

# Beechwood Primary News



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I would like to say a really big thank you to all parents for supporting our PTA events, The money raised helps to provide our children with experiences that go above and beyond the National Curriculum requirements.

## Sleepover

It was lovely to be able to have our whole school sleepover again this year, our last one was in 2020! The children all really enjoyed spending time with their friends, playing games and watching films. We would like to thank all the parents who supported us in the 7pm - 9pm slot doing nails, hair and playing games with the children and the parents who supported us at breakfast time and packing away. Also our PTA committee who worked hard behind the scenes pulling this event together. We also need to say a really big thank you to all of the staff who gave up their time so that the children could have this wonderful memory and we could raise money for the school. Finally we need to say thank you to Asda for donating the breakfast cereal, Odeon Cinema for donating the popcorn for the children to eat while watching their films and Hillview Primary School and The Heath for lending us their PE mats for the evening.

# Congratulations to....

Ellena & Oscar P (YR), Isabelle & Bobby L (Y1), Oscar, Layla & Isabella (Y2), Luca & Lewis (Y3), Émelia & Elliot (Y4), Reece & Lois (Y5), Maddison & Alexis (Y6).

For their excellent work this half term, keep up the hard work!

# **Safeguarding**

Do you have a concern about a child in Beechwood but you're not sure if you should say anything? On our school website there is a new reporting tool for reporting any concerns that you may have to school. You can also submit your concerns anonymously this way if you would prefer. Alternatively you can send a message through Seesaw to any member of staff regarding any concerns that you may have.

# Lunches

As a polite remember, please ensure that if your child has a packed lunch, this does not include any products that contain nuts. This includes spreads such as chocolate spread and snack bars - thank you

# **Charity Officers**

This half term our charity officers organised a sponsored swim for our Key Stage 2 children. We had 51 children from Key Stage 2 taking part and the children managed to raise a very impressive £900! We would like to say a massive thank you to Beechwood Community Centre for letting us use their pool and Lifequard for free.



# Sports



We would like to say a massive thank you to all of the parent volunteers who have helped us to transport the children without your support we wouldn't be able to take the children to all of these events.

#### Year 3/4 Dodgeball

Our Year 3/4 children really enjoyed taking part in the Dodgeball festival, they played 6 games and throughout the festival they demonstrated fantastic team spirit and showed great sportsmanship. Well

## Year 5/6 Indoor Athletics

The athletics team came 3rd in their tournament. All children thoroughly enjoyed themselves and two children said they have found a new interest in athletics! The team gave it their all and Beechwood received not one, but two star player medals for the highest two 'Speed Bounces' of the evening. The team showed great sportsmanship qualities by going over to the winning team and congratulating them. Well

#### Year 3/4 Gymnastics

Our year 3 and 4 gymnasts had a great day at Warrington Gymnastics Club. Each child had to perform a routine on the floor and on the vault as well as a group performance. All six of them tried their best and were great representatives for our school. They even had the chance to try out the other professional gymnastics equipment such as the bars, fast track and the high beams. They had a really fun and interesting day full of new experiences.

# Wider Curriculum

Loan Shark Project
Our Year 5 and Year 6 children have worked with Mako, they learnt all about loan sharks and signs to look out for if they are worried about their parents. They made keyrings and then worked in small groups using a green screen to record clips that will be put together and used as a national advert warning everyone about the dangers of loan sharks.

## Year 2 Foxhowl Residential

Our Year 2 children really enjoyed their first school Residential to Foxhowl Delamere. The children really enjoyed their pond dipping session and managed to catch a lot of fish! They entertained us around the camp fire with their wonderful singing and really enjoyed building shelters and hammocks. Throughout the whole visit the children were wonderful and the staff were really proud of how independent the children were during their time away from home. Thank you to Mrs Woodcock, Mrs Fearn, Mrs Kidd, Mrs Lansdell and Mrs Sinclair for volunteering to give up their time so that the children could have this magical experience.

## Computing

Our Year 3 children worked with Gina from Daresbury Labs, learning how to use a crumble. They created circuits and motors to create a car that moved around the floor. The children loved taking part in this and learnt a lot, thank you to Daresbury Labs for enriching our curriculum.

The whole school worked together to create our 'A Step Back In Time' exhibition. Each class produced artwork linked to the history topic that they had been learning about. The exhibition is now open in the Town Square, Runcorn Shopping City. It will stay up until the 3rd March so please do go and visit to see the wonderful work from the children of Beechwood and other local primary schools. We also need to say well done to our Year 6 children who sang beautifully to officially open the exhibition.

#### Mandela class assembly

Our Year 6 children have learnt a lot during their recent history unit and they shared all of their amazing knowledge about how warfare has changed from the Stone Age through to World War 2 with their parents during their class assembly. They also shared their use of emotive and descriptive language as they shared their recent diary entry English unit with families. It was lovely to see how much our children have grown in confidence during their time at Beechwood, with them all delivering their lines with confidence and clarity, well done Year 6

#### Attenborough class assembly

Our Year 2children put on a wonderful class assembly showcasing their fantastic learning from this term. They started by sharing their knowledge about The Great Fire of London where they demonstrated their PE dance routine for the vocabulary fire, water, bakery, 4 days and diary writing. They also shared their current English Talk4Writing text through story mapping actions, reading of their class shared write and even performed a memorable campfire song Reeces Pieces from their Foxhowl Residential, well done Year 2!

# World Book Day

Just a quick reminder that World Book Day is on Thursday 2nd March. Miss Arnold, our English Lead, has been working hard to organise a full day of events for the children. This year, our theme is "Bedtime Stories". Therefore, we encourage the children to come to school dressed as their favourite book character or in their pyjamas to enjoy a day of literature.