

## NEXT WEEK

A couple of reminders about next week:

On Thursday we have our Rights Respecting Day. This is a non-uniform day. We ask for an optional donation of £1; we realise that we have asked for a donation this week for the bushfire appeal and we will have Sport Relief coming up in March, so a donation for this is not compulsory, but if you can donate, the money will go to UNICEF to support their work with children around the world.

Friday 31st January is a Teacher Day and school is closed to pupils. Please note that the infant school is open as usual on Friday. We apologise for any inconvenience this causes; we usually co-ordinate our Teacher Days, but on this occasion, there was a particular training opportunity that was relevant to us and not to the infants. We hope the children enjoy the long weekend!

## NON-UNIFORM DAY/BUSHFIRE APPEAL

Thank you for your donations to the bushfire appeal on Thursday. We raised a total of £377.19, all of which will be sent to support the efforts in Australia.

## PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION

We had one nomination for the post of Parent Governor, which means that we don't need to hold an election, and Mrs. Jenny Silvers-Lunt, who has two children at the school, is elected as our new Parent Governor on a four-year term. We look forward to working with her.

## CHILDREN'S MOBILE PHONES

We allow children to bring mobile phones to school if there is a reason related to their safety and wellbeing for them to do so. We expect all our Year 3 and Year 4 children to be brought to school and collected from school, so there should be no reason for them to need to bring a phone to school. Some of our Year 5 and Year 6 children do go home alone, so if you feel that they will be safer with a phone, we do allow this and will keep their phone in the office. Please note that phones are brought in at your own risk, and school will not accept responsibility for loss or damage. It is also worth considering whether having a phone does actually make them safer; there have been incidents in the local area of children having phones stolen from them. Next week, we will be sending out new permission forms for Year 5 and Year 6; nobody should bring a phone in unless a permission form has been completed. Thank you for your co-operation.

## OUTDOOR P.E.

Please remember that unless the weather is horrendous, we go ahead with outdoor P.E., even on cold days. Please ensure that your child has a plain tracksuit to wear for outdoor P.E. so that they can stay warm during winter P.E. lessons.

## MR. ALI'S QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Reading is to the mind what exercise is to the body." – Joseph Addison

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## RRSA SILVER AWARD

On 11th February, school is being assessed for the Silver Award. The assessor would like to meet some parents whose children have discussed the rights at home. If your child has discussed the rights with you and you would be willing to give up 20 minutes of your time to meet the assessor as part of a group, please contact Ms Guest via the school office or at [j.guest@beechesjnr.bham.sch.uk](mailto:j.guest@beechesjnr.bham.sch.uk)

## PARKING

We have had a complaint this week from a local resident about a parent parking on their drive, and then speaking in an abusive manner when challenged about it. This reflects poorly on our school and sets a damaging example to the children. Please respect our neighbours and their properties.

## GENRE AWARDS THIS WEEK

Bronze: Afsah, Aisha, Evan, Jesuferanmi, Lola and Rihanna (all Elms) & Tanish (Cedars)  
Silver: Grace, Laila & Nifemi (all Elms)

## BEECHES BRILLIANT WRITERS

Last week's winner: Zarai (Pines)  
This week's title: Mr. Opposite

## THIS WEEK'S TEAM POINTS

1	Blue Dragons	837
2	Red Phoenix	757
3	Yellow Unicorns	742
4	Green Griffins	699

## PEN LICENCES THIS WEEK

Anisha, Dyantae and Jacob (all Sycamores)

## ATTENDANCE

Whole School This Week: 95.3% This Year So Far: 95.9%

## PUPIL OF THE WEEK—LAST WEEK

Elms: Michaela	Cedars: Harleen
Firs: Amelia	Pines: Inaaya
Oaks: Tyler	Sycamores: Dylan
Birches: Dylan	Chestnuts: Libby
Palms: Finley	Magnolias: Shamyla
Spruces: Jessica	Willows: Adanna

## DIARY DATES

Thu 30 Jan	Rights Respecting School Day
Fri 31 Jan	Teacher Day
Tue 11 Feb, 9.00am	Year 5 Inspire Workshop
Tue 11 & Wed 12 Feb	Parents' Evenings
Thu 13 Feb, 9.00am	Year 4 Inspire Workshop
Fri 14 Feb	Break up for half term
Mon 24 Feb	School reopens
Mon 9 Mar	Science Day

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