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EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY WEEK

Next week, pupils will be learning about and celebrating our Equality and Diversity week. Each year group will have a specific focus; Year 3 disability, Year 4 race, Year 5 religion and Year 6 gender, with LGBT+ as an overarching theme. This week will include a non-uniform day on Friday 24th June where pupils are invited to wear something that represents equality and diversity (e.g. traditional cultural clothes, rainbow colours). We will also be marking Windrush day on Wednesday 22nd June and all classes will be reading 'Coming to England' by Floella Benjamin. We hope that your child shares their learning with you at home - please talk to them about what they've been up to.

SUMMER FAYRE

We are holding our school Summer Fayre on Tuesday 28th June, 3:30-5:00pm, with lots of exciting activities planned. If you would like to set up a stall to sell products, please get in touch with Miss Butt (s.butt@beechesjnr.bham.sch.uk) to arrange a stall for a fee of £25. Please contact Miss Butt by Wednesday 22nd June.

BEECHES BUSY KIDS CLUB

As we're sure you are aware, we now run the before and after school provision, known as Beeches Busy Kids Club. The children take part in all sorts of activities, including sports, games, arts and crafts or just chilling out, chatting to friends. They are also given breakfast/an afternoon snack. There is a fee, but we are able to accept childcare vouchers. The numbers attending haven't yet risen back to pre-pandemic levels, so there are spaces available. If you are interested in accessing this provision, or would like to make any suggestions as to how we make it even better, please phone the office email: bbkc@beechesjnr.bham.sch.uk

SPORTS DAY

It was great to welcome so many of you on Monday afternoon for our Sports Day. Jahmari and Maya (4RW) have written about the afternoon and there are some photos on the back page. Congratulations Team Lewis! As you may know, On Monday we celebrated Sports Day with Team Lewis coming first, Team Zephaniah second, Team Malala third and Team Cadbury fourth. Sports day consisted of 12 activities: relay, penalty shoot-out, bean

Sports day was fun, and if you missed it, you missed out! It was great to see our parents coming to see their children participate in all of the activities. We hope you enjoyed Sports day as much as we did!

bag throwing and many more.

TIMES TABLE RHYMES

I ate and ate 'til I was sick on the floor... 8 times 8 is 64 Saving the world is our fate... 9 times 12 is 108
A beautiful world we'll create... 12 times 9 is 108
Fancy a trip to the zoo? 6 times 7 is 42
At the zoo, I saw elephant poo... 7 times 6 is 42

HOT WEATHER

This week we have experienced some very high temperatures and a lot of sunshine! As pleasant as that is for many of us, it's vital that we keep our children safe and well. Please ensure that your child comes in with a suitable hat or cap to protect them from the sun on such days. We do not apply sun protection cream to children, but we would strongly advise you to do so before they come to school at the start of each day. Please remember, as part of our uniform policy, children are permitted to wear smart grey or black shorts or green and white gingham dresses.

CANAL VISIT

Ahmad (4RW) has written about the visits to the canal that some of our children had this week:

Year 4 and 5 went to the Tame Valley Canal on Tuesday. During the visit, we saw small water creatures such as tadpoles and skippers. We also saw insects: bees, flies, spiders and wasps! We also went on a walk to different parts of the canals and saw how locks help canal barges move up and down hills. It was so much fun there and we hope we go for another visit!

FIELD AND TRIM TRAIL

Further to last week's requests about bikes and scooters not being ridden on the school site, and about children staying off the Priestley Smith climbing frame, we would also ask that children stay off the field and trim trail at the end of the day. We have had quite a few younger and older siblings going on it. Not only does this increase wear -and-tear, it is also a concern because this equipment is not suitable for younger or older children. Thank you for your co-operation.

DIARY DATES

Mon 20 - Fri 24 June Equality and Diversity Week Fri 24 June Non-uniform day Tue 28 June Summer Fayre/non-uniform day Wed 29 June, 6.00pm Year 2 parents'/carers' meeting Mon 4 July Year 6 visit to Drayton Manor Wed 6 July Transition Day - visit new classes Mon 11 - Wed 13 July Year 6 residential visit to Condover Mon 18 (pm) & Year 6 performance Tue 19 (am) July

TEAM POINTS THIS WEEK

Last day of term

1 Team Cadbury (Red) 728 2 Team Zephaniah (Green) 653 3 Team Lewis (Blue) 632 4 Team Malala (Yellow) 602

BEECHES BRILLIANT READERS

Year 3: Noah P (3SP) Year 4: Freya (4RW) Year 5: Sonia (5CL) Year 6: Daisy (6IS)

PUPIL OF THE WEEK

3AL: Dani 4AP: Lexi 5CL: Arjun 6IS: Aqib 3AP: Ezekiel 4KP: Kyan 5CS: Joseph 6KA: Lilly 3SP: Ella 4RW: Halima 5SM: Adam 6LA: Jessica

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