



Merry Christmas

Newsletter
Friday 16th December 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have enjoyed an amazing term here at Beaver Green. We have had many different learning experiences which included, a Science Dome, History workshops and a trip to an Eco Conference.

The children have consistently shown our B.E.A.V.E.R values and G.R.E.E.N rules and we have given out many GOLD cards this term. Well done to all the children who have received a GOLD card this term.

I would like to wish all our families and friends the warmest of christmas wishes and hope that you have an enjoyable and relaxing time over the holiday.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you all, from all the staff here at Beaver Green.

Christmas Fun

Well done to our Year R children this week for performing your Nativity Play so well. You told the story beautifully and now we all know a little more about the birth of Jesus. You were all amazing well done.

Also, a big well done to our Nursery children for singing their christmas songs so well. You were all brilliant. Well done.

It was lovely to see so many parents attending all the Christmas Assemblies, Year 1 to 6 you were amazing.

A big thank you to all the staff who put all these events together - you have all done an amazing job - Thank you.

Key Dates and Messages for Term 3



Return to school

Children return to school on Wednesday 4th January 2023.

End of Term 3

Term 3 ends on 10th February 2023.

Applying for Primary School

If you have a child who is due to start school in September 2023, please make sure that you have applied to school before:

16th January 2023

If you have not yet done this then click the link below to apply.

[Applying for a primary school place](#)

If you need help doing this please contact the school office for help on **01233 621989**.

Uniform

Please ensure that your children are wearing the correct uniform next term. If you are having problems providing uniform for you child please contact Mrs Hollingsbee who will be happy to support you with this.

Parking

Please ensure that when you are picking up or dropping off your children you park considerately. Please do not block residents drives or block other parents in so they can not drive away safely. Thank you

Attendance



Reporting Absence

We understand that there are times where it is necessary for pupils to be absent from school. It is your responsibility to contact the school absence line and leave a message before 08:40 each and everyday of absence. **Please call 01233 621989** and follow the directions to report the absence.

WEDUC APP

Did you know that you can now report your child's absence on the new school app? See link below.

<https://www.weduc.com>

Start of the school day timings

Breakfast Club is open from **7:30am** for children that need to access this provision.

School day starts at **8:45am** where children will be registered. It is important that children are in school by this time. Anyone arriving after this time will be recorded as late.

Attendance Winners

Well done to all the classes that have won best attendance during term 2. Prizes included extra play, cupcakes and a film afternoon.

Lateness

We have had over 431 cases of late arrivals during Term 2. Please can we ask that **ALL** children arrive on time as this will help develop good habits for when they go to secondary school.

Welfare and SEN



Food Banks

Pneuma Church-The Warehouse, Ashford Works, TN23 1EH, Monday-Friday 10am-12pm

Repton Community Trust- Repton Connect Community Centre, TN23 3RX
The Community Shop will be open Mondays 1pm-2pm and Tuesday-Friday 10am-11am.

Willows Children Centre Café Brookfield Road, TN23 4EY
Monday-Friday 12-2pm

Warm spaces and Free Fun

Singleton Village Hall- Mon-Fri 8am-4pm- Toys and free wifi as well as a 'Pay as you can' food and drink

Pneuma Church- Mon-Fri 10am-12pm. Free food/drink, free wifi, children friendly

Riverside Cafe-Children's play area. Open Tuesday to Fridays; 9:30-3pm.

Ashford Library- Free Wifi, computer access and lots of adventures in books. Open Monday- Saturday

Supporting your child's anxiety

Come along to Ashford Youth Hub on **10th Jan 2023 at 10am** to learn more about how to support your child. (No need to book)
Mini bus service from school if needed.

Coffee Mornings

Save the date
Uniform sale. Pre-schoolers welcome.



SEN courses for parents

Mrs Fisher (SENCO) will be running parent/carer training in the new year on how to support emotional wellbeing at home.

Safety Tips for Christmas

TOY SAFETY TIPS

- + Read age and safety labels
- + Inspect all toys regularly
- + Watch for toys that can become hazards
- + Ensure toys are used in a safe environment
- + Store toys safely
- + Supervise children when they play
- + Keep toys intended for older children away from younger children

Source: <https://tscpl.org/health/considerations-when-choosing-gifts-for-children>

Make sure you buy children's gifts for the correct age group and from sources that comply with standards (e.g. does it have the kite mark?).

Look out for small items that could pose a choking hazard to young children, including parts that have fallen off toys, won in crackers, button batteries and burst balloons.

Keep decorations and cards away from fires and other heat sources such as light fittings. Don't leave burning candles unattended, make sure you put them out before going to bed and do not put candles on Christmas trees.

If you have old Christmas lights, seriously consider buying new ones! They will meet much higher safety standards and don't forget to keep the lights switched off until the Christmas tree is decorated, don't let children play with lights (some have swallowed the bulbs) and remember to switch off the lights when going out of the house or to bed.

Give yourself enough time to prepare and cook Christmas dinner to avoid hot fat, boiling water and sharp knife accidents that come from rushing. Keep anyone not helping with dinner out of the kitchen and wipe up any spills quickly.

Have scissors handy to open packaging so you're not tempted to use a knife and have screwdrivers at the ready to assemble toys.

Beware of trailing cables and wires in the rush to connect new gadgets and appliances and always read instructions.

Headteacher Tea Party



Congratulations to all the children who were invited to the Headteacher's tea party. We had a lovely time decorating gingerbread men and filling up on cakes and juice.



Star of the Week - Term 2



Nursery

Joanna- For using great listening skills during carpet time.

Hunter- For always being so kind and caring towards his peers.

Barnaby- For having an amazing few days at nursery, using great listening skills and joining in during carpet time.

Stanley- For showing some amazing creativity at the Christmas DT workshop.

Shania-For having an excellent start to nursery, she has settled very well.

Asiel-For being such a great, kind, caring friend to his peers.

Nursery

Roman - For such increased confidence and always asking to help.

Kevin - For always making the right choices and always being so helpful.

Marnie - For being so kind and thoughtful to her friends especially when they have hurt themselves.

Indie - For trying hard with her language and communication.

Annalyse - For growing so much in confidence and always offering to help.

Harry - For always joining in especially singing so nicely for our Christmas carols!

Reception

RHW

Amber - for coming into school so well in the mornings.

Prithiksha - for doing so well in starting to be able to write her name by herself.

Mickey - for joining in beautifully in phonics and singing practice.

Hugo - for always following our class rules beautifully.

Teddy - for learning independence and trying hard to do things by himself.

Ayden - for enthusiasm for learning, especially creative and phonics.

RJR

Numa - for being able to write her name independently.

Daisy - for listening to instructions and doing an amazing drawing of Pudsey Bear.

Freddie - for always trying hard with his writing and beginning to write simple words.

Natasha - for the amazing progress she has been making with her writing and Phonics.

Arlo L-B - for always trying his hardest in everything he does.

Bjorn - for following instructions in PE and doing both of the rolls well. Well done!



Star of the Week - Term 2



1MT

Leo - for showing resilience and trying his best in writing this week.

Esme - for working hard in English and Maths. For also consistently following our Beaver Green rules

Oscar - for aspiration. Oscar is always aiming high and challenging himself in lessons. I am so proud of you - keep it up!

Dolce - for consistently participating in her learning this week, especially in English.

Harry - super participation in his learning this week and making great improvements in his writing - keep it up!

Amelie - for showing resilience and enthusiasm in her learning, especially in phonics.

Marcel - for consistently following our Beaver Green Rules.

1SJ

Lucy - for good engagement.

Scarlett - for engagement and aspiration.

Ellin - for excellence in maths and English.

Kyle - for excellence in maths

Leo - for excellence in his writing

All of 1SJ for good phonics work and amazing work during our Christmas D.T day

Bonnie- for excellent reading in our School play

2NB

Jakub - For creating a fantastic African Mask during Art this week.

Tey - 'Excellence,' taking pride in the presentation of his work.

Freya - for always following the GREEN rules.

Hettie - for Excellence in Maths.

Zosia- for 'Engagement,' showing great listening and following instructions during our design workshop.

Grace - for being a great role model to others. Always polite, kind and trying her best in everything she does.

2OE

Olivia - for great engagement and always trying her best in all that she does!

Ivy - for always being a kind and caring friend and settling in well to your new class.

Noah - for always offering thoughtful suggestions to our class discussions. We love listening to your great ideas Noah!

Penelope - for amazing RE work and always following our Beaver Green school rules



Star of the Week - Term 2



3AM

Elsie- For always working hard in every lesson!

Violet- For engaging in her English lessons and trying so hard to uplevel her work!

Layla- For working really hard in Maths

Kenzi- For working hard to learn his ten times tables!

Sienna- For consistently trying her best everyday!

Estrella- Choosing the right choices everyday, you are amazing!

Conor- Reflection- being a kind and helpful member of the class.

3BC

Lillie - For always following the Aspiration green rule.

Ollie - For doing his best in every lesson - Aspiration.

Amelia - For doing fantastic writing in English.

Finley - For being extremely brave in science.

Filip - For always working hard and being an amazing role model.

Sienna - For working hard in every lesson and always being kind to others.

Liyas - For working so hard to improve his reading skills.

4SB

Jayden G - for following the Excellence rule by trying his best in his learning this week

Oluchi - for following all of the GREEN rules all of the time and being a great role model for her peers.

Paisley - for following the Engagement rule

Harvey - for following the Engagement and Excellence rule really well this week.

Alissa - for engagement in all lessons and excellence in always trying her best and working hard.

Oscar - for following the Excellence rule by putting a lot of effort into his writing this week.

Zayan - for always being smiley, pleasant and polite,, and following the engagement and excellence rule.

4PA

Neyong - Consistently on green, polite and hardworking

Kaytie - showing great resilience each week

Shelby - Valiance every day to challenge herself

Arthur - Excellence in all things

Catherine -Following Beaver Green rules consistently

Tommy - Polite, happy, helpful and engaged.



Star of the Week - Term 2



5EC

Maria-Excellent Ancient Greek homework

Shrujan- For always aiming high and trying your best!

Awzem- For always aiming high and trying your best especially in Maths.

Princess- For trying her best!

Blake- For always aiming high and trying your best!

Callum- For an excellent newspaper report on a World Cup Match! Well done!

5BM

Emily - for showing bravery during swimming.

Michael - For showing community pride and picking up litter around the school.

Layla B - For her independent planning in writing.

Aleeza - For excellence in she does!

Lenny - For his excellent performance as a deer in an Ancient Greek Tragedy!

Emma - For her aspiration in reading during lessons and for the Christmas assembly

Holly S - For her persistence in achieving her times table goal!

6AT

Kieran - For showing great empathy and understanding during Black History Week.

Louie - For showing great kindness and always working so hard.

Sophia - For always aiming high and trying your best.

Lauren - For taking great pride in her work and trying her best at all times.

Rocco - Working really hard to make great improvements in your writing.

Dylan - Producing a fantastic biography about Anne Frank - well done for always making sure your work is presented so beautifully too.

Niwa - Working so hard in all your lessons and making great choices.

6MM

Esmail - For showing B for Belief and A for Aspiration and never giving up

Crystal - for showing good A for Aspiration and always aiming high and challenging herself.

Jakee - for showing A for Aspiration and always trying his best and producing some amazing RE work this week

Phoebe - for always following the Green Rules and Beaver Values.

Ellie - For showing V for Valiance rule and being very brave in a hard week.

Freddie - for aspiring to do his best and showing engagement all of the time. Well done.

Callum - for always trying his best and for following the rules.



Term 2- Nursery



We have also looked at Father Christmas needs a wee and the Night before Christmas books. Everyone seems VERY excited for Christmas Day!



This term in the Dragonfly room we had an exciting topic of forest and woodland, looking at different stories each week. We have enjoyed lots of different activities including exploring outside.

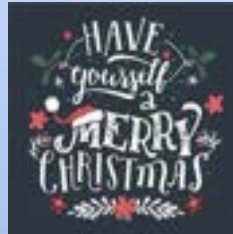
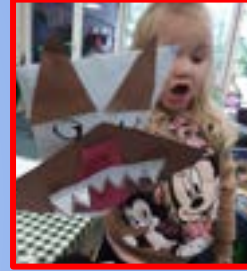


We had great fun in the snow!

Best of luck to all of your children moving into the Butterfly room in January. Thank you for some amazing learning and cooperation, we hope you have enjoyed your nursery journey in the dragonfly room! We will miss you all very much!

Term 2 - Nursery

This term in Butterfly class, we have been learning about different traditional tales. We learnt about the Three Little Pigs, Gingerbread Man, Jack and the Beanstalk plus many more. We also read The Jolly Christmas Postman and Father Christmas needs a wee! The children really enjoyed acting out the stories and remembering the key phrases. To end the term, the children had great fun exploring in the snow!



DT Workshop - Nursery

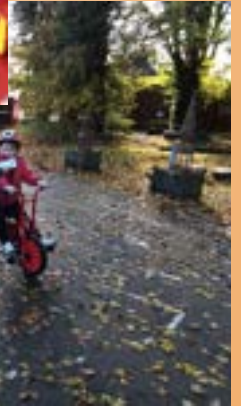


In the Nursery we made lolly stick Christmas trees and stars, snowmen, paper plate Christmas trees and we printed Christmas trees with potatoes. The children really enjoyed it and a big thank you to those parents that came to spend time with their child.



Term 2 - Bumblebee Class

This term we have been learning about people who help us, for example: firefighters, doctors and nurses, police and the RNLI. We have been practising singing for our nativity and learning all about the Christmas story.



DT Workshop - Bumblebees Class



Bumblebees enjoyed making all sorts of lovely Christmas projects with their grown ups including printing wrapping paper to wrap a present, making Christmas wreaths for their doors and making a headband to wear at Christmas.



Term 2 - Ladybird Class



Wow! What a busy term! We have enjoyed learning about 'People Who Help us', as well as Mae Jemison during Black History Week, Remembrance Day and practising for our Christmas play 'The Nativity'.



DT Workshop - Ladybird Class

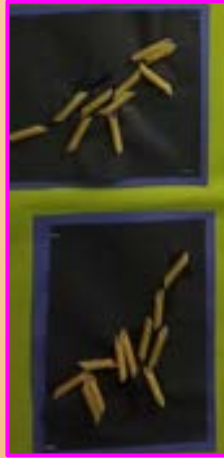
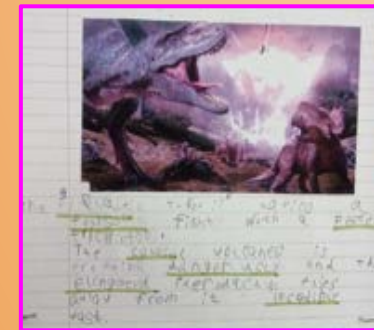


Ladybirds enjoyed making all sorts of lovely Christmas projects with their grown ups including decorating gingerbread people for a decoration, making Christmas wreaths for their doors and making a headband to wear at Christmas.



Term 2 - 1MT

What another exciting term we have had in 1MT! This term we have been learning all about dinosaurs and even had a visit from the Science Dome!



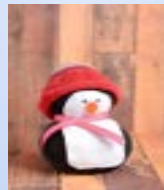
We turned our classroom into a jungle and went on an exciting adventure! We described what we could see, smell, hear, touch and taste! We tried different fruits that we have never tried before and actually enjoyed them, such as pineapple, coconut and avocado!



DT Workshop - 1MT



1MT had a blast making Christmas crafts with our grown ups! It was so much fun! We made; snow penguins, designed and decorated our own Christmas bags and made pop up Christmas cards. We love it when our grown ups come in to school to share in our learning with us!



Term 2 - 1SJ



Our topic this term has been dinosaurs. We have used different media to create Dinosaurs. We have also learnt about Mary Anning and fossils.



In R.E we found out about Diwali and the festival of light.



DT Workshop - 1SJ



We had an excellent Christmas DT Workshop. Lot's of parents attended and had fun helping us make Sock Penguins, Christmas Tree Cards and Gift Bags.



Term 2 - 2NB

We listened to the Christmas story in RE to help us understand why Christmas is important.



Merry
Christmas

From everyone in 2NB!

This term we decided we would make our own class Christmas tree. We used cardboard boxes that we wrapped in green paper, then stacked them to make a tall pyramid shape. We all designed and made a Christmas decoration to stick on our tree. We think it is the best tree ever!



DT Workshop - 2NB



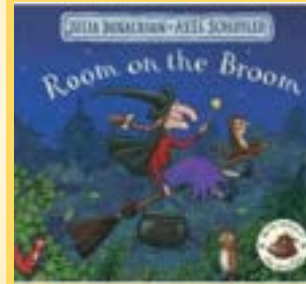
We had a great afternoon creating Christmas tree decorations from cinnamon sticks and ribbon and then making our own gift bags. It was lovely to have some of our parents join us and we all had lots of fun.



Term 2 - 20E

In RE we have been learning about Jewish festivals. We particularly enjoyed learning about Hanukkah, the festival of light and making our own Hanukkah's. These are 9 branched candle sticks which show the miracle of a small amount of oil lasting for 8 days. The middle candle, the 'Shamash' lights the other candles.

In DT we designed new wands for the witch from Room on the Broom. We then made our wands and created instructions for them in English.



In Maths we have been learning about equal groups and enjoyed working with lots of practical resources to find out if our groups were equal and fair.



DT Workshop - 20E



We spent a lovely afternoon making cinnamon stick decorations and decorated some christmas present bags. Some of our parents/carers joined us!



Term 2 - 3BC



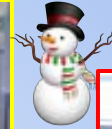
Black History Week
Nelson Mandela



Art
Stonehenge



Design & Technology
Stone Age Weaving



DT Workshop - 3BC

In 3BC we created Christmas wreaths with crisp packets to encourage recycling! Thank you to all the parents/carers who spent the afternoon with us.



Term 2 - 3AM

Science

Light- We have learnt about how light reflects and how to protect our eyes.



Design & Technology
Stone Age Weaving and house making



History
We have created stone age timelines and looked at stone age animals.



Geography
Climate Change



DT Workshop - 3AM



We had a great afternoon using recycled crisp packets to create decorative Christmas wreaths!



Term 2 - 4PA



A very busy term in **4PA**. From our amazing Viking day to science, where we have been investigating light, shadows and reflection, to dressing up for children in need. What a great term it has been (and we had snow!).

DT Workshop - 4PA



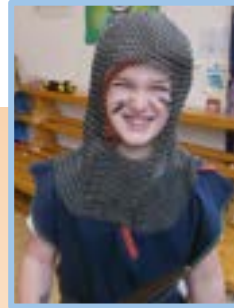
4PA had a great afternoon making wreaths from recycled book pages. Thank you to the parents who came in to help. Can you spot the person who wasn't quite as interested? Also, Oscar was our 'master cone maker!' it was like magic watching him produce perfect cone after cone! Well done everyone.



Term 2 - 4SB

Reading

4SB have been reading Cressida Cowell's 'How to Train Your Dragon' and performing a dragon poem!



History

Year 4 had a fantastic Viking Day delivered by Living History Workshops this term!

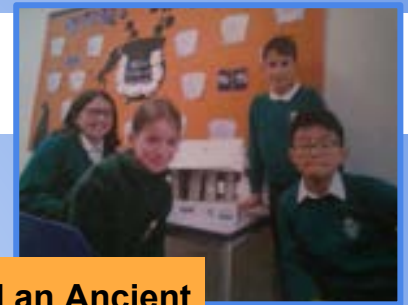


DT Workshop - 4SB

4SB had a fantastic afternoon making Christmas wreaths from recycled book pages! It was lovely to see so many parents join us for the afternoon!



Term 2 - 5EC



We had an Ancient Greek workshop visit.

In D&T we have made a prototype temple, dedicated to an Ancient Greek god!



DT Workshop - 5EC



The children designed, created and evaluated the creation of their gingerbread man. They were delicious!

For our workshop, we invited parents in to join us for an exciting gingerbread man challenge.



DT Workshop - 5BM



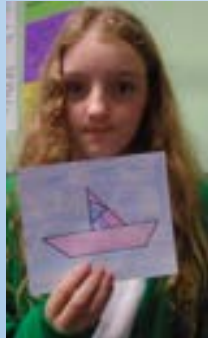
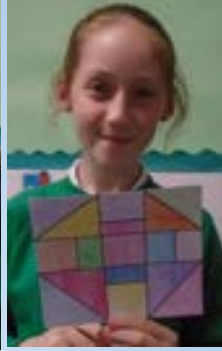
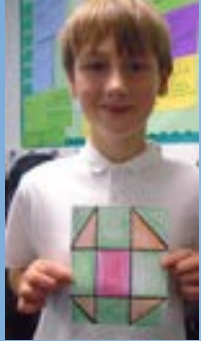
For our workshop we made Christmas tree softies.

It involved lots of cutting, sewing and decorating with yarn!



Term 2 - 6AT

Black History Week



We have had a fantastic term showing off our creative talents! 6AT have demonstrated a fantastic attitude to their learning and it has been amazing to see so many children enjoying learning about some really challenging topics this term! Well done 6AT! Keep up the hard work!

Violins!



DT Workshop - 6AT



We had a great time making our Snowmen shakers! Thank you to the grown ups that joined us - we really enjoyed having you spend time with us!



Term 2 - 6MM



This term the class have been continuing with their violin lessons. They are now able to play a very simple tune using their bows.



In DT we designed and made Anderson Shelters.



DT Workshop - 6MM



6MM had a great DT afternoon. It was lovely to see the children working with their parents to make snowman shakers for the christmas assembly.

