



Newsletter 15 – Monday 27th April 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the summer term. We hope that you had a lovely Easter holiday. What a busy start to the term, so much has happened already!

Beaulieu's Best

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



Tommy Kiara Martha Thomas Millie Rogue

Well done everyone!

Goal Scoring Fun at Lunchtime!

Our playground has been buzzing thanks to the girls' football sessions that have been led by Ryan from School Games over the last few Tuesdays. It has been fantastic to see so many girls from both KS1 and KS2 taking part and sharpening their skills on the pitch. While they are learning plenty of new techniques, the main focus is always on having fun and building confidence. It's wonderful to see so many smiles and such great team spirit during the lunch break!



"I had a great time. The sessions were really fun!" Emma

"The sessions were really engaging and fun!" Sophie F

"I liked the fact the sessions involved all of the skills in a fun way!" Tilly



Patrick's Patch

This term, on Wednesday afternoons, the children in the infants are taking part in weekly visits to Patrick's Patch.

The children in Year R have enjoyed walking around the garden spotting different vegetables. They've seen apple blossoms, an olive tree that is 100 years old, cabbages under nets for protection from the birds and butterflies, strawberry and raspberry plants, a large compost heap filled with coffee and a huge bug house.



The children in Year 1 have enjoyed walking around the garden and have planted some sunflowers seeds.

"I liked looking at all of the creatures in the bug hotel!" Everly

"I liked looking at the apple tree because it was so pretty." Josh

"I enjoyed looking at all of the plants. I learnt that they have grown every week because they have had water and sunlight." Kai

Year 1 and 2 Trip to the CET Centre

On Thursday 16th years 1 and 2 visited the CET Treehouse Centre. The children went pond dipping and were very excited when the larger dragonfly nymphs and newts were caught. The children worked well in their groups, taking turns and making sure they all got to see the creatures. In addition, the children learnt about a simple woodland food chain and food web and about how the animals get their energy. Year 1 even went up the stairs to the top of the treehouse!





The children became fantastic minibeast hunters as they searched the forest floor, digging through leaves, turning over logs and checking out tree trunks in search of these small animals. They used a simple classification chart to sort the minibeasts according to the number of legs they had. Through volunteers dressing up as an insect, the children learnt how to identify which minibeasts belong to the insect group.

The children were also tasked in working as a team to make a suitable nest for a dormouse to help it stay safe and warm in the colder months. The children loved the 'warm water bottle dormouse' that was left snuggled up in their nest which was then later compared to a dormouse left just sitting without a nest. When they went back to check, they were delighted that their mouse was warmer than the mouse without a nest. It was great to see the planning and co-operation skills that the children demonstrated when building their nests.

Steve, from the CET, commented on what a lovely group of children they were. The staff and children were all glad the rain stopped and the sun came out!

"I loved the pond dipping because we caught lots of bugs. The newt was REALLY big!"
Brooke

"It was really fun because we got to go pond dipping and make houses for little mice. I loved going on the nature walk." Annabel

Forest School Sessions in Year 5

Year 5 are really enjoying their Forest School sessions with Mrs Buckmaster this term. In the last two weeks the children have taken part in a range of activities including fire striking, making God's eyes, learning how to hapa zome (print with plants and flowers) as well as learning some new team games.

"The sessions have been great fun. I loved digging!" Jacob

"The fire lighting activity was great!" Reggie

"I really enjoyed going on the rope swing." Evie





Earth Day



Last week we were thinking about Earth Day which is held every year on 22nd April. We came up with lots of ideas for how we can all make a difference. We could: plant pollinating flowers to preserve biodiversity; plant trees to help with the capture of carbon; reduce use of plastic and avoid single-use plastic; walk or cycle to school if possible. On Wednesday some of the children planted some new flowers around the front of the school with me.



Top Tips for Parents

The Children's Commissioner, Dame Rachel de Souza, has published a guide to help parents and carers navigate the challenge of managing children's everyday online habits. The guide is designed to make difficult conversations easier and more regular.



The guide covers setting boundaries around phone use, talking about harmful content, and building ongoing communication that goes beyond a one-off conversation. The voice of young people runs through it, including this from one teenager: "Don't be afraid to be firm... If you are worried your child is seeing harmful content and you don't know what they're watching and it's affecting their behaviour, just take it that you know best, they don't."

<https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/resource/what-i-wish-my-parents-or-carers-knew-a-guide-for-parents-and-carers-on-managing-childrens-digital-lives>



Sponsored Walk

Mrs Burt is planning our annual sponsored walk which will take place on **Wednesday 20th May**. The walk will go from school to Buckler's Hard and back. Year R children will only walk one way. Sponsorship forms will be sent out shortly. Mrs Burt will be looking for volunteers to help us on the day. If you are free, please contact her or email the school office.



Beaulieu Sailing Club

The sailing club has now officially begun its summer season and will continue running through term time until October half term. The children who have already taken part have thoroughly enjoyed their experience and are eagerly looking forward to the next session taking place tomorrow.

"Sailing is great fun because you get taught new things every week. You work at your own pace and don't get pushed too fast. The instructors are really nice." Stephanie

"Sailing is good because you get to learn a new skill and not many people get the opportunity to learn to sail!" DJ





Staffing Update

This term we welcome Miss Fordham to the school office team for two days a week. Miss Fordham joins us as part of the school's ongoing collaborative working relationship with the New Forest Learning Alliance. For Beaulieu, being part of the NFLA allows us to preserve the small school family approach we love, whilst also benefitting from high levels of professional development and support. Miss Fordham is already in post as the Finance Officer at South Baddesley Primary School and brings a wealth of financial experience to the staffing team.

Best wishes,

Michelle Hale
Headteacher

Beaulieu Camera Club Competition

Photography Competition

Beaulieu Camera Club are running a photography competition for the children at BVPS.

Theme: **'Our New Forest'**

Entries: a 6x4 inch (15.2 x 10.2 cm) or 7x5 inch (17.8 x 12.7cm) digital print.

(No photos of children please)

Categories: Each class as well as an overall school winner.



Deadline: Friday 26th June



All prints will be displayed on **Saturday 18th July** at **Beaulieu Fete**



Please send prints to the school office by **Friday 26th June**.





Sport Update

KS2 Tag Rugby



Last week a selection of year 3,4,5 and 6 were all lucky enough to play in a tag rugby competition at Priestlands. We all played very well across 4 different games. In our first game we lost 5-4 but everyone was really determined to keep trying. In our second game we won 4-3 and in our third game we lost 5-2. In our last game, we won 2-1. Year 5 and 6 had an impressive two wins.

Years 3 and 4 had an impressive couple of matches and for their first time they did really well. Felix scored some amazing tries. They were all very respectful to all the other teams and were the first people to shake hands. Reggie and Raife were awarded the 'Respect' wrist bands.

Well done everyone.

Report written by Arthur



Year 1/2 Futsal Tournament



I was lucky enough to take a very special group of children to a year 1 and 2 football tournament. Mr T, Mrs Bargh and I were all very impressed, they did so well and managed to take 2nd place. Alba and Mabel were amazing in defence. It was one of their first times playing football. Well done to you two.

Meanwhile up in attack, George, Kye and Bodhi were scoring goals for fun so well done to them! Brooke was amazing in goal, defence and attack and Henry was superb in goal too. Well done to those two!

Archie was controlling that midfield and it was him and Brooke who won the 'Respect' wristbands. With all of our fantastic players we got 2nd and we were so close to coming 1st. We won the same amount of games but the other team just scored more goals than. It was a great effort. Everyone should be really proud of themselves.

Well done everyone, you were amazing!

Report written by Oscar



Diary Dates 2025- 2026

Day	Event	Notes
Thursday 7th May	Class Photos - Make Photography	
Monday 11 th – Thursday 14th May	KS2 SATS week	
Monday 18 th – Tuesday 19 th May	Chestnut Class Residential to Tile Barn	
Wednesday 20 th May	Sponsored Walk to Buckler's Hard	More details to follow
Monday 1 st – Friday 12 th June	Year 4 x table check	
Wednesday 3 rd June	Induction Meeting for new Year R parents at 6pm	
Monday 8 th – Friday 12 th June	Year 1 Phonics Screening Week	
Tuesday 16 th June	2-3pm New Year R Stay and Play Session 1	
Wednesday 17 th June	Sports Day	Parents are invited to join us for a picnic lunch on the field
Tuesday 23 rd June	2-3pm New Year R Stay and Play Session 2	
Wednesday 24 th June	Sports Day – reserve date	
Wednesday 1 st July	Work Sharing 3-3.30pm	
Thursday 2 nd July	2-3pm New Year R Stay and Play Session 3	
Thursday 9 th July	2-3pm New Year R Teddy Bears' Picnic	
Thursday 9 th July	KS2 Performances	Afternoon and evening performances
Friday 10 th July	KS2 Performance	Evening performance
Wednesday 15th July	Cyber Protection training for children in the juniors	
Saturday 18th July	Beaulieu Village Fete	12 noon onwards
Monday 20 th July	Lord and Lady Montagu's Summer Tea Party	Afternoon event
Tuesday 21 st July	2.30pm Year 6 Leavers' Service	Parents welcome
Wednesday 22 nd July	Beaulieu's Got Talent	Morning event
Monday 25 th – Friday 29 th May	Summer HALF TERM Holiday 2026	
Thursday 23 rd July – Monday 31 st August	SUMMER Holiday 2026	

New dates in red

INSET Days for 2026-27

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

One more date to follow.