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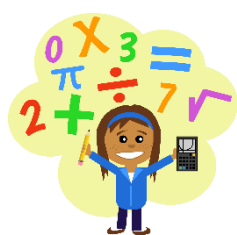


Hello

I have been observing lessons and talking to children about their learning in the past couple of weeks. It has been an absolute joy to see how focused the children are on their learning, how much they enjoy it and how much progress they are making.

It made me smile when I quietly asked one of our children a question while his teacher was talking and he politely replied "Would you mind if I just listened to this bit first... it's really interesting!"

We are seeing some great leadership from our older children (see our sports captains in action below) and next week our school counsellors will be discussing changes to our school values, as well as sharing new ideas.



Maths Workshops for Parents

On **Thursday 9th February at 2.30** we would love you to come into school to find out more about how we teach maths at Beaulieu.

Mrs Cunningham (our maths lead) will talk to parents together in the school hall at the start of the session, sharing our vision for Beaulieu mathematicians and then there will be an opportunity for you to join your child/ children in their classrooms and see them in action.

Do come along, if you can. (There will be a video of the event and photos which will be uploaded onto google classroom for anyone who is unable to make it, but if you can, we'd love to see you, so do put it in your diary).

Please Note: There will be no expectation for any parent to do any maths themselves!

Thank you

Year R Sportiness

This week our youngest children took part in the Multi Sports Cup – a competition organized and run by the Year 5 and 6 Sports Captains.

Miss Hayes was delighted by the way our youngest children responded to the Sports Captains and by how seriously the Sports Captains took their roles and supported the younger children.



We love how carefully our Year R children are listening in these photos!



Teachers' Industrial action on Wednesday 1st February

As you know, the National Education Union of teachers (NEU) has balloted members to take industrial action on Wednesday 1st February

This action is a **national** strike of NEU members and not one specifically directed at our school community.

As I mentioned to you in my email, some of our teachers who are members of the NEU have found it very difficult to decide whether to take this industrial action. They have felt morally torn between not wanting to disrupt children and their families and wanting to take a stand on an issue they feel very strongly about.

I know that the teachers intending to participate in industrial action feel that the inadequate levels of funding being invested in children's education is now having a real and detrimental effect in the classroom.

On Wednesday 1st February, I expect our school to be partially closed. **Our support staff and teachers who are not members of the NEU will teach children who:**

- **Are classed as vulnerable** (this will include children who have Education Health Care Plans - EHCPs)

Where numbers allow, we will also teach children who:

- **Have parents who are critical workers** (where children live with both parents we will give priority to families where BOTH parents are key workers)

If you require a place for your child on Wednesday 1st February, please contact the school office as soon as possible to assist with planning for the day. I do appreciate how inconvenient this is for families.

If your child qualifies for free-school meals (not including the universal free-school meals provided for EYFS/KS1 pupils), **you are entitled to a packed lunch, which can be ordered and collected from school on this date. Please contact the office by Tuesday 31st January if you would like to order.**

Breakfast Club and After-School Club provision will be running as normal. Please book a place via the office, in the usual way, if you need this provision.

Oak Class History



Our Year 5 and 6 children are learning about the Maya in their history journey this half term. They had an exciting lesson thinking like historians and using artefacts and resources to gain clues about the Maya people.

The children investigated questions such as: Where did the Maya live? What did they eat? And What did they believe in?



Felix - Year 6 *It was so much fun using duplicates of artefacts (if it had been the real artefacts I would have been very nervous). We had to think about what we noticed and what we wondered...*

Indy – Year 6 *We learned from the books what the Maya found beautiful... they thought cross-eyed people were beautiful. They would put a pen on infants' noses to try and make them cross-eyed.*

Sophie – Year 5 *It was so interesting to handle real things. It helped me imagine much more what it was like.*





Congratulations to our Sailors!

We are so lucky to have a school sailing club, run by parent volunteers supported by members of Beaulieu River Sailing Club.

Last week we celebrated our wonderful junior sailors in a special assembly, with certificates and trophies presented by Peter Marling-Roberts. Thanks to their sailing, the children have learnt many new skills, made new friends and built important resilience.



The club meets every Tuesday after school throughout the season, at Salterns in Lymington. We are hugely grateful to Sam for doing such a fantastic job of running this club. Sam is stepping down, as Ethan has gone on to secondary school, but I am delighted to say that Fiona (who has William in Year 2) and Jenny (who has Skylar, Neve and Josh in Year 5) have kindly stepped forward to run the club this year.



Contacting teachers

Parents are always very welcome to contact teachers to ask questions, share information or raise concerns. We encourage this on-going, open communication as it supports our school/family partnership, which in turn supports each child.

You can:

- Speak to a teacher at the end of the school day (if they have another meeting they will arrange to speak with you as soon as possible) or
- Phone or email Lisa in the school office (she will then pass on a message or arrange a meeting for you with your child's teacher)

Please don't email teachers directly. They are unable to check their emails when they are teaching and whilst the office emails are read on a daily basis, teachers' emails may not be checked until they are at home with their families in the evening. Thank you.



Parking before and after school

Many thanks for your support with keeping the start of the school day safe for the whole school community. It is much appreciated.

One or two parents have queried the fact that the school bus regularly parks on the yellow zig-zag lines where parents and visitors are asked not to park.

This arrangement has been in place for many years, in order to safeguard the children who walk from the bus into school each day, unaccompanied by parents. We consulted our community police officer about the bus when we reviewed safety at drop off/collection times with him a couple of years ago and he felt this continued to be by far the safest arrangement.

Thank you very much for:

- **Not parking or stopping on the yellow zig-zag lines outside of the school**
- **Not parking on the white line opposite the school entrance**
- **Not dropping your child off in the road**



Beaulieu Pancake Races

As you know, our traditional village pancake event will take place on Shrove **Tuesday, 21st February from 2.00 pm.**

At the end of the children's races, parents and spectators are invited to take part in the adults' pancake tossing competition. There are also

some races between community groups, such as the Montagu Arms, the fire fighters, the Beaulieu estate and parents from the school.

If you would like to take part in the community races – and we feel sure the children would love to watch you! – **Please consider putting a parent team together.** We need 4 people in a team. If you are able to make a team, please let Lisa in the school office know (01590 612255). In the unlikely event we get too many teams we will work on a first come, first served basis to prevent this event going on into the night!



Internet Safety

Tuesday 7th February is Internet Safety Day. We try to talk about internet safety frequently in school but our children will have a special focus on it during this day.

It would be very helpful if you could chat to your child about what they have been learning, as this will help to secure the key messages for them.

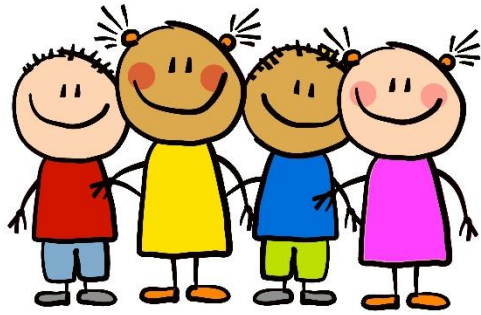
We continue to be very concerned about “stranger danger” online and the fact that children (and parents) may not realise who they are communicating with, particularly if the correct controls are not in place. However sensible your child, he or she will be highly vulnerable to adults masquerading as children in games or in chatrooms.

Do you know what your child is playing and who they are talking to?

There is a particularly high level of concern about Roblox and Tiktok for primary aged children.

For fantastic information about how to use parental controls and how to start conversations with your child about internet safety, please visit the NSPCC website.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/talking-child-online-safety/>



Headteacher Stickers

Mathilda – Year R For making superb gingerbread men in D.T.

Belle – Year R For fantastic resilience

Isabelle – Year R For outstanding literacy

Lily – Year R For being so sensible and mature when little things go wrong

Reef – Year R For

Preston – Year 1 For putting so much effort into improving his cutting skills

Amy – Year 1 (belatedly!) For creativity (designing a fantastic fire engine in D.T.)

Elyza – Year 2 For impressive focus and independence

Theodore – Year 1 and Alfie, Henry and Ruben – Year 2 For playing football together so beautifully and showing such care and kindness towards one another

Alexa – Year 2 For beautiful art work using an Aboriginal dot pattern

Maddie and William – Year 5 For taking responsibility for their own learning in maths and using strategies such as bar-modelling without being prompted

Wishing you and your family a good weekend,

Katherine Jones

Headteacher



Diary Dates

Please keep these dates for your diary.

New dates will appear in red

Day/Time	Event	Notes
Tuesday 31 st January	Years 1 and 2 visit to the NF Wildlife Park	
Wednesday 1 st February	Industrial action by the NEU	School expected to be partially closed Please see email sent on 26.1.23 for criteria for children with priority to attend
Monday 6 th February, Tuesday 7 th February or Thursday 9 th February 3.30 pm	Key Stage 2 children sharing books with parents	
Tuesday 7 th February 2.30	Key Stage 1 (Years R, 1 and 2) dance show in the Village Hall	Parents very welcome to come and share what the children have been working on in their dance lessons
Tuesday 7 th February 3.00	Key Stage 1 children in Years R, 1 and 2 sharing learning	Parents very welcome to come and share what the children have been learning in the classroom
Thursday 9 th February 2.30 pm	Maths workshop for parents	Please come along if you can to find out more about how your child learns maths in the classroom
Monday 13 th – Friday 17 th February	HALF TERM	
Tuesday 21 st February	2.00 pm Pancake Races in the High Street	Families are very welcome to come and watch (or even take part)! We hope to see you there.
Thursday 23 rd February	Oak Class trip to the CET in Beaulieu	
Wednesday 15 th March	Parents' Evening	For parents/carers of children in all year groups – details to follow
Wednesday 22 nd March	Parents' Evening	For parents/carers not attending on the 15 th March
Friday 31 st March	Break up for Easter	
Monday 17 th April	Return to school	

Monday 29 th May – Friday 2 nd June	HALF TERM	
Monday 5 th June	INSET day	
Tuesday 20 th June	Sports Day	Whole school picnic followed by traditional races – families welcome. Details to follow
Friday 23 rd June	Sports Day Reserve	In case it rains on the 20 th !
Friday 21 st July	Break up for the summer holiday	

Activity Club

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Beaulieu Village Primary School

Spring 1 Term : 3.15pm – 4.15pm

Monday – Football Boys & Girls Years R-6

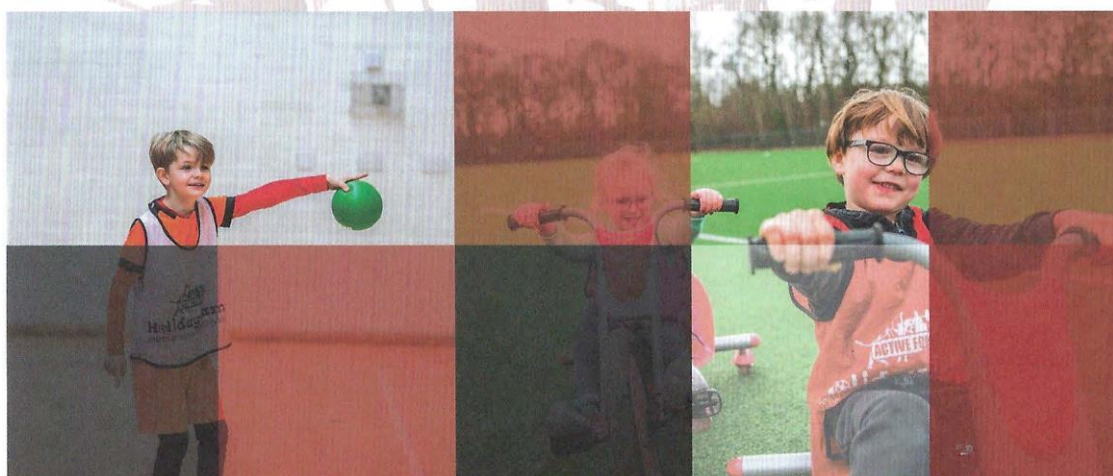
Tuesday – Dodgeball years R-6

Wednesday – Arts & Crafts/Lego Years R - 6

Thursday – Multi-Sports Years R - 6

Friday – Team Games R - 6

For more details or to book go to our website



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