

# BEECHES GREEN PAGES

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## BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

We have some news about the before and after school provision at our school. For some years, this has been run by a private company, namely Beeches Kids and Training (BKT). We have taken the decision to cease this arrangement with BKT and run the provision ourselves with effect from the start of the Spring Term. We are thankful to BKT for running this provision which I know many of you have relied on.

In the coming weeks, we will be consulting with the parents and children that make use of the provision in order to make our plans and ensure that we are providing a service that works for everyone - that is fun and safe for all children, that gives them a good start to the day and something to look forward to at the end of the day. We anticipate that the timings will remain the same and the price will be the same or similar, but we will confirm these details in the coming weeks. We will make clear from the outset that we do aim to run this provision at a modest profit. 100% of any profit made will go into our school budget and will be used to benefit the children.

We will keep you updated as we go along - there is a lot to sort out, but we are very excited to be taking over this provision.

## PARENT GOVERNOR VACANCY

A reminder that the deadline for nominations for the post of Parent Governor is Monday 8th November.

## PHOTOGRAPHER

The photographer will be in school on Tuesday 9th November, taking individual photos of all children. You have the option of bringing siblings to have their photos taken from 3.20pm - we will text you the arrangements for this next week.

## CULTURAL DAY

We had a brilliant time on our Cultural Day just before half term. Below, some of our children have written about what they got up to:

*On the 22<sup>nd</sup> October in Beeches Junior School we had a day dedicated to Black culture. In the morning we made our dough for our vegetable patties. After break we put the vegetables in the patties and sent them to the oven.*

*After lunch we did the dance Jerusalema and learnt it. Then we did African drumming which was loads of fun. We learnt different types of beats and techniques. Once we had finished with that, we ate our vegetable patties which were yummy!*

Amelia, 6LA

*On culture day we made a fruit salad. We also did some African art. It was an excellent and educating day. We all had fun and we all felt happy.*

Jessica, 3AL

*The African drumming was loads of fun and we learnt to do a traditional African beat. It was my first time doing it and I really enjoyed it.*

Omari, 5SM

*The Grater cakes were really nice. I would recommend making them at home but be prepared, it's really sweet, so if you are a person that likes sugar then try this.*

Dylan, 5SM

*Last Friday, we celebrated Cultural Day. In Year 4, one of the activities we did was carnival arts and crafts. We did this in honour of Notting Hill Carnival. We made masks, wings and headbands; glitter went all over the floor and it looked like a disco party! Next, we made a fruit salad using yogurt, kiwi, honey and more. Lastly, we did dancing to Jerusalema and learnt the moves. We also played music with the musical instruments. We enjoyed having the opportunity to take part in different activities and liked learning about different cultures. It was a great day to end the term. It's all about celebrating Caribbean and African heritage, arts, and culture - including music, food, and dancing.*

Dhillon and Holly (4RW)

## FOOTBALL

Lilly (6KA) has written about a football match that took place this week. It went quite well...

*On Tuesday, the Beeches girls were in action again, with Amelia (5CL) joining the squad for her first game. We welcomed St. Teresa's girls' team and played a friendly match together. It was a good game and in the end, Beeches ran out 11-0 winners.*

## CHILDREN IN NEED

Friday 19th November is Children In Need day and we will have a non-uniform day that day. Children can wear Pudsey accessories, such as hairbands, wristbands and badges. We ask that you give a minimum donation of £1 if you can. Please pay this via School Money or directly to Children In Need via this link:

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=3914>

## DIARY DATES

Mon 8 Nov	Year 5 Diwali assembly
Tue 9 Nov	Photographer in school
Fri 19 Nov	Children in Need - non-uniform
Fri 17 Dec	Last day of term

## BEECHES BRILLIANT READERS

Year 3: Ilkai (3SP)	Year 4: Liam (4RW)
Year 5: Sahej (5CL)	Year 6: Sawan (6LA)

## TEAM POINTS THIS WEEK

1	Team Cadbury (Red)	606
2	Team Zephaniah (Green)	479
3	Team Malala (Yellow)	436
4	Team Lewis (Blue)	343

## PUPIL OF THE WEEK

3AL: Dominic	4AP: Charlotte	5CL: Sophia	6IS: Neha
3AP: Munya	4KP: Syed	5CS: K'Mari	6KA: Renesmee
3SP: Jasmin	4RW: Cian	5SM: Izzie	6LA: Jaya

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