



## Newsletter 14 – Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

### **Beaulieu's Best**



Last week we enjoyed celebrating with the following children who have embraced our school values, Have Courage, Be Kind, Shine!

Daisy T

Leah

Ned

William

Phoebe

Albie-John

Well done everyone!

### **Praizin' Hands**



PRAIZIN' HANDS  
PUPPET GROUP

On Friday 13<sup>th</sup>, Praizin' Hands Puppet Group visited us to share their Easter performance. Praizin' Hands deliver puppet presentations to schools, care homes, pre-schools and toddler groups in the New Forest and Southampton. As well as sharing the Christmas and Easter stories, they also deliver presentations linked to PSHE topics in schools including Fire Safety, Friendships, E Safety, Road Safety and Well-being.

"The songs were the best! I loved the music." Henry D

"It was really good. I loved the talking flower narrators." Mabel

### **Year R trip to Longdown Dairy Farm**



Year R really enjoyed their trip to Longdown Dairy farm on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup>. The sun shone as they toured the site with Farmer Anna. The children saw lots of animals and collected eggs for the farm shop.

"I liked feeding the cows and the adult goats." Santi

"I liked holding the guinea pigs because one was trying to escape and it was really funny!" Everly

"I liked feeding the cows and one of the pigs was called Otis!" Otis

"The chicks were so cute! I liked stroking them." Eleanor



## **St Barbe Toys Workshop for Years 1 and 2**

On Wednesday 18th, Verity from St Barbe led a 'Toys' workshop with the children in years 1 and 2. The children looked at a range of old and new toys comparing what they were made from and how they worked.

Verity was very impressed by the enthusiasm and behaviour of the children. Well done everyone!

"I liked the old baby doll from the 1800s because it was really interesting. It was made from china but the head didn't match the arms and legs because they had been replaced." Loveday



## **Parents' Evening**

Thank you to all of the parents who joined us for parents' evening this week. We hope that you found the meetings useful.

## **Hot Chocolate Friday**

It was lovely to celebrate Hot Chocolate Friday with Atlas, Annabel, Zoja and Ewan last week. I always enjoy hearing about the things that the children particularly love at BVPS.

"I like art you can draw fine details with pen. A squiggle can turn out really well!" Zoya

"I like building with the wooden blocks at school." Atlas

"I love PE, it's really fun!" Annabel

"I like the fact that Beaulieu is a small school and we get loads of opportunities." Ewan

## **Exciting Science in Oak Class**

Oak class have been finding out about the heart and circulation in their science learning. They have been finding out how the heart works as an organ, what the different sections are and some of the features of the heart. The highlight of the topic



was when the children were able to dissect a pig's heart to physically see some of the different parts that they had been learning about. The children had a great time being scientists and discovering new things. Some of the children were particularly proud of themselves as they weren't sure how they would feel about seeing a heart and exploring it in more detail, but actually they really enjoyed it!

"The lesson was very interesting. I really enjoyed learning about the heart because there was a lot I didn't know about like the chambers." Stephanie

"It felt very strange and I didn't think I would enjoy the experience but actually it was better than I thought!" Rogue

### **Beaulieu Past, Present and Future Event**

On Monday the children in years 1 and 5 took part in a craft event with some of the older members of the community. This was a great opportunity for young and old to come together.

Well done to everyone who took part in the Easter Bonnet competition, you looked very proud in the parade. Thanks to Jan Hoy and FOBs for providing every child with a bun and for providing the winners of the competition with their prizes.





### **Easter Bonnet Competition Winners**

We saw some wonderful Easter bonnets this year. Well done to everyone who took part.

	<b>Willow:</b>	<b>Redwood:</b>	<b>Chestnut:</b>	<b>Oak:</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	Tommy	Leah	Olivia	Stephanie and Elyza
<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Seb	Isabel G	Emilia	
<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Niyah	Bobby	Harper and Amy	

### **Comic Relief**

Thank you for your donations to Comic Relief on Friday 20<sup>th</sup>. We raised £162.90 for the charity.



### **Forest School Update**

As we approach the end of this term it will soon be the turn of the next class to join Mrs Buckmaster for Forest School sessions. In Summer 1 it will be Year 5 and in Summer 2 it will be Year 6.



I am pleased to let you know that our Year R children will be starting Forest School sessions on Friday mornings after Easter.



### **Chance to Shine**

Today we welcomed Leah from Chance to Shine to BVPS. Chance to Shine is a UK charity that aims to help young people play, learn, and develop through cricket. The organization focuses on providing cricket coaching, competition, and leadership development. Their programs not only promote physical activity, but also enhance personal development, including life skills such as leadership and teamwork. Today the children really enjoyed practising their cricket skills. They did very well!





## **Art in Chestnut Class**

This term the children in years 3 and 4 have been studying the Scottish illustrator Joanna Bashford and the landscape artist Vanessa Stone. They have produced some wonderful artwork.



"We have created some trees using wire. Some of them were inspired by Joanna Bashford. We twisted the wire to make the base. We had to leave a gap for the roots so we could use the roots to attach the tree to a stone so that the tree could stand up. We added tissue paper with glue to create blossom or leaves." Olivia

## **PE Days in Year 3 and 4**

After Easter, PE lessons in **Years 3 and 4** will change to **Tuesdays and Wednesdays**. Swimming continues for the first 2 weeks of term (Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> April).



## **100% Attendance Awards**

Well done to the 48 children who achieved 100% attendance this term. The children were presented with a special certificate to celebrate their achievement in assembly today.

## **Staffing Update**

Sadly, we say farewell to Mrs Roberts this week as she moves back to her full-time position at William Gilpin after Easter. We would like to thank Mrs Roberts for all that she has contributed to Beaulieu in the 8 years that she has worked with us. She will be greatly missed.

## **Happy Easter**

We hope that you have a lovely Easter break. We look forward to seeing the children back at school on **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April** for the start of the summer term.

Best wishes,

**Michelle Hale**  
Headteacher



## **Sport Update**

### **Y5/6 Netball Competition**

#### **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March**

The year 5/6 netball team were lucky enough to go to Priestlands on Wednesday (11<sup>th</sup>). I was so proud of them as we had no subs and we didn't have a break for 4 matches. Everyone was so enthusiastic and got right into the game. Everyone quickly found the positions they were best at and made sure to pass to everyone on their team. Everyone was so respectful in how they were always the first ones to go over and shake the other teams' hand and say well done. Bella M and Evie got the wristbands for teamwork. I was really proud of Lucy for making some passes and proud of Sophie F for trying her best, even though she hadn't played for a while and didn't have much practice. It was so much fun and they all did so well. I am so proud of them all and I couldn't have asked for any more of them. Well done everyone!

*Report written by Phoebe*





## **Walhampton Cross Country**

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March**

I was lucky enough to attend the Walhampton Cross Country event. It was really hard but everyone was determined to cross the finish line. Everyone should be really proud of themselves for how far they ran. They had to run around a field and through boggy, wet ground and also around many lakes before making it to the final stretch!

*Report from Oscar*

I was also lucky enough to take part in Walhampton's 46th annual Cross Country event. Year 4 had to run 1 mile. Even though it was shorter than year 5 and 6, it was still really tough! Year 5 and 6 had to run 1.4 miles but everyone was really resilient and everyone managed to get over the finish line!

Well done everyone!

*Report from Arthur*





## Y3/4 Hockey

### Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March

I was lucky enough to join some of the year 3s and 4s at the hockey competition at Priestlands.

Reef and I received the wristbands for teamwork and we all had lots of fun.

We all did really well and came 4th. I am really proud of my friends for rising to the challenge and for trying their very best. Everyone was really respectful and shook hands with the opposing team at the end of the matches.

Emilia and Emily did really well at dribbling with the ball and Emma and Benny did extremely well at passing.

DJ did great at finding lots of space and calling for the ball. Jack and Raife did good at defending.

We all loved it 😊

*Report by Maddison*





## **Y5/6 Hockey Tournament**

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March**

I was one of the lucky people who went to Priestlands to play in the hockey tournament. Ewan and Albert were brilliant at scoring and Millie was good at taking the ball off the opponent's team. Zac was a good back defender. Evie, Stephanie and Rogue were brilliant attackers.

Well done everyone!

*Report written by Barney*

I went with Barney to the hockey event. Barney did so well up front and stepped in at the last minute. We started off really well but the event was called off when we had two more games to play because it was hailing! We came back and had a hot chocolate!

Well done everyone!

*Report written by Zac*





## **Diary Dates 2025- 2026**

<b>Day</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Cricket Engagement Day	
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Parent Consultation Evening	After school
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>INSET Day</b>	
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> March – Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> April	EASTER Holiday 2026	
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> April	Year 4 swimming afternoon at Applemore	
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> April	Year 1 and 2 Trip to CET Centre – pond dipping and bug hunting	
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> April	Forest School sessions start for children in Year 5	
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> April	<b>Year 4 swimming afternoon at Applemore – new date</b>	
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> May	Class Photos - Make Photography	
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> – Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> May	KS2 SATS week	
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> – Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	Chestnut Class Residential to Tile Barn	
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> – Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4 x table check	
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 Phonics Screening Week	
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day	Parents are invited to join us for a picnic lunch on the field
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day – reserve date	
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Cyber Protection training for children in the juniors	
Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Beaulieu Village Fete	12 noon onwards
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> May	Summer HALF TERM Holiday 2026	
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July – Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> August	SUMMER Holiday 2026	

### **INSET Days for 2026-27**

- **Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2026**
- **Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2026**
- **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2026**
- **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2026**

One more date to follow.

### **FOBS Events:**

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March – Easter Egg Hunt after school



## **Vacancy: School Minibus Driver**

### **Would you like to join our friendly and supportive team in beautiful Beaulieu?**

The governors at Beaulieu Village Primary School wish to appoint a Minibus Driver to join our happy, dedicated and supportive team. The successful applicant will be responsible for working in partnership with the Headteacher and School Business Manager to transport some of our pupils to and from school every day to drive the school minibus to transport staff and/or pupils as and when required to do so.

The person we are looking for will:

- be a team player and a member of our community;
- ensure high standards of cleanliness and operational effectiveness
- have basic IT skills and to be confident using email
- undertake routine minibus driving and additional driving during the school day if required
- ensure vehicle maintenance and safety checks are undertaken for the minibus and properly documented and recorded
- ideally hold a category D1 Driving Licence
- work in a flexible manner to meet the needs of the school
- have a sense of humour

We offer:

- a welcoming, friendly and highly supportive staff;
- training, including MIDAS;

In addition to the before and after school run, there is also the opportunity for the successful candidate to work additional hours as a driver for regular class trips and fixtures.

The application form and job description information is available to download from the vacancies section on our school website [www.beaulieu.hants.sch.uk](http://www.beaulieu.hants.sch.uk)

- **Contract:** Permanent, part time
- **Contracted hours:** Up to 10 hours per week 7.45am – 8.45am and 3.15am - 4.15pm Monday – Friday  
Term time only
- **Salary:** HCC Support Staff - Grade B1 – 3 (£24796 - £25128 pro rata- actual salary £5733 - £5887)  
depending on experience and qualifications
- **Starting Date:** As soon as possible

Please feel free to contact Michelle for more information. Tel: 01590 612255

Beaulieu Village Primary School and Hampshire County Council are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. We will ensure that all our recruitment and selection practices reflect this commitment. All successful candidates will be subject to Disclosure checks along with other relevant employment checks.