



BEECH HILL NEWS



Friday 16th June

Eid-Adha Festival

Come and join us on **Sunday 25th June** for the launch of the official partnership between Beech Hill School & 51st Pellon Scouts.

Gates open at 3pm and entry to the festival is free, so bring your friends and family along for an afternoon full of fun. We hope to see you all there!

Scouts
51st Pellon Scout Group

BEECH HILL SCHOOL

Sun 25th June 2023
3pm to 7pm

Eid Jamboree

A family event for the whole community

We will also be launching the Official Partnership between 51st Pellon Scout Group & Beech Hill School

Funfair - Face Painting - Food - Stalls - Scout Games
Ice Cream - Mehndi - Archery - Arts & Crafts
Penalty Shootout - Tug of War Challenge and much more....

FREE ENTRY

Venue: Beech Hill Primary School,
4 Mount Pleasant Ave,
Halifax, HX1 5TN

For more information or to book a stall,
Please contact the school office on
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Important Dates

Mon 19th & Tue 20th June - Y3 trip to Murton Park

Thu 22nd June - Family Learning Session

Sunday 25th June - Eid-Al-Adha Festival

Tue 27th June - KS2 Girls' Football Tournament

Tue 27th & Fri 29th June - Y5 Parent Lunch

Tue 4th July - Boys' Football Tournament

Wed 5th, Thu 6th & Thu 13th July - Y4 Bronte Museum Trip

Fri 7th July - Y6 Transition Day

Tue 11th July - Y2 trip to St Anne's

Wed 12th July - Y5 London trip

Tue 18th July - Family Learning KS1

Wed 19th July - Parents' Evening

Thu 20th July - Merit Treat



Refugee Week 19th – 25th June 2023

Next week, we will be celebrating Refugee Week with a range of workshops and activities.

We are pleased to be offering parent and child workshops based on compassion, this years' theme.

To help raise funds for The Calderdale Valley of Sanctuary, we will be asking children to come non-uniform on **Friday 23rd June 2023** with a recommended donation of 50p.

We look forward to seeing you then!

Thank you for your continued support.



"No act of kindness,
no matter how small,
is ever wasted"

Beech Hill School Values

The core value this term is **KINDNESS**

We encourage you to help your children to demonstrate **kindness** at home and in the wider community.

We also welcome you to let us know different ways that your children have demonstrated **kindness**.





TT Rockstars Most Improved Accuracy

Year 2 - Aneesa Shahnawaz (Morocco)

Year 3 - Sabah Noor (Jordan)

Year 4 - Aryaan Hussain (Australia)

Year 5 - Muhammad Hussain (Denmark)

Year 6 - Anne Al Baker (Tanzania)

Class with the highest average of correct answers per person

China

House Points

These children have all been awarded a **bronze** certificate for receiving **50** House Points.

Mustafa Haseeb

These children have all been awarded a **silver** certificate for receiving **100** House Points.

Abubaker Arshad
Charlie Sadler

Attendance

It is important that children attend school regularly in order to achieve the best that they can. Missing days unnecessarily has a negative impact on your child's learning and reduces their chance of success. Please support your child by ensuring they attend school regularly.

If you have any concerns or questions regarding your child's attendance, then please do not hesitate to come and speak to me. You can contact me on 01422 345004 or come into the school office to make an appointment.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Mrs Farhat Hussain



Reception trip to Manor Heath Jungle Experience

This half term, Reception's topic is 'Down at the bottom of the garden' where we will study mini beasts and plants. This week the children visited Manor Heath Jungle experience. They had a fantastic time and saw many insects, reptiles and amphibians such as fish, butterflies and terrapins. They described the colours and textures of plants they could see and feel.



Measles

This year, there has been a national increase in measles. Although there are no cases in Calderdale at present, vaccination rates are low in some areas, which means that if we do get a case it is more likely to spread. Measles can be very serious for some people, but the good news is that it can be avoided by getting a vaccination.

If you're not sure if you have been vaccinated, you can check your records on the NHS app or you can check your children's vaccination record in their red book. Alternatively, you can check with your GP.

If you or your family have not been vaccinated it is not too late. Contact your GP and they will book you in for a first dose followed by the second dose 2 months later to ensure you are fully protected.

Find out more about measles here: [Measles - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](http://www.nhs.uk)

Find out more about measles vaccination here: [Childhood Vaccinations - Essential information :: West Yorkshire Healthier Together \(wyhealthiertogether.nhs.uk\)](http://wyhealthiertogether.nhs.uk)



Dinner Menu w/c Monday 19th June

		BEECH HILLS SCHOOL				
		School Meals Menu - Week 2				
2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
Hot Meal Option	Chicken Nuggets 4, 5	Homemade Lasagne 5, 10 Or Battered Fish 2, 5	Full English Breakfast Sausage 5 Or Quorn Sausage 5	Roast Chicken Dinner Gravy	Pizza 5, 8, 10	
	Mac 'n' Cheese Croquettes 5, 10	Loaded Potato Skins 10	Omelette 10, 12 Hash Brown 5, 8, 10, 12	Samosas 5 Homemade Savoury Rice	Vege Burger 5	
Vegetables	Criss-Cuts 5 Beans Veg Sticks	Chips Mushy Peas Sweetcorn	Beans Tomatoes	Roast Potatoes Broccoli Mixed Veg	Potato Cubes 5 Beans	
Served Daily	Jacket Potatoes with various fillings (Chicken Tikka, Bolognaise, Chilli, Tuna, Cheese, Beans) Salad Bar Selection of Sandwiches/Subs/Wraps					
Dessert	Jam Doughnuts 4, 5, 10, 12, 14	Marble Sponge 5, 10, 12 Custard 8, 10	Pancakes 5, 10, 12 Syrup	Ginger Sponge 5, 10, 12 Custard 8, 10	Assorted Fresh Baking 5, 10, 12	
	Chocolate Swirls 10	Assorted Biscuits 5, 10, 12	Jelly	Meringue with Fruit and Cream 4, 10, 12	Vanilla Ice Cream 10	

If you require an allergy list please email kitchen@beechhillschool.co.uk

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one of many issues which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

ANIME

Anime, which originates from Japan, is currently one of the most popular sources of entertainment in the world. This style of animation goes back to the mid 20th century, with a broad audience ranging from children to adults. Known for its epic stories, anime often crosses over with video games and other avenues of pop culture via adaptations or spin-offs – such as *Cyberpunk: Edgerunners*, an anime web series based on the popular video game, *Cyberpunk 2077*. The most common intersect, however, is manga: a form of graphic novel from which most anime is adapted.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

Some people assume that anime is safe for children purely because it's animation. However, a large amount is actually geared towards adults, often featuring swearing, graphic violence and nudity. Many anime series follow dark storylines, such as *Cyberpunk: Edgerunners*, which has swiftly become known for its extreme gore, sexual content and disturbing depictions of mental health conditions.

COMMON CROSSOVERS

It's easy for children to get drawn into anime through its many crossovers into video games, such as *Fortnite* and *Call of Duty*, while anime art styles are often used for other products, due to its popularity. Titles like the *RPG Genshin Impact* may look quite cute and accessible, but its loot-box mechanics can introduce young players to behaviours that have much in common with gambling.

DECEPTIVE APPEARANCE

It's easy to mistake anime graphics for a sign of harmless, child-friendly content. This style (big eyes, colourful hair and cute voices), however, can disguise some extremely adult themes. *Yandere Simulator*, for example, strongly resembles a child's game at face value, thanks to its art style, but in reality it features incredibly dark themes such as murder, kidnapping and torture.

ROBLOX REPRODUCTIONS

There are hundreds of user-created Roblox games which take their inspiration from anime and manga. While many of these titles will be perfectly age appropriate, there are some that prefer to focus on the storylines of adult and horror anime. *Death Note*, for example (based on the manga and anime series of the same name) would probably be extremely disturbing for most younger players.

MATURE MANGA

The majority of anime is adapted from manga: a form of Japanese comic book. Manga usually features an age rating on the back cover, and it's worth bearing in mind that just because it's a comic, that doesn't mean it's suitable for youngsters. In fact, most popular manga leans heavily towards darker subject matter, which is unquestionably aimed at an adult audience.

ADULT THEMES

Hentai is a type of manga, anime and video game which revolves around characters engaging in explicit sexual encounters. While anime of this kind is usually only found on pornography sites, some gaming platforms – such as Steam – do allow the sale of these titles (referred to as 'H-Games' in the community) and even feature them on the front of their store page when sales are on.

Advice for Parents & Carers

DO YOUR RESEARCH

Despite all the problematic content, there's still a lot of anime out there which is completely child friendly. *Pokémon* and *One Piece* are all long-running anime shows which have family-friendly stories and content. Make sure you check for age ratings and content warnings on streaming platforms when deciding if a particular anime series is suitable for your child.

WATCH WITH YOUR CHILD

Anime covers a multitude of topics, so it's easy to find something that the whole family can enjoy. Anime shows typically involve action and adventure, superheroes, romance, comedy and much more. Watching this content alongside your child isn't only a way to spend quality time together – it will also help you to spot quite quickly if there's potential for any difficult topics to arise in the show.

IT'S NOT JUST TV

Anime is most often in the format of a TV series, but it is also presented as films. Studio Ghibli is often referred to as 'the Japanese Disney' due to the quality and number of films they produce. Most of their movies are fine for children, though they often feature more mature subject matter than western animation: *Grave of the Fireflies*, for instance, is set in Japan during the Second World War.

CHECK GAMES' FEATURES

Often, crossovers with video games simply involve using anime characters as 'skins' to modify the appearance of characters while playing (as in *Fortnite*, for example). If your child's interested in an anime-inspired game that you're unfamiliar with, however, look online at the game's features and for any content warnings to gain a clearer idea of what your child might be exposed to.

Meet Our Expert

Daniel Upscombe is a writer specialising in technology, video gaming, virtual reality and Web3. He has also written 18 guidebooks for children, covering games such as *Fortnite*, *Apex Legends*, *Valorant*, *Roblox* and *Minecraft*. With work published by the likes of *PC Gamer*, *Kotaku*, *Pocket Gamer* and *VGT4*, he has reviewed more than 50 games and products over the past year.



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