



BEECH HILL NEWS

Friday 9th September 2022



Queen Elizabeth II

(21st April 1926 - 8th September 2022)

On Thursday 8th September, at the age of 96, Her Royal Highness Queen Elizabeth II died peacefully surrounded by her family at Balmoral Castle.

In 1952 at the age of 25, Elizabeth was crowned Queen when her father, King George VI, died.



Queen Elizabeth's reign spanned 70 years and is the longest of any British monarch. Throughout this time there have been many significant events such as her coronation in 1953 and her Silver, Golden, and Diamond Jubilees. Most recently, we celebrated the Queen's Platinum Jubilee which was a special occasion for us all.



Queen Elizabeth married her husband Philip in 1947 and they went on to have 4 children. Charles III, Anne (Princess Royal), Andrew (Duke of York) and Edward (Earl of Wessex).

It was fair to say that Queen Elizabeth dedicated her life to her country by serving in the British Army when she was young and by always carrying out public duties right up until her death.



We will always remember this remarkable lady with fondness and a warm heart!



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INVESTORS
IN FAMILIES

INVESTORS IN PUPILS

Healthy School

It has been a fantastic start to the new academic year and has been lovely to see everyone back to school ready to learn. However, we have noticed there are still a number of families routinely arriving late.



School starts at 8.45 a.m. every day. Children need to be in their class line at 8.45 a.m. so that they can start their lessons promptly. Children who arrive late are greatly disadvantaged because they miss starting the day with their peers and the beginning of lessons. This means that they are often unsettled and confused about tasks.

It is also very important that children establish good routines and habits in preparation for the rest of their lives. Punctuality is a life skill that they need to develop whilst they are young.

It is essential that you ensure that your child arrives at school on time to prevent disruption to your child's own learning and that of others.

We are required to monitor children's punctuality and attendance. On-going lateness (after the class register has been taken) is classified as an unauthorised absence and this is contrary to The Education Act. We understand that there may be rare occasions when you are unavoidably late due to unforeseen circumstances and on these occasions please make sure that you contact the school office to inform us when you will arrive.

The gate for entering the school site will be closed at 8.50am and families arriving after this will need to come through the school office. Staff at the exit gate on Mount Pleasant Avenue will not allow you to enter via this gate.

Please help us ensure your child is punctual and ready to learn. Thank you for your continued support.

Measles, Chicken Pox and Shingles

IMPORTANT NOTICE

One of our pupils is receiving medical treatment which means their immune system is suppressed. This puts the pupil at serious risk if exposed to measles, chicken pox or shingles.

The best way to protect a pupil from measles is for all pupils to be immunised against measles. Please discuss measles immunisation with your GP if your child is not already vaccinated. If you suspect your child has measles, you should let the school know immediately.

Our pupil is also at risk from chicken pox and would need to be given an injection within three days of contact. Please let us know immediately if you suspect that your child has chicken pox. It is also very important that you let us know if anyone in your household has shingles.

Our pupil is at greater risk from diarrhoea and vomiting infections; may we please remind you not to send your child back into school until they have been free of symptoms for 48 hours. This is for everyone's benefit, including staff.

Your own child is not at risk whatsoever from this situation. However, the health and wellbeing of our pupil who has a suppressed immune system may be at serious risk. We depend on the cooperation of all parents and know that we can rely on your help.



The newsletter will be uploaded to Seesaw every week; however, if you would prefer to receive a paper copy of the newsletter please email

admin@beechhillschool.co.uk

or let the class teacher know.

Thanks

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Beech Hill Values

This year at Beech Hill, we will be focusing on 8 core values.

These values are something that we feel our pupils need to learn and demonstrate throughout all aspects of life.

Each half term, we will have a focus value and we will be rewarding children for demonstrating excellence in each value. We encourage you to help your children to demonstrate these values at home and in the wider community. We also welcome you to let us know different ways that your children have demonstrated the different values.

Please see below for each half term's focus value.

Autumn 1 - **Honesty**

Autumn 2 - **Tolerance and Respect**

Spring 1 - **Determination and Perseverance**

Spring 2 - **Appreciation**

Summer 1- **Friendship**

Summer 2 - **Kindness**



This half term's value is: **Honesty**



"Honesty is the fastest way to prevent a mistake from turning into a failure."

Nuts

Please can we make all parents aware that Beech Hill is a nut and peanut free school.

We have a number of children within school with severe nut allergies and we ask that you are mindful about the ingredients in products when preparing your child's packed lunch.

May we also point out that Nutella or chocolate spread contains nuts so we ask that you do not use this in your children's sandwiches.

Sending products containing nuts into school could put other children's health and lives at risk.

Thank you for your cooperation.



Secondary School Admissions 2023

Apply online now for Secondary School 2023 places for children born between 1st September 2011 and 21st August 2012.

The deadline for applications is **Monday 31st October 2022**.

To apply, and for more information, please follow the link below:

<https://www.calderdale.gov.uk/v2/residents/education-and-learning/schools/admissions/>



Coats

Please ensure that you send your child into school with a coat.

We appreciate that the weather is still reasonably warm but we are also having rain showers and they will need a coat to keep them dry if it rains at play time.

Thank you for your cooperation



Beech Hill School Kitchen

Our Salad Bar is back!!! Pre-Covid we used to have a salad bar for the children where they could choose their own salad to go with their main meal but due to Covid this had to be stopped. We are happy to announce that the salad bar is back open for the children to enjoy.

We have added some new homemade recipes to the menu this year such as macaroni cheese, vegetarian meatball curry, spicy kebabs and freshly made onion bhajis. We have some old favourites on the menu which are always a hit and we have added some new jacket potato fillings which will be available on a daily basis.

Please encourage your children to try new things - we are sure they will enjoy everything they try!

We are always open to new menu ideas so if you have any suggestions please email kitchen@beechhillschool.co.uk.



Top left: Salad bar

Bottom left: Homemade keema curry, freshly made onion bhajis and samosas, savoury rice.

Top right: Homemade marble sponge and custard, homemade biscuits

Dinner Menu w/c Monday 12th September

2		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hot Meal Option	Southern Fried Chicken Strips (1, 5) Fresh Coleslaw (5)	Homemade Spagetti Bolognaise 5, 10	Battered Fish 2, 5	Homemade Chicken Curry (3, 8) Naan Bread (5)	Assorted Pizzas (Cheese and Tomato, Vegetable, Spicy Beef) 5, 8, 10	
	Quorn Dippers 5	Mac 'n' Cheese Croquettes 5, 10	Homemade Cheese and Onion Pie 5, 10, 12	Samosas (5) Homemade Onion Bhajis (5, 10, 12) Savoury Rice	Homemade Cheese and Broccoli Pasta 5, 10, 12	
Vegetables	Skin-on Fries Beans Sweetcorn	Roast Potatoes Mixed Veg Peas	Chips Mushy Peas Sweetcorn	Wedges (8) Broccoli Peas	Ziggy Fries Beans	
Served Daily	Jacket Potatoes with various fillings (Homemade Chicken Tikka, Bolognaise and Chilli, Tuna, Cheese, Beans) Salad Bar Selection of Sandwiches/Subs/Wraps Allergies for the daily items available on request					
Dessert	Chocolate Doughnuts 4, 5, 10, 12, 14	Chocolate Sponge 5, 10, 12 Custard 5, 10 Strawberry Swirls 10	Cupcakes 5, 10, 12	Bakewell Tart (5, 10, 12) Custard (8, 10)	Assorted Fresh Baking 5, 10, 12	
	Cornflake Buns 2, 5		Assorted Biscuits 5, 10, 12	Jelly	Chocolate Ice Cream 10	

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