

THANK YOU

Last week we made an appeal for donations of clothes, toys and games for two families in need. We are overwhelmed by the kindness that has been shown and the families and children are absolutely thrilled with the items they have been given. Some people have been out and bought things especially. We weren't expecting that - this really is above and beyond. We are always proud of our school, but this has made us burst with pride at the generosity of the community we serve. Thank you all so much.

HARVEST COLLECTION

We are also delighted with our growing harvest collection. We will continue to collect items until Wednesday 23rd October. If you have not yet brought any items in, please do so; we welcome any food items that are in tins or packets with a long use-by date. Please do not send fridge or freezer items. Thank you again for your generosity.

TEXT MESSAGES

Some parents have reported that they are not receiving text messages that we are sending. There are two possibilities here: First, please make sure we always have your correct mobile number. Second, if you have downloaded the Teachers2Parents app, the messages will go there and might not appear as text messages. Therefore, please make sure you set your Teachers2Parents notifications to "on" so that you are alerted when we send a message.

MRS. HITCHINSON

We didn't tell you this at the time, because she was insistent that she didn't want a fuss and wanted to slip away quietly, but Mrs. Hitchinson retired from her role as a teaching assistant two weeks ago. Mrs. Hitchinson has been a great asset to our team for a number of years and she is already missed. She has made a huge difference to many children and we are grateful for her contributions. We wish her every happiness in her retirement, which will no doubt be spent playing bowls and looking after her beloved grandchildren. We are in the process of recruiting a new teaching assistant to work in Year 4 in the first instance and we hope to be able to make an announcement soon.

MR. ALI'S QUOTE OF THE WEEK

Some inspiring words about the importance of reading, chosen by our English leader, Mr. Ali:

"Reading is essential for those who seek to rise above the ordinary." Jim Rohn

Please read with your child as often as you can.

POPPY APPEAL

Next week we will begin selling items for the Poppy Appeal, all with **suggested minimum donations**. These include stick-on poppies (20p), zip pulls (50p), reflectors (50p), wristbands (£1) and snap bands (£1.50). They will be on sale every day while stocks last. Please give generously to this appeal and wear your poppies and other items with pride.

BEECHES GREEN PAGES

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RIGHTS OF THE CHILD ARTICLE 42

Each week, our children will write a short piece about one of the Rights of the Child. Article 42 says: *"You have the right to know about your rights! Adults should know about these rights and help you to learn about them too."* Hania and Myah, two of our Rights Respecting Ambassadors, say: "We think this article would relate to this week because everyone in Beeches Junior School should know about the rights through their teachers and the Rights Respecting Ambassadors."

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHER

Advance notice that the school photographer is in school on Tuesday 5th November. On that day, please make sure your child brings in their school jumper or cardigan. If they do not have one, or if their jumper or cardigan has become dirty during the day, we will ask them to wear a spare one for the photograph. Please inform us if you do not wish us to do this. Thank you. More details about the photographer's visit and the opportunity for sibling photos will follow soon.

BEECHES BRILLIANT WRITERS

Last week's winners: Amrit (Cedars)

This week: Help!

THIS WEEK'S TEAM POINTS

1	Red Phoenix	641
2	Green Griffins	612
3	Yellow Unicorns	570
4	Blue Dragons	545

ATTENDANCE

Whole School This Week: 96.8% This Year So Far: 96.9%

PUPIL OF THE WEEK

Elms: Amelia	Cedars: Alex
Firs: Alicia	Pines: Simrita
Oaks: Frankie	Sycamores: Evie
Birches: Quaivion	Chestnuts: Elham
Palms: Joban	Magnolias: Leona
Spruces: Lexie	Willows: Dallas

DIARY DATES

Tue 22 & Wed 23 Oct	Parents' evenings
Thu 24 Oct, 9.00am	Year 5 Diwali assembly
Fri 25 Oct	Break up for half term
Mon 4 Nov	School reopens
Tue 5 Nov	Photographer in school
Wed 13 Nov	Year 5 sports morning at Arena
Thu 14 Nov, 9.05am	Year 6 Inspire Workshop
Tue 19 Nov	Flu vaccinations
Thu 21 Nov	Year 5 Greek Workshop
Fri 20 Dec	Break up for Christmas

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