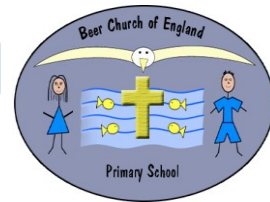




Beer C of E Primary School

Friday Flier - 7



Friday 4th November 2016

Executive Headteacher: Miss Rebecca Porter

Chair of Governors: Mrs Jean Smith

COMING UP	
Tuesday 8 th November	Open Morning for prospective parents for September 2017 - 9.30-11am
Tuesday 8 th November	Yr 5/6 Football tournament at Seaton Primary School (selected children)
Wednesday 9 th November	Yr 5/6 Football tournament at Beer Primary School (selected children)
Wednesday 16 th November	Flu vaccinations - Yrs 1, 2 & 3 (where consent forms have been returned)

A message from the headteacher:

I hope you have had a good week back after the half term break. It is great to be back but as soon as we returned to the hustle and bustle of school life, it feels like we've never been away. It has been great to hear about the adventures the children have had over half term; by contrast, I seem to have had a rather quiet week off! It has been a hectic week this week for me as I am participating in a new Church of England professional development course which is being piloted this year. Amongst other things, it involves a two day conference in Somerset once a term with my first two days being this week.

I am pleased to say that we have appointed Mrs Amanda Blackmore as our new Federation Administration/Finance manager. She brings a wealth of experience to the post and is very familiar with school settings. I know that she is very much looking forward to joining our Federation in January. Before Christmas, she is hoping to be able to spend some time with Mrs Gibbs so that there is a smooth handover. Without a doubt, this next half term will fly by with the countdown to Christmas shortening by the day - 7 weeks and counting now I think! Finally, I am pleased to say that we have some baby news ... Mrs Timmins gave birth to a baby girl on Sunday and both mum and baby are doing well. She is called Daisy and weighed an impressive 9lb 5oz!

Best wishes,

Miss Porter

THE CHILDREN'S WEEK

Class 1: It was our turn to reflect on Jeremy's assembly this week, and I was very impressed with the children's responses and how they related the assembly to our core values. As a wow moment to spark off our topic on a Starry Night, the children enjoyed looking at sparklers and using their senses to describe them. Their fantastic ideas are on our learning wall. Linked to this we have started looking at the story Laura's Star and the children have enjoyed listening to and retelling the story with the aid of our own broken star. Year 1 have sequenced pictures of the story with accompanying writing. Reception have practised letter formation and used the sounds they know to write simple words with me. Our Maths learning has focused on 2d shape. A feely bag of shapes has been used to learn to name the shapes and count their edges and corners and we have used tissue paper to make triangle autumn trees, played games and used our fine motor skills.

Class 2: This week a bag was left in the classroom with some sparkly star lights, a book and a silver star in it. The story was called Laura's Star and we decided to read it. It was a lovely story about friendship and we will be looking more closely at the story over the next few weeks. We had sparklers in classroom on Thursday so we could think of some really clever describing words. The children were so enthusiastic about them. In Maths we have been looking at 2D shapes and exploring their features.

Class 3: What a fantastic start to the half term, we've begun our new topic of "Why do we speak English in school?" and have started looking at the Romans and Celts. In Literacy we have begun to look at our descriptive writing as shown in 'Leon and the place between'.

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Class 4 - Miss Randall: In Literacy the children have just started a new story writing unit of work. This is based on, "How the whale became..." by Ted Hughes and they have immersed themselves in the text by acting out a scene from the story. They then put themselves in role as Professor Know-it-all to answer questions about the story, whilst sitting in the hot seat! This is in preparation for the innovation stage of the writing process. In Numeracy the children finished their elicitation task this week at the start of a new unit of work; Multiplicative Reasoning. They have just started to learn formal written methods of multiplication which they will then be able to apply to problem solving questions.

Class 4 - Mr Evans: Class 4 have had a fantastic start to the new half term. We had a very in depth discussion about whether there had ever been a better time to live here – our new topic. The children identified really important issues such as personal safety, freedom and human rights which led to a fascinating debate. They then researched the periods of English history that we are going to focus on to make the comparison between 'then and now' and created an illustrated timeline.

Thank You Certificates

Congratulations to the following children:

Class 1: Austin Gribble for being kind and helpful in the classroom, **Stanley Moughton** for trying really hard when sounding out words and for a super response after observing sparklers, **Jackson Cornell** for working hard at his letter formation and **Henrietta Ford** for putting up her hand to thoughtfully answer questions.

Class 2: Lawrie Rowe for super organisation this week at school, **Ella Bond** for super effort in describing stars and **Elijah Radford** for hard work in writing.

Class 3: Eleanor Young for her fantastic determination in the swimming pool, **Lily Bowker** for pushing herself hard and contributing well in Maths, **Luke Flannigan** for his lovely description about his magical place in Literacy and **Daniel Paget** for his understanding and kindness towards others.

Class 4 - Miss Randall: Sammy Banfield for his great contributions to our role play and hot seating lessons in Literacy and **Jasmine Cornell** for being so engaged in Literacy this week.

Class 4 - Mr Evans: Adam Clinch for demonstrating enthusiasm and knowledge in the topic work and debating so effectively and **Leo Weatherall** for showing concentration and great observational skills in his drawing of the war memorial.

Star Writer: Toby Adkin for using his sounds to write words by himself.



New Email Address

We have been receiving our emails through the RM Easymail server. This is due to close down during November and will no longer be available after December. Therefore, we have moved our email system to office 365 and now have a new email address which is:

Beeradmin@arkstcmat.org

We changed over during half term and are now fully running on the new email address.

New Wednesday Lunchtime Choir Club...

... started on 2nd November for children in Year 2 upwards.

There will be a wide range of materials to be enjoyed and sung and the club will be run by (Rock 'n' Roll) Steve and Gayle Chapple. Please inform the office if you would like your child to take part in this new club.



Spotlight on.....

Mrs Gibbs

I have been a School Administrator for almost 15 years. I started off at Hawkchurch Primary School then came to All Saints 12 years ago and I joined Beer Primary in January 2012. I live in Lyme Regis with my husband of 30 years (!) and my daughter who is 17 and has just joined the 6th form at Woodroffe School. We all love to go on holiday to France with our vintage caravan, and it is my dream one day to own a property there and spend 6 months in France and 6 months in Lyme Regis – one has to have a dream! My guilty pleasure is a glass of ice cold Rose wine on a Friday evening.



Children in Need

On Friday November 18th we will be taking part in this year's Children in Need fund-raising event. The School Council have met to discuss the events that we will be doing. The children are being invited to dress up in spotty clothes. The theme is to be as spotty as can be. We would like to run a cake stall at the end of school, so please could you kindly bake or buy cakes, which can be left in the office on Friday morning. There will be collection boxes as the children come into school, so please give generously to this good cause.



Poppy Appeal

The year 6's will be selling the Royal British Legion poppies on the way in to school next week so please bring in your donation if you would like one.



Payments

Thank you to those parents who are now using the online payment system. For anybody that is unable to do this or prefers to pay by cheque, please can I remind you that cheques must now be payable to:

The Ark Federation. Thanks.



Forest School Activities Reception & KS1

This week, Reception, year 1 and year 2 children participated in their first forest school activity session on Tuesday afternoon. They used the garden at Puffins this week and although they will usually base themselves there, they may use the nature trail at Peco. Thank you for ensuring they had coats and wellies available - this week the ground was fine but please keep sending them in with old shoes/welly boots and a coat as the weather can change so quickly. If you would like to know more, please speak to Mrs Martin.



Thank you for your continued support,

The Beer Staff Team

Community Events & Notices

Baby Male Guinea Pigs - FREE to a good home

There are 4 baby male guinea pigs, 4 months old, available individually or altogether. Free to a good home. Please telephone 01297 20449 for more details.

Car Boot - Bumps, Babies & Beyond - 19th November 2016 - 11am-2pm - Oak Mead Golf Course

To reserve your space call or text your name and a space will be held until 10.30am on the day (payment on arrival). Sellers £5 per table (bring own tables), set up from 10am, buyers £2 per car, children's play area, café and a pitch & putt course (special offer £5 per round). Please note this is an outdoor event so will be weather dependent.

(Nearly new sale: children's toys, children's clothes, children's books, nursery furniture, maternity items, baby wares - anything from bumps to babies and beyond!)

Tel: 01297 680387 / 07967 216711. Oak Mead Golf Course, Sidmouth, EX10 OPT.

Café Church - Sunday 6th November - St Michael's Church - 4pm

All welcome for cake and activities this Sunday at 4pm.

'Be a Chorister for a Day' - Saturday 26th November 2016

Children are invited to come and 'Be a Chorister for a Day' - an informal day open to boys and girls aged 7-9 to sing in the Cathedral with our Cathedral Choristers. This is always over-subscribed so we encourage any interested families to register as soon as possible! This day is suitable for those simply wishing to experience a day in the Cathedral as well as those children who may be interested in the possibility of becoming a Cathedral Chorister. Please download the information packs from the website www.exetercs.org or contact l.lewis@exetercs.org or 01392 422763.

Cathedral Chorister Auditions - Tuesday 31st January 2017.

Cinderella - Colyton Theatre Group's Pantomime - Colyton Town Hall

Adults: £9, under 18s £5. Weds 30th November, Thursday 1st December & Saturday 3rd December 7.30pm, Friday 2nd December 6pm. Tickets from The Little Shop, Colyton, 01297 551374; Archway Book Shop, Axminster, 01297 33595; Frank Property, Seaton, 01297 24022. More information at colytontheatregroup.co.uk and Facebook.

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