

# Beechwood News

## Promoting Progress

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Dear Parents, I hope you enjoyed the break after the long half term. The children worked so hard settling back in after the summer holidays and the summer certainly seems a long way off now. This is a very exciting half term with lots of things happening in the lead up to Christmas. I am sure I will see you in school at one of the exciting events the school has planned. Don't forget to keep an eye on our website for news of all the things the children will be involved in. Best wishes,  
Sue Rees

Beechwood's website is now home to the schools Letters Portal, where you can find all of the schools letters available for you to download and print.

Go to: [www.beechwoodjuniorschool.co.uk/category/letters/](http://www.beechwoodjuniorschool.co.uk/category/letters/)

Or click the letters link on the homepage

### The Amazing Dance Mat Competition



The week before half term on Wednesday 23rd October, there was a dance mat competition at Beechwood Junior School. All of the great houses battled it out to win the competition! The results were; in 1st place - Maple, 2nd place - Beech, 3rd place - Juniper and in 4th place - Oak. Everybody that took part tried their hardest to win as they wanted to be the best house. Some of the teachers even joined in and showed off their moves!

By Savannah, Katrine and Annie 5A

### Half Termly Attendance Figures

Lower School	Upper School
3R = 96.18%	5A = 95.57%
3W = 95.94%	5W = 96.27%
4B = 96.25%	6T = 96.22%
4D = 96.27%	6B = 98.68%

Our school overall target is 96%. Weekly winners receive a 5 minute extra playtime each week. Half term winners receive an extra break time. Autumn 1 winners are 4D and 6B, many congratulations to both classes!! Enjoy your playtime.



### Breakfast Club

Breakfast club is open again starting at 7.30 till 8.30, £2.50 per child. We cannot take responsibility for your child before 7.30 so please wait with them.

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### Reminders

Don't forget our "Get taught by your child" maths event is taking place on Monday 18th November from 3.30-4.30pm. If you have requested a place, you should have had your confirmation letter by now. If you missed the letter and would like a place please email:

taniabell@beechwoodjuniorschool.co.uk

Request from Brook Pre-School, Due to Safeguarding the children at Brook Pre-School they have asked if parents who are dropping little ones off at the Pre-School could ensure any older children wait in Beechwood playground. It is really busy at drop off time in the morning and it is for the safety of the little ones that there are not too many people around the entrance.

### P.E Kits

Please ensure your child always has their P.E kit in school and clothes, plimsolls and bag are all clearly named. If children are without their P.E kit a letter will be sent home, and we will ask you to provide them with something suitable to wear. Finding spare P.E kit for children wastes a lot of office and staff time, and means the children miss out on some of their lesson.

Open Week, Please note that the cost of an adult meal is £2.34 and not £2.60 as stated in the letter inviting you to open week.

"A parent has kindly given permission to show a photo of his daughter's lunchbox, covered in mould and bacteria, having been left in school over the half term holiday. Please ensure your children bring their lunchboxes home at the end of each term, as those left behind will be disposed of by our cleaning staff. May I also confirm that any lunchboxes/bags, found by the cleaners, with rotting contents during the term, will also be disposed of for H&S reasons."



### Important Dates

- 4/11/13—8/11/13 One World Week
- 8/11/13 19:00– 22:00 Bingo Night
- 12/11/13 08.40—10.00 Lorraine's Coffee Morning
- 15/11/13 09:00—12:00 Y6 African Showcase
- 18/11/13– 15:30-16:30 'Get Taught By Your Child'
- 18/11/13—22/11/13 Open Week
- 19/11/13 08.40—10.00 Lorraine's Coffee Morning
- 21/11/13 12:00 –15:00 Y5 Sound Workshop
- 25/11/13 Inset Day, school closed
- 26/11/13 08.40—10.00 Lorraine's Coffee Morning
- 26/11/13 09:00—15:00 Y6 Greek Olympiad
- 28/11/13 14.30—15.30 Y4 Orange Apples, Parents performance

### Amazing Movies

On Tuesday 22nd October the children of year 5 presented to their parents their amazing movies. They had drinks and popcorn, just like a real film premiere, before settling down to the screening. After the movies the parents walked around and looked at our models, sets, and writing. Also they had a look at our thrones, which we completed as part of a homework project. Parents and children had a great time and we hope you enjoyed coming in to see our learning.

By Layla Cook  
5A



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Head Teachers Awards 04.11.13

3R

Kelsey Ret-for her fantastic effort at working independently to add one digit numbers.

James Hunt-for his concentration and progress made during our partitioning lesson.



3W

Phoenix Bukhory-for his effort on creating a recount plan in chronological order.

Lucy Foster-for her wonderful adding on a number line and fab presentation.



4D

Lewis Carr-for working hard and trying his best in all lessons with a positive learning attitude.

Grace Smith-for having a positive start for the year and taking things in her stride.



4B

Kyle Cooper-for fantastic perseverance in his maths to make progress.

Isabella O'Reilly-for being incredibly helpful and informative throughout the week.



5W

Thomas Price- for a fantastic description of his myth setting.

Oliwia Bielarz-for really securing her written methods in maths.



5A

Lily Waghorn-for her positive attitude in all learning and particularly working hard through the 5 to 5 in maths.

Jakub Sztela-for his great descriptive language to describe his myth setting.



6B

Shivani Sood-for showing such enthusiasm with her homework and completing it all on the day it was given!

Jaycie Adams-for having returned to school with such a keen attitude towards learning-keep it up!



6T

Lewis Crudington-for his superb descriptive writing. He has impressed Mrs Thorne, Mrs Beckett AND Mr Crosby!

Sam Walters-for her fantastic attitude to school and enthusiasm for everything we have done in Y6 so far. What a star!!



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Head Teachers Awards 11.10.13

3R

Lyon Goodwin—for working hard in class and remembering his manners.

Hayley Thorogood—for preserving in maths this week. You can subtract 10! YIPEE!

3W

A J Stitson—for a really big improvement in his behaviour this week. Well done and keep it up!

Robin Crane—for really challenging herself in maths and subtracting decimals using the column method.

4B

Stephanie Skeats—for trying her best in all subjects this week.

Ellie Grant—for producing some fantastic work in maths.

4D

Rachel Brindley—for producing some fabulous investigation evidence for work of the week.

5A

Gabriel Sojka—for being a great 'buddy' supporting a new pupil and working hard in his group to produce animation photographs.

Saya McCloud—for being a fantastic member within her group co-operating well and organising their task. Well done!

5W

Nathaniel Poder—for a fantastic week with a complete turnaround of behaviour. A great week of co-operative group work. :)

Bathabile Magagula—A great week of work. Talking confidently and co-operatively.

6B

Holly Dale—for making such a wonderful nomination for our 'Writer of the week class' in class. Really sensible choice!

Harry Fall—for writing such clear and well thought out instructions. They were also very humorous!

6T

Lauren Sheard—for her detailed description in her report about the wildlife of her island.

Declan Ryves—for his excellent application of 2D and 3D shape knowledge to problems in maths.



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Head Teachers Awards 18.10.13

3R

Drew Symonds—for an excellent attitude in literacy and editing his poem to a high standard.



Emma Campbell—for thinking about her targets when editing.

3W

Callum Windebank—for thinking of some very descriptive adjectives during literacy independently.



Angelina Rutkowska—for using the mathematical language of shape to describe 3D shapes.

4B

Ashton Cornock—for working exceptionally hard to improve his hand writing this week.



Kaci Peat—for working hard and having a positive attitude all week.

4D

Lewis McAulay—for working hard to solve word problems and for presenting them in a systematic and neat way.

Rebecca Harding—for writing an interesting newspaper report on 'The Vanishing's' using engaging level 4 features.



5W

Gerri Goryalova—for working so well in her group to produce their animation for their Greek myth.

Anthony Westwood—for really driving his group in the creation of their animated Greek myth.



5A

Savannah Annell—for her fantastic group work to produce a Greek Movie. Leading her group well, encouraging them to join in and praise their efforts.

Riley Shrimpton—for improving his learning attitude this week and working hard in all lessons. Keep it up Riley!



6B

Jamie Brindley—for writing such a wonderful police report in literacy today.

Hayley Murray—for presenting her maths work today so well! It was loud and clear and packed with information.



6T

Vinny Haliday for his amazing line graph in maths WIGGLE and being very helpful in class. Thanks for your help Vinny!



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Head Teachers Awards 25.10.13

3R

Jazmine Whitehead—for trying her absolute best for her rocket team.

Richard Page—for taking part in his teams rocket presentation with a speaking part despite being unsure at first.

3W

Gemma Herbert—for always trying her best in all subjects and for working well as part of a group.

Jack Duggan—for giving a fantastic rocket presentation all by himself— well done Jack!

4B

Alfie Watler—for producing some fantastic word problems and presenting them in a clear, systematic way in maths.

Julia Dubaj—for an interesting and beautifully presented newspaper report on the RSPCA.

4D

Hermione Fall— for persevering with her word problems and writing some fabulous answer sentences.

Isla Ahmed—for writing an interesting letter in role with all the right features to make a great informal letter.

5W

Erica Alves— for sharing with the class a fantastic example of personification that she had written independently

Jimmy Holmes—Although not a good start to the week, he has and is really trying to turn his behaviour around. Keep it up Jimmy!

5A

Halisha Kooner—a fantastic poem to describe a mythical beast using a range of figurative language

Lucy-May Clarke—for working really hard in maths this week solving two steps word problems using her secure methods.

6B

Emily White—for sharing such enthusiasm with her maths homework this week! Keep it up!

Sam Woolgar—for completing such wonderful L5 maths today!

6T

Alya Arvania for making one sub level progress in reading, writing, maths and science!

