



BEECH HILL NEWS



Friday 22nd May 2020

Dear parents/carers,

What fantastic home learning we have seen on Seesaw over the last few weeks! The children have really got to grips with the activities posted by teachers and have been imaginative and creative in making their own projects for themselves too. We would like to thank all the adults and family members at home who have been supporting the children with their school work; this will really benefit them when we can eventually get back into classes as normal.

It has been a very challenging time for all schools in Calderdale with plans for reopening being put into place and then further uncertainty about our actual return date coming from the letter we received from the council earlier in the week. Rest assured that we will only open when we feel it is fully safe to do so and will have all measures in place in line with government guidance. We thank parents for their cooperation and understanding despite the many messages that we are having to share with you on a regular basis. If your child is in reception, year 1 or year 6 and you have not yet confirmed whether or not you would intend to send them back to school next half term, please let us know what your intentions would be. This will really help us with planning for reopening, even though we cannot guarantee a specific date at this moment in time.

The next two weeks will be our half term holiday and, as such, teachers will not be posting work packs or additional maths and English tasks on Seesaw. In order to assist with entertaining children at home, teachers will still post activities to help to keep everybody busy. They will be checking Seesaw from time to time but not as regularly as term time so please be patient if you have any queries. I would like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to all our staff for their hard work over the last couple of months; I am very proud of the way the Beech Hill community have pulled together.

Mrs Hussain

On Wednesday 20th May, it was 'Thank a Teacher Day' and the whole of the staff at Beech Hill were overwhelmed with the messages, cards, videos and pictures that were sent to us on Seesaw and through email. Here are a few of the many messages that were sent in. The messages made us all smile and we are all very grateful!



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Thought of the Week

Are computer games good for you?



Mrs Bowling's Family Emoji Quiz answers from last week

1. Winnie the Pooh
2. Up
3. Jungle Book
4. Mary Poppins
5. Bugs Life
6. Lady and the Tramp
7. Princess and the Frog
8. Mulan
9. Frozen
10. Bolt

How did you do?

Mrs Bowling's Family Close Up Quiz

Can you identify everyday objects by these close-up pictures? The first one has been done for you. Happy quizzing!

1.  A paint brush



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Recipe of the Week

Veg and Cheese rolls

Click the link above to see a recipe which you can make easily at home! You can add any fillings you like- this one uses cheese and beetroot among other things. Why not have a go at home? Send a picture to your teacher on Seesaw if you make this or you can send a picture of any other cooking you do at home! Cooking can help with lots of skills!



meet the TEACHER

Name: Miss Whitton

Class: France

Favourites

Movie: Cool Runnings

Children's Book: Journey to the River Sea by Eva Ibbotson

Hobby: Watching Manchester United

Subject: History

Food: Nandos

Drink: 7up

Season: Summer

Flower: Sunflowers

Did you always want to be a teacher?

Part of me has always wanted to be a teacher but I did consider other occupations too. I thought about becoming an air hostess and even had some initial training for this as I was really interested in travel and tourism.

My mum and my granny always said that I would become a teacher and they were right!

If you could travel anywhere, where would you go?

If I could go anywhere, I would go to Bali. It looks absolutely beautiful and there's lots to explore. There are mountainous areas with greenery, scenic lakes, waterfalls, flower gardens, volcanoes, beaches and rivers.

Who inspires you and why?

I am inspired by lots of people who have fought hard for what they believe in and for equal rights. My mum and dad have also really inspired me. My mum is the strongest, kindest, most supportive person that I know. She always puts other people first and is always there when I need her. My dad taught me how important it is to work hard and to never give up.

What has been your favourite thing to do in lockdown?

During lockdown, I have enjoyed going on local walks in the countryside. It has been lovely to explore areas that are close to home that I didn't know were there!

What are you looking forward to most when lockdown is over?

I'm looking forward to lockdown ending so that I can get back to school and see all of my amazing colleagues and the wonderful pupils of Beech Hill School. I can't wait to spend time with my family again and go out for some lovely meals.





Leaderboard for the last 7 days

These are the 5 children with the most correct answers on Numbots in the last week! We have a new leader! Well done!

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| 1. Sai Podapati - Portugal | 1718 correct |
| 2. Dyuati Devineni - New Zealand | 1511 correct |
| 3. Nirvigna Kodali - New Zealand | 955 correct |
| 4. Muhammed Ur-Rehman- Portugal | 910 correct |
| 5. Mohammed Hasnath - Fiji | 700 correct |



Leaderboard for the last 7 days

These are the 5 children with the most correct answers on TTRockstars in the last week! We have a new leader! Well done!

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| 1. Samee Hussain - Tanzania | 8,638 correct |
| 2. Chakrika Valluru - Mexico | 7,856 correct |
| 3. Sohana Podapati - Tanzania | 7,079 correct |
| 4. Pratham Patil- Mexico | 3,386 correct |
| 5. Pranav Patil - Morocco | 3,378 correct |



Well done to all of the adults who played this week. You are almost as good as the children now!

Teachers' Leaderboard

Amount of correct answers this week

- Miss Asma
- Mrs Sturmel
- Mr Hussain
- Miss Zaeab
- Miss Opie

Well done again Miss Asma!

Lots of the children are still much quicker than us! We need to practise more in order to speed up!

Teachers' Leaderboard

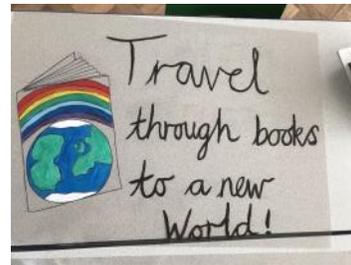
Quickest Studio Speed

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| 1. Miss Waddington | 0.86 secs |
| 2. Mrs Shaheen | 1.05 secs |
| 3. Miss Whitton | 1.28 secs |
| 3. Miss Cutler | 1.29 secs |
| 4. Miss Opie | 1.32 secs |

Well done to Speed Queen Miss Waddington!

Display for Calderdale Libraries

We were asked by Calderdale Library Service if we would like to complete some artwork that can be displayed in their library windows to help to spread a 'feel-good factor' in the local area. We are incredibly impressed by the creativity of the children from Beech Hill and Dean Field who have worked on these in school. They have chosen inspirational messages and incorporated favourite story characters. Gillian Rice, who works for Calderdale, has wasted no time in displaying them at the Central Library - please look out for them the next time you are in Halifax! Special thanks to Mrs Haigh for leading the project and all the other staff who helped too.



THANK YOU!

We would just like to say a massive thank you to the children who helped to create the lovely artwork which is now on display at Halifax Central Library. We are sure the display will make people smile as they walk or drive past, it is definitely worth a look and would certainly brighten your day. THANK YOU Sara Cockcroft and all those involved in the project





Virtual Gold Book



Nursery

2 Year olds:

- Momin Kessar For joining in with many activities every week.
- Aairah-Noor Ali For enjoying all activities , especially painting a bear.

Nursery:

- Amaima Waqas For trying really hard with her numbers and also completing lots of activities.
- Ismaeel Hussain For always completing all the tasks on seesaw and trying really hard with his letter and number formation

Reception

USA 3:

- Ameeq Sultan For trying hard with his reading.

USA 4:

- Charlie Sadler For creating a giant beanstalk and many other masterpieces

USA 5:

- Yousaf Majid For practising his reading at home

Year 1

New Zealand:

- Dyuati Devineni For super home learning about the solar system.

- Nirvigna Kodali For some fantastic home learning.

Portugal:

- Soha Shaikh For being enthusiastic with all her home learning and completing lots of creative pieces of work.

Fiji:

- Zahra Hussain For a brilliant step by step baking video and for consistently trying hard with her online learning!

Year 2

Switzerland:

- Haashim Shahmawaz For completing all tasks on My Maths and being a super speller!

Jordan:

- Maryam Mushtaq For taking her learning of shape to the next level by creating a 3D mosque!



Virtual Gold Book



Year 3

Mexico:	Habibah Rahman	For some excellent work at home
Morocco:	Khadijah Rahman	For working really hard and completing lots of home learning tasks
	Noor Iman Zahid	For an outstanding week of home learning

Year 4

Egypt:	Accalia Scott-Thompson	For producing some wonderful work this week focussing on food and keeping the body healthy!
China:	Hadder Bukhari	For busily completing a wide range of seesaw work and putting in lots of effort. Keep it up
	Knz Abukadrah	For completing lots of seesaw work to a high standard, including editing and answering follow up questions. Keep it up ☑
Tanzania:	Samee Hussain	For being on the whole school Times Tables Rockstars leaderboard top 5 every week so far! What an achievement!

Year 5

Singapore:	Akshitha Togalla	For achieving Level B on Reading Plus and sharing lots of activities on Seesaw!
France:	Naeem Islam	For his continuous enthusiasm for the home learning activities and his creative ideas.

Year 6

Australia :	Fahima Begum	For completing lots of tasks on Seesaw this week
	Punyashlok Purohit	For creating a webpage using html code!
South Africa:	Amrutha Pagadala	For an excellent effort in all Seesaw activities this week but especially for her information page about the digestive system and showing off her sewing skills.
Peru:	Owais Sajid	For working hard over the last few weeks to complete the work set on Seesaw.
<u>Staff entry-</u>	All teaching staff	For providing some amazing home learning tasks over the last term