



BEECH HILL NEWS



Friday 30th June

Eid Jamboree

On Sunday 25th June, we held the Eid Jamboree at Beech Hill School.

This event was the launch of our partnership with the 51st Pellon Scouts Group and the event was a huge success.

We would like to say a massive thank you to all who attended and supported us on the day.



Eid Jamboree Tombola and Raffle

We still have lots of prizes left from the school **tombola** stall that was at the Eid Jamboree on Sunday.

If children would like to try and win one of the 60 plus prizes still available, they can bring £1 to school on any day next week and have a go.



£1 for 5 tickets. Winning tickets will end in 0 or 5.

We will keep the tombola open until the end of term or until all the prizes have been won.

We are extending the **raffle** draw too. If parents or children would like the chance to win one of these amazing prizes then please bring **£1 to the school office to get your strip of tickets.**

Raffle prizes are:

- Family Admission Ticket to Eureka Children's Museum
- £25 Voucher for Bengal Aroma Restaurant in Huddersfield
- Ted Baker Handbag
- Radley Handbag
- Baylis & Harding Slipper Collection
- Milk Tray Chocolates
- Biscuit Collection
- Luxury Fragrance Diffuser
- Candle Holders
- Hot Chocolate Set



The raffle will be drawn on Monday 17th July.

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TT Rockstars Most Improved Accuracy

Year 2 - Hafsah Bibi (Canada)

Year 3 - Sahara Ismail (Jordan)

Year 4 - Berfin Darioglu (Australia)

Year 5 - Taanvi Chandra (Denmark)

Year 6 - Pranav Patil (Tanzania)

Class with the fastest average speed

Tanzania

Year 5 Parent Lunch

On Tuesday, we were joined for lunch by some of our year 5 parents.

It was lovely to see everyone enjoying their meals together! Feedback from parents was really positive and everyone enjoyed the selection of food that was on the menu. It has been wonderful to see so many parents joining us for events such as this one over the course of the year.



Thank you as always for your support



Goodbye & Welcome

Last week, we said goodbye to Miss Maryam. Miss Maryam has been an integral part of the nursery team for over a year but is now moving on to pastures new.

Thank you for everything Miss Maryam - you will be greatly missed but we wish you every success in your new career.

With a goodbye though comes a huge welcome.

Miss Adey has now joined the Beech Hill Team and will be taking over from Miss Maryam in the nursery unit. We are all looking forward to working with you.



Non-Uniform Day

On Friday 23rd June, we had a non-uniform day in support of 'Schools of Sanctuary' charity.

We raised a whopping £186.74.

Thank you for your kind and generous donations.



National Online Safety - Weekly Information

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 Upcombe 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 *V0247*, he has reviewed more than 50 games and products over the past year.



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Play Development Service

Summer Holiday Play Schemes
2023 for 5-14-year-olds

	MONDAY'S	TUESDAY'S	WEDNESDAY'S	THURSDAY'S	FRIDAY'S
WEEK 1 24 th – 30 th July	Beech Hill School 12:00 - 4:00pm Mount Pleasant Avenue Halifax, HX1 5TN	Mixenden Activity Centre 2:00 – 6:00pm Clough Lane Mixenden HX2 8SH	Summer Fun Football Camp Calderdale College 2-5pm	Beech Hill School 12:00 - 4:00pm Mount Pleasant Avenue Halifax, HX1 5TN	Field Lane Park session Opposite field lane primary school 12- 2pm Elland Park Hullen Edge Rec 3-5pm
WEEK 2 31 st – 6 th August	Beech Hill School 12:00 - 4:00pm Mount Pleasant Avenue Halifax, HX1 5TN	Mixenden Activity Centre 2:00 – 6:00pm Clough Lane Mixenden HX2 8SH	Summer Fun Football Camp Calderdale College 2-5pm	Beech Hill School 12:00 - 4:00pm Mount Pleasant Avenue Halifax, HX1 5TN	Field Lane Park session Opposite field lane primary school 12- 2pm Elland Park Hullen Edge Rec 3-5pm
WEEK 3 7 th – 13 th August	Residential	Residential	Residential	Beech Hill School 12:00 - 4:00pm Mount Pleasant Avenue Halifax, HX1 5TN	Field Lane Park session Opposite field lane primary school 12- 2pm Elland Park Hullen Edge Rec 3-5pm
WEEK 4 14 th – 20 th August	Beech Hill School 12:00 - 4:00pm Mount Pleasant Avenue Halifax, HX1 5TN	Mixenden Activity Centre 2:00 – 6:00pm Clough Lane Mixenden HX2 8SH	Summer Fun Football Camp Calderdale College 2-5pm	Beech Hill School 12:00 - 4:00pm Mount Pleasant Avenue Halifax, HX1 5TN	Field Lane Park session Opposite field lane primary school 12- 2pm Elland Park Hullen Edge Rec 3-5pm
WEEK 5 21 st – 27 th August	Beech Hill School 12:00 - 4:00pm Mount Pleasant Avenue Halifax, HX1 5TN	Mixenden Activity Centre 2:00 – 6:00pm Clough Lane Mixenden HX2 8SH	Summer Fun Football Camp Calderdale College 2-5pm	Beech Hill School 12:00 - 4:00pm Mount Pleasant Avenue Halifax, HX1 5TN	Field Lane Park session Opposite field lane primary school 12- 2pm Elland Park Hullen Edge Rec 3-5pm
WEEK 6 28 th – 1 st Aug/Sept	Bank Holiday	Mixenden Activity Centre 2:00 – 6:00pm Clough Lane Mixenden HX2 8SH	Summer Fun Football Camp Calderdale College 2-5pm	Beech Hill School 12:00 - 4:00pm Mount Pleasant Avenue Halifax, HX1 5TN	Field Lane Park session Opposite field lane primary school 12- 2pm Elland Park Hullen Edge Rec 3-5pm

The Play Development Service provides free open access play sessions for children and young people aged between 5-14 years old. The sessions are open access and are offered at various centres, parks and open spaces across Calderdale. We provide a range of activities that are chosen by children and young people; these can sometimes get messy, so please come in clothes that are appropriate for the activities and the weather. We aim for all our activities to be inclusive to all children and young people.



We do ask Children and young people with a disability/special need to book on so we can meet your child's particular need. We operate on a first come first served basis, in our busy periods it is advised to arrive early to avoid disappointment as places are limited and are filled quickly.

For further information please call
the Play Development Service on 01422 380995

You can also visit our website
www.calderdale.gov.uk



Children & Young People's Service, The Play Development Service, Forest Cottage Community Centre, Cousin Lane, Illingworth, HX2 8AD

Dinner Menu w/c Monday 3rd June

1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hot Meal Option	Fish Fingers 2, 5	Sausages 5 Gravy	Homemade Chicken Curry 3, 8 Naan Bread 5	Homemade Paninis Chicken Tikka 5, 12 Tuna Melt 2, 5, 10, 12	Pizza 5, 8, 10
	Quorn Dippers 5	Homemade Macaroni Cheese 5, 10 Garlic Bread 4, 5, 10	Samosas 5 Homemade Onion Bhajis 10, 12 Savoury Rice	Homemade Cheese and Onion Quiche 5, 10, 12	Vegetable Ravioli 3, 4, 5
Vegetables	Criss-Cuts 5 Beans Veg Sticks	Ziggy Fries Broccoli Sweetcorn	Wedges 8 Broccoli Cauliflower	Potato Puffs Peas Carrots	Potato Cubes 5 Beans Peas
Served Daily	Jacket Potatoes with various fillings (Homemade Chicken Tikka, Bolognese 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	Choc-Chip Sponge 5, 10, 12 Custard 5, 10	Cheesecake 4, 5, 8, 10	Bakewell Sponge 5, 10, 12 Custard 5, 10	Assorted Fresh Baking 5, 10, 12
	Strawberry Swirls 10	Assorted Biscuits 5, 10, 12	Jelly	Angel Delight 8, 10	Vanilla Ice Cream 10

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