

Newsletter 18th October 2024

For Pupils, Parents, Carers,
Governors and Friends

What is happening at Beechview

Parent Coffee Afternoons

On Monday 21st October we are hosting our second Parent Coffee Afternoon with support from our community police team: PCSO C. Bennett and PCSO A. Williams. They are coming to talk about Social Media and Online Safety, a topic I know we all need continued support with as it is ever changing. Today's technology is fantastic but can also create many worries. Come to the meeting to learn more about supporting your children and have any questions answered by our wonderful PCSOs.

It begins at 2.30pm and there will be refreshments!
Please confirm your attendance by clicking on the following link:
[Coffee Afternoon Google Form Sign Up](#)

AIM High Writing Day with James Carter

We hosted our first AIM High Writing Day of the academic year on Monday 14th October. The focus this time was poetry and we were delighted to welcome the poet James Carter, who kindly shared some of his favourites and imparted new poetry strategies for the children who attended. It was lovely to see children from other local schools come and experience Beechview Academy for a day. We looked forward to our next AIM High Writing Day.



Spark 2 Life Workshops

We are pleased to begin working with the initiative Spark2Life again after several years. They work with children in Years 6 and 5, who are from ethnically diverse backgrounds to support them in making positive choices about their futures. They do this by helping them develop skills in 5 core areas: self-awareness, emotional literacy, relationship & communication skills, responsible decision making and emotional resilience. After half term, we will begin looking to also offer 1:1 mentoring for a limited number of pupils. We hope the children enjoy the sessions and get a lot out of it.

Senior Student Leadership Training with RGS

Our Year 6 Student Senior Leadership Team begin this years training programme with some of the prefects from the Royal Grammar School visiting. The prefects had planned some wonderful workshops focusing on problem-solving, budgeting and public speaking. Our SSLT really stood up to the challenge and it was great seeing the many future leaders we have.



Weekly Attendance Champions:

11/10/24 - 4 Elm 96.97%
18/10/24 - 6 Pine 96.22%

Whole school Attendance this week:

93.15%

Reading Champions:

Well done to 6 Pine, who achieved over 90% again!

Please make sure your child reads everyday as the benefits are huge!



Important dates this term:

- OCTOBER - Black History Month
- Mon 21st Oct - Parent Coffee Afternoon 2
- Thurs 24th October - School Finishes at 3:15pm
- Fri 25th Oct - INSET DAY
- Mon 28th Oct - Fri 1st Nov - Half Term
- Mon 4th Nov - School Starts
- Tues 31st Oct - Secondary School Application Deadline
- Mon 11th Nov - Fri 15th Nov - Anti-Bullying Week
- Tues 12th Nov - Y2 Open Day
- Fri 15th Nov - Children in Need
- Mon 18th Nov - Fri 22nd Nov - Road Safety Week
- Tues 10th Dec/Weds 11th Dec - Parent Meetings
- Fri 20th Dec - School Finishes at 1:15pm
- Fri 20th Dec - Fri 3rd Jan - Christmas Holidays
- Mon 6th Jan - Tues 7th Jan - INSET DAYS

Update from the Headteacher

As we are already coming to the close of Autumn 1, I can say we have had a wonderful start to this academic year. Routines are nicely embedded and the learning already has been phenomenal. Our year 3's are nicely settled and now know their way around the school perfectly.

Our who school topic this half term has been 'We are a Community' and what a community we have become. The children have developed some excellent map skills to talk through their area, with Year 4 and 5 really looking at the history of High Wycombe through their learning about the Romans and WW2. Year 3 and 5 have looked at some of our famous locals that have left a legacy on the world and area, from Lorna Cassidy to Kenneth Grahame - and as expected the Rye has played a key role in this half term!

We are already looking ahead to next half terms whole school topic, 'We are Artists' with all the teachers visiting the art department at John Hampden Grammar School next week to get some expert training - I am excited to see the many secret artists we have embedded in our staff, let alone in our whole school! Along with this training, on the inset day on Friday all staff will be involved in the second day of in depth phonics training. At Beechview, we recognise the importance of early reading and it is power in future learning.

As this is the final newsletter this half term, I wish you a wonderful half term. Enjoy the halloween festivities if you partake and take care around fireworks over the bonfire weekend. Enjoy time with each other over half term and share a story or two!

Yours Sincerely,
Mrs Parry-Woolner

Something to celebrate!

The most dojo points collected:

Since wb 7th October:

- 30 - Freddie
- 4C - Emilia
- 4E - Imogen
- 5H - Mahmud
- 5W - Natanie
- 6P - Frances, Seahjeen



House: Inspiration

Since wb 14th October:

- 30 - Scott
 - 4C - Rishvan
 - 4E - Emily
 - 5H - Mahmud
 - 5W - Chinedu
 - 6P - Frances, Lilly
- House: Inspiration**

Whole school Attendance 11/10/24:

90.77%

Don't forget to sign up to the ASDA cashpot! So far we have raised:

£67.85

Thank you to all those who have signed up already.

CASHPOT FOR SCHOOLS



Stars of the Week



11/10/24



18/10/24