



# BEECHWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

## newsletter

24th October 2024

### AUTUMN IS ON THE WAY!

Another week has passed and we are starting to see the school look more and more autumnal. We have been practicing looking at the world with Awe and Wonder as we notice the beautiful colours around us.



Lewis Carroll class had a great music session this week with our new Vicar and can't wait for the next one!

### CERTIFICATE WINNERS

PICASSO

Felicity and Nancy C

ROSEN

Harry and Connor

ATTENBOROUGH

Elliot and Ollie

PANKHURST

Annalise and Charlotte

HAWKING

Isabella and Alexander

MALALA

Evelyn and Emily

MANDELA

Grace and Henry

### IMPORTANT DATES

**WB 14th October**

Assessment Week

**Monday 14th October**

Harvest Assembly

**Tuesday 15th October**

Malala Class Assembly

**Tuesday 22nd October**

Parents' Evening

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**Thursday 24th October**

Non-Uniform Bottle Donation


Children Finish for Half Term

House Celebration

**Monday 4th November**

School reopens

**Wednesday 6th November**

PTA Disco 

### HOUSE POINTS!

Kagan- 976

Costa- 981

DeBono- 799

Hyerle- 1033



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### HARVEST

Every year, the wonderful families of Beechwood donate non-perishable food items to school which are sent to the local Food Bank.

I hope you will continue to support this much needed charity and send items in to school over the coming weeks.

Our Harvest Assembly will be held on

**Monday 14th October**



## Harvest FESTIVAL

DONATIONS WILL BE COLLECTED OVER THE COMING WEEKS

Please donate tinned or packet foods which will be passed on to those in need.

Collection Date  
Monday 14th October

### YEAR 6 BIKEABILITY

This week, Year 6 have enjoyed learning about road safety when riding their bikes on the roads.

Well done Year 6!



### WELLBEING CERTIFICATES

PICASSO  
Hollie  
ROSEN  
Thomas W  
ATTENBOROUGH  
Ellena  
PANKHURST  
Isla S  
HAWKING  
Annalise  
MALALA  
Vega  
MANDELLA  
Maxwell

### GOLDEN BOX WINNERS

Well done to Max T for winning a Gold Box prize this week!



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### PTA

What a wonderful year last year was in terms of raising funds for the school. I appreciate that it can seem like there is always something to dress up as, or bring items in for, but without the PTA and the funds you all raise, we simply could not offer the children here wonderful opportunities the PTA fund. So, Thank you! For every donation, dress up day or raffle ticket! We appreciate it!



OCTOBER DISCO  
£596.66

WE'D LOVE TO GIVE YOU A

**HUGE**

**THANK YOU**

FROM

CHRISTMAS  
BONANZA  
£1112.68

CHRISTMAS DVD  
£70.10



EASTER BINGO  
£262.28

SUMMER FAYRE  
£653.85

**WITH YOUR HELP  
WE RAISED  
£3665.27  
IN 2023/2024**

EASYFUNDRAISING  
£111.70

NATIVITY COSTUME HIRE  
£24.00

THIS HELPED PAY FOR  
PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT  
£1061.78  
AND  
KS2 MUSIC TUITION  
£3068.00

SLEEPOVER  
£834.00

*thankyou*





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### TERM TIME HOLIDAYS

We have seen an increase in applications for Term Time holidays. As you will have read in letters sent by Mrs Kidd last accademic year, the laws around this have changed and become much tighter. I appreciate the difficulties, yet unless there is an exceptional reason, we are not allowed to authorise holidays and fines have to be issued.



## Should I keep my child off school?

### Yes

#### Until...

|  |  |
|--|--|
| Chickenpox                                     | at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over  |
| Diarrhoea and Vomiting                         | 48 hours after their last episode  |
| Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19) | they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19. |
| Impetigo                                       | their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics  |
| Measles  | 4 days after the rash first appeared   |
| Mumps  | 5 days after the swelling started  |
| Scabies  | they've had their first treatment  |
| Scarlet Fever                                  | 24 hours after they started taking antibiotics   |
| Whooping Cough                                 | 48 hours after they started taking antibiotics   |

### No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

|                      |                 |
|----------------------|-----------------|
| Hand, foot and mouth | Glandular fever |
| Head lice            | Tonsillitis     |
| Threadworms          | Slapped cheek   |



SCAN ME

#### Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfoc>.



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Shine  
THERAPY

HALTON CARERS CENTRE  
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HALTON  
BOROUGH COUNCIL

## Sensory Workshop For Parent Carers

Friday 8th November

*Masonic Hall, Kingsway, Widnes.*

Due to the amazing feedback we received from the Sensory workshops for Carers that we held in March 2024 we are pleased to announce that in partnership with Halton Borough Council we will be running another workshop for parent carers.

This workshop will provide you with an understanding of sensory processing difficulties and how they can affect a person's ability to successfully access learning, play and social situations in the home and education environments. Further to this you will explore practical intervention strategies (eg sensory diets) and how these may best be used to achieve positive outcomes.

*The workshops are being delivered by Lisa Hamer, an Advanced Practitioner in Sensory Integration and Highly Specialist Occupational Therapist. Lisa is the director of Shine Therapy Services Ltd, a multi-disciplinary consultancy providing occupational therapy and speech and language therapy for children and young people throughout the North West.*

*Places are limited and will be £5 each.*

*If you wish to be added to the interested list please scan the QR code*

*For further information please call us on 01928 580182*



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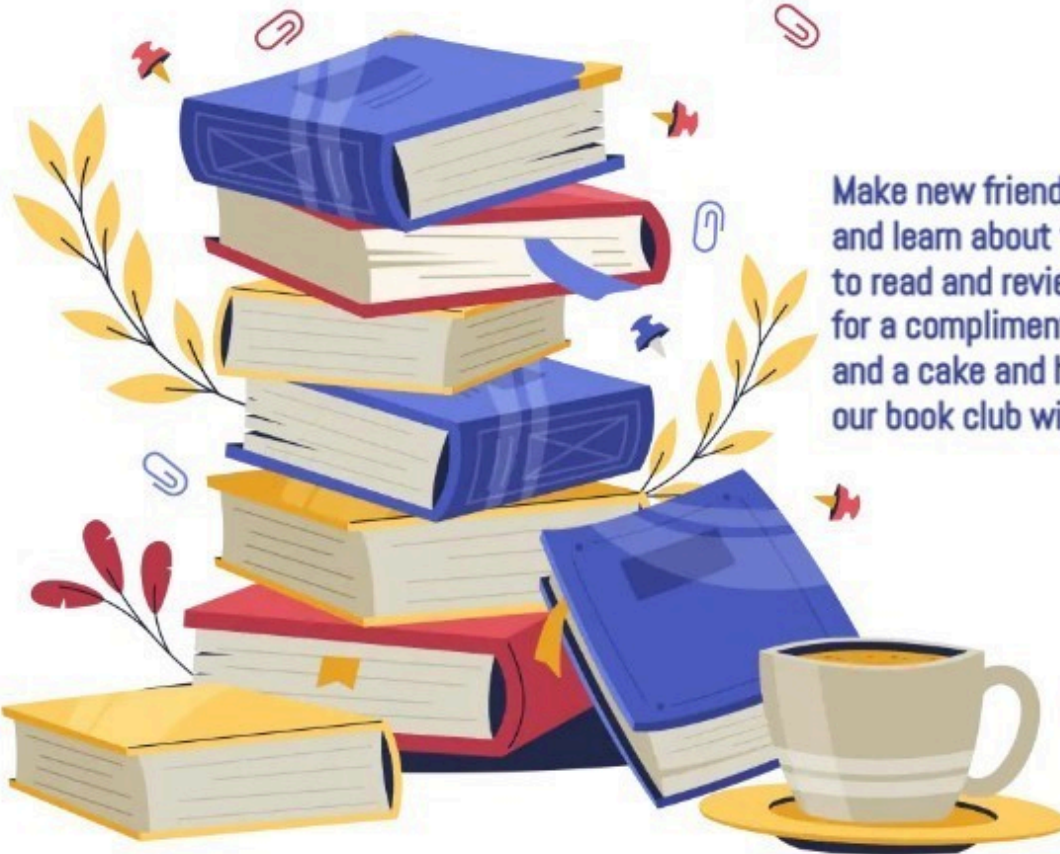


with St Mark's Church



An Open Invitation to Join our

# BOOK CLUB



Make new friends, laugh, chat and learn about the best books to read and review by joining us for a complimentary coffee/tea and a cake and hear about how our book club will work

Meeting the first Thursday of every month  
Starting Thursday 3rd October @ 2pm  
The Cafe @ Beechwood





### 7 Top Tips to Support Reading at Home

Shared reading is a great way to develop children's language and communication and to boost their reading skills. Regular reading routines can offer lots of opportunities for learning during school closures.

- 1 Concentrate on reading quality (it isn't all about reading lots!)



Don't worry too much about the 'what' and 'how' of reading each day. Books are great—but leaflets, comics, recipes and instructions on a webpage can all be great too. Following a recipe to make some cupcakes is valuable reading. Be on the lookout for reading, wherever it is!

- 2 Ask your child lots of questions



All reading matters. Shared reading is about 'reading with', not just 'reading to' (even for older children). So, ask lots of 'Wh' questions, such as Who? What? When? Where? Why? Try them when talking about books: for example, 'what do you think Harry is feeling?'

- 3 Ask your child to make predictions about what they have read



If it is a book, look at the front cover—or the last chapter—and talk about what might happen next. Look for clues in the book and be a reading detective! For example, 'can you see the bear on the front cover? Where do you think he will go?'

- 4 Ask your child to summarise what they have read



When you've finished reading, talk about what happened. Acting out the things that happened in the story or describing the big idea of a chapter is really fun and maximises learning. For example, 'can you remember all the things that happened on the bear hunt?'

- 5 Ask your child to write about what they have read



Write, or draw pictures, from anything you've read! Big writing and pictures are even more fun. For example, use an old roll of wallpaper to make a treasure map with clues from the stories you've read together.

- 6 Read and discuss reading with friends or family



Make books a part of the family. Encourage your child to share them with a relative or friend, over a video call. Laugh about them when you are making meals together. For example, 'I hope the tiger doesn't come to tea today!'

- 7 Maintain the motivation to read



Talk about the joy of reading whenever you can. Your child is on an amazing journey to becoming a reader. Put them in the driving seat and have fun on the way! For example, 'choose your favourite story for bedtime tonight.'



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## Multi-Sport Mash Up!

Physical and Athletic development  
FUNdamental movement drills and practices

**Thursdays 5.30 – 6.30pm**

**7 – 11 year olds**

**Brookvale Recreation Centre**

**September 19, 26, October 3, 10, 17, 24**

No experience required  
Chance to try out new skills

To register contact Colin:  
[Colin.Powell@halton.gov.uk](mailto:Colin.Powell@halton.gov.uk)  
0151 511 4012

[www.activehalton.co.uk](http://www.activehalton.co.uk)



## Wednesday Futsal Sessions

**September 18, 25, October 2, 9, 16, 23.**

**Brookvale Recreation Centre**  
**4.30-5.30pm: 7 – 11 years**

- Sessions will be ran indoor in the sports hall.
- No experience required.
- Trainers.
- Shin pads advised but optional

To book your child a place contact:  
[Colin.powell@halton.gov.uk](mailto:Colin.powell@halton.gov.uk)  
Phone: 0151 511 4012

[www.activehalton.co.uk](http://www.activehalton.co.uk)



# Sporting Clubs across Halton



## Introduction to Football Play Phase Sessions

For all children in Reception to year 2  
w/c September 16<sup>th</sup>. (4 to 7 years)

**Tuesdays 4.15pm – 5pm**  
Frank Myler Pavilion, Liverpool Road.

**Thursdays 4.30-5.15pm.**  
Brookvale Recreation Centre (indoor), Barnfield  
Avenue, Runcorn.  
£2 per child.

To book your child's place email:  
[Colin.powell@halton.gov.uk](mailto:Colin.powell@halton.gov.uk)



**Have Fun!**

**Wild CATS**  
GIRLS' FOOTBALL

The perfect way for girls aged 5-11 to get involved with football

**ENGLAND FOOTBALL**

|   |                              |
|---|------------------------------|
| <b>TIME AND DATE</b>  | <b>LOCATION</b>              |
| 4.30pm Every Monday   | Frank Myler Pavilion, Widnes |
| <b>WHO WE ARE</b>   | <b>SCAN ME:</b>              |
| Halton Sports Development   |                              |
| <b>NEXT STEPS</b>   |                              |
| head to <a href="http://www.EnglandFootball.com/WeetabixWildcats">www.EnglandFootball.com/WeetabixWildcats</a> or scan the QR code on the right to book your first session, or contact us to find out more <a href="mailto:colin.powell@halton.gov.uk">colin.powell@halton.gov.uk</a> |                              |