

THE HOBBIT

Next Wednesday, our friends at M&M Productions are joining us again to perform "The Hobbit" for all our children in the hall. This will take place during school time and is fully funded by school so there is no charge for you. Please ask your child about it after school on Wednesday!

COMIC RELIEF

On Friday 17th March, we will be raising money for Comic Relief. It will be a non-uniform day and we encourage children to wear red to school on the 17th but we will not be selling red noses in school. Instead, we are going to have a cake sale. We are asking for donations of cakes or biscuits which we will then sell at break and home time - please bring these in on Thursday 16th March or first thing on Friday 17th. As our Macmillan coffee morning was such a success, we are hoping to replicate this for Comic Relief. If you wish to donate any cakes or biscuits, please make sure that they are nut free; children can bring cash in to school to buy the cakes. Cakes will be either 20p, 50p or £1; please bring change. If you are able to donate money to Comic Relief for the non uniform day, this can be done via SchoolMoney.

WORLD BOOK DAY

We really enjoyed World Book Day - thank you for supporting us by sorting out some brilliant costumes! We are very grateful to Miss Abraham for arranging all the activities children took part in, and to our friends from Arena and the infant school for joining in with us. Congratulations to our competition winners - Riley (3JW), Aalaya (4P), Kobi (5A) and Izzie (6A). Here's what two of our children had to say about it the day:

Lena (5P) writes:

On World Book Day we were able to dress as a character from a book. In the morning, we did lots of activities, such as Rune writing and reading and middle earth maps. In the afternoon, we went down to Year 1 to read with them and made bookmarks. Working with the Year 1s was my favourite part of the day.

Dolten (6S) writes:

This Thursday was World Book Day; people all around the world dressed as their favourite character from their favourite book. World Book Day is a day when people share their favourite book with people they have never met before. At Beeches Junior School people were whoever they wanted to be: Spider-Man, Hulk, Black Panther or even Willy Wonka. World Book Day allowed us to enter our favourite comic or book without actually going there. Beeches Junior School held a competition to see who had the best World Book Day costume and guess who won... Riley (3JW) disguised as a car! Year 5 and Year 6 spent time reading with children from Beeches Infants; meanwhile Years 3 and 4 spent time with Arena students. Year 3 and 4 were probably flabbergasted by the fact that the kids from secondary school looked like they were giants (some say they were giants)! Usually, Year 5 and 6 do normal lessons, but on Thursday they did many fun activities with Year 1 and 2: reading, artwork, book reviews and more. All of the year groups at Beeches enjoyed World Book Day; it has a special place in everybody's heart!

INDUSTRIAL ACTION

You will probably be aware of ongoing industrial action affecting some schools. The next days of scheduled action are 15th and 16th March. We have been advised that we will not be affected by this and school will remain fully open on both days. Even if that were to change, which is extremely unlikely, our Mother's Day event would still go ahead on Thursday 16th, and everyone who has booked would still be able to attend.

MOTHER'S DAY

The deadline for payments for our Mother's Day afternoon is Thursday 9th March. Full details of the afternoon are on our last newsletter which you can find here:

<https://tinyurl.com/bjsnewsletters>

We will not be able to accept any bookings after Thursday 9th, so please make sure you don't miss out.

UNIFORM SURVEY

A last call for people to complete our uniform survey - this will close on Monday: <https://tinyurl.com/bjsuniformparents>

TEACHER DAY

Monday 20th March will be a Teacher Day and school will be closed to children. Please note that the infant school is open as usual that day. We align most of our Teacher Days with the infant school for the convenience of families with children at both schools, but occasionally, there are training opportunities and priorities that mean we have to have them on different days. We apologise for any inconvenience.

DIARY DATES

Wed 8 Mar	"The Hobbit" performance
Thu 16 Mar, 1.30pm	Mother's Day event
Fri 17 Mar	Comic Relief - non-uniform
Mon 20 Mar	Teacher Day - school closed
Thu 23 Mar	Year 6 church visit
Fri 24 Mar, 9.05am	Year 4 reading workshop
Mon 27 - Wed 29 Mar	Year 4 Woodlands residential
Thu 30 Mar	Year 3 synagogue & library visit
Fri 31 Mar	Last day of term
Mon 17 Apr	School reopens

TEAM POINTS THIS WEEK

1	Team Lewis	673
2	Team Cadbury	641
3	Team Zephaniah	630
4	Team Malala	578

BEECHES BRILLIANT READERS

Year 3: Ayesha (3RW)	Year 4: Ezekiel (4AS)
Year 5: Lena (5P)	Year 6: Liam (6M)

PUPIL OF THE WEEK

3JW: Reice	4AS: Ezekiel	5A: Jaipal	6A: Aadi
3P: Saidan	4L: Talvyn	5L: James	6M: Leisha
3RW: Alicia	4P: Mya	5P: Lily	6S: Aisha

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