### LAST DAY OF TERM

Today is the last day of the autumn term. It has been a very long term, and it is strange to keep going so close to Christmas, but everyone has worked extremely hard and we are proud of all that our children have achieved this term. We have really enjoyed all our Christmas events this year, including the Christmas Winter Trail, the Year 4 Christmas production and today's Carols by Candlelight. Thank you to everyone involved in putting these together. It's time for a bit of a break now! We wish everyone celebrating a wonderful Christmas and here's to a fantastic happy and healthy 2024 for us all! We look forward to welcoming you all back on Tuesday 9th January.

### **MR WHEATLEY**

This week we have said goodbye to Mr Wheatley after 15 years working as a teacher here. We are sad to see him go but very proud that he is moving on to an Assistant Headteacher position in another school. Mr Wheatley has written the following message to you all:

"I wanted to take the opportunity to say good bye and thank you for welcoming me into your community for the last 15 years. Of the children that are currently at Beeches, I have taught over 100 in my class for at least a term. I know there are also many of you of whom I have taught your older sons or daughters. Some I have seen since as they have grown into adults; there are some parents and children I've been fortunate enough to call colleagues. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time working in Great Barr and will miss all of the fayres, shows and, of course, parents' evenings which were always wonderful experiences. I wish you and your children a lovely Christmas and all the best for the future. Thank you. Richard Wheatley"

Best wishes for the future to you and your family, Mr Wheatley, and thank you for everything you have done for our children and our school community over the vears!

### **BARR VIEW HOLIDAY CAMP**

Children eligible for free school meals are able to claim three free days at a holiday camp being held at Erdington Academy, with free transport on offer from Barr View Primary School. You can find more information on the poster on the next page. In order to book, you will need the code which has been sent by email to all eligible families this week. This is not a Beeches Junior School event but we work with Spark Active a lot and they have a lot of experience in working with schools and school children so we are happy to let you know about this camp. We recommend you carry out your own due diligence to ensure your child is safeguarded.

# WHOLE SCHOOL THEATRE VISIT

We are really looking forward to our whole school visit to The Rep theatre to watch The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe on 25th January. If you haven't already, please pay a contribution of £23.60 as soon as you can via school money. We are only able to provide experiences like these if we get people's contributions in. If you are struggling and would like to pay in installments, please contact Mrs Flint (I.flint@beechesjnr.bham.sch.uk) for a confidential discussion. Thank you.

### STARS AWARD WINNERS

Thank you to all the parents, carers and family members who came to our Stars assemblies this week and congratulations to all our award winners. They are:

3C: Bobby, Martha, Sarah, Eesa, Avneet

3L: Harriet, Frankie, Elsa, Freddie, Ava

3P: Heavenly, T'Jay, Isaac, Maya, Ethan

3W: Lily, Krish, Alfie, Gurpal, Ethan

4B: Amari, Zulgarnain, Isaac, Bineta, Demari, Alfie

4F: Ibrahim, Janet, Lexi-Jai, Daya, Aryan, Nehemiah

4L: Aman, Layla-Rose, Ellie, Eshan, Kaiden, Antonia

5A: Dhanvi, Lilly, Bintou, Cian, Ottis, Arjun

5P: Mysha, Harry, Umaiza, Tanveer, Jessica, Christos

5W: Savannah, Maksym, Manal, Noah, Melayah, Daneen

6IS: Nabid, Richmond, Nihal, Lily, Hamza, Olivia 6MS: Ayana, Logan, Aleena, Max, Esther, Nico

6SM: Freya, Cian, Lujaina, Halima, Kaejan, Isaiah

# **BLACK HISTORY MONTH COMPETITION**

We had a very high standard of entries for our Black History Month competition celebrating black women and it has taken us a while to go through them and pick our winners. Thank you to everyone who entered and congratulations to our winners: Kobi-Marcus (6MS), Asher (6IS) and Amilaah (3C).

# **DIARY DATES**

Mon 8 Jan 2024 Teacher Day - school closed

Tue 9 Jan School reopens

Thu 11 Jan Professor McGinty visiting Year 3 Tue 16 Jan Year 6 visit to Steelhouse Lane Thu 25 Jan Whole school visit to the theatre

Fri 9 Feb Break up for half term

Mon 19 Feb School reopens

# **PUPIL OF THE WEEK**

**TEAM POINTS** 

Pupil of the Week will return in 2024!

# **BEECHES BRILLIANT READERS**

Year 3: Isabel (3P) Team Zephaniah Year 4: Kelsey (4B) 2. Team Cadbury Year 5: Arjun (5A) 3. Team Lewis Year 6: Esther (6MS) Team Malala

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# CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY FUN



Barr view camp (hosted at Erdington Academy)





ARRIVE AT BARR VIEW AT 9.45am
A coach will transport the children to Erdington
Academy. Collection from Barr View at 3pm



ALL CHILDREN ACCESSING THE FREE PLACES MUST HAVE A
VALID BRING IT ON BRUM CODE.
WE WILL CHECK ELIGIBILITY WITH THE SCHOOL

All staff have enhanced DBS checks & have experience working with children





# BOOK NOW III

**USE THE QR CODE OR WEBSITE LINK** 

https://bookings.kssp.co.uk/list Search for Barr View Bring It on Brum Winter Camp









