diya	For trying incredibly hard to reduce the size of her handwriting and to ensure that it is joined and has entry strokes for each letter.
France	Barbara	For increased confidence in trying to use her English in school.

Year 5

Singapore	Abhay	For an amazing start to Beech Hill!
Denmark	Alina	Great improvement in mathematics!
Miss Wilcock's Maths Group		Farwah , for amazing work converting remainders into fractions and decimals.

Year 6

Egypt	Harris	For being an excellent peer tutor in maths!
China	Alisha	For super in maths over the last couple of weeks!