



Friday 15 September 2017

## Prep School

A warm welcome to our new Reception children who are already settling in well to their new class and routine.



Year 1 had their first cookery lesson this week. We combined this lesson with our Science topic and explored our sense of taste by taking part in a blind food tasting experiment. Not sure this taste went down well!



### Roald Dahl Day

The children in the Prep School celebrated Roald Dahl Day by taking part in lots of 'scrumdiddlyumptious' activities. The day started off with an assembly, followed by quizzes, word searches, recipe writing and diary entries. KS1 finished off the afternoon watching 'Roald Dahl Day Live', where they had a magical tour of Roald Dahl's writing hut and a 'draw along' with Quentin Blake. Much fun was had by all.

### Team Building Activity Day

On Thursday 7 September the Year 7 and 8 pupils took part in a Team Building Activity Day. They had a fun day getting to know their classmates and learning how to work in teams to complete tasks they were given.



## PARENTMAIL

Prep School  
 Welcome Letter from Mr Lennon  
 Prep School  
 Activity Booklet  
 Prep School  
 Breakfast Club  
 Junior Division  
 Autumn Term  
 Year 6  
 Parents' Information Evening  
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 Year 8  
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 Whole School  
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# News

## New Teaching Staff

Mrs Hayes



KS2 Teacher

Ms Johnson



Media Studies

Miss Fitzgerald



Physics

Mrs Leyburn



French

Mrs Wan



English & EAL

Mrs Wall



Drama

## Charities

We can now announce that the school has adopted Charlotte's Bag as the charity for the year. It was set up by an old girl of the school in memory of her daughter who died last year at the age of just 19. She had a form of brain tumour called Glioblastoma Multiform. The charity is only one year old but raises funds to support research into this fatal disease. We will also be continuing to support Cafod and the building of a new Sacred Heart School in Kenya. The first charity event is a whole school Sponsored Walk around Dunorlan Lake on Friday 29 September. Look out for the sponsor forms coming home with your child.

## PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

### Welcome to our new committee

Chair

Mark Roberts-Barter

Vice Chair

Rebecca Smith

Treasurer

Victoria Barwick

Secretary

Juliette Ponsford

We are still looking for a Rep Co-ordinator if you are interested please contact

[beechwoodpa@beechwood.org.uk](mailto:beechwoodpa@beechwood.org.uk)

Next PA Meeting Thursday 5 October to discuss the annual Firework Event.

### Visit the Christmas Markets in Aachen, Germany

After the success and excitement of the trip to Strasbourg last December, the MFL department is organising another trip for pupils to experience the atmosphere of the Christmas Markets, but this time to Aachen, just over the border from Holland and Belgium in Germany. It's the closest German city to the UK. If your child is interested in coming on this action-packed, festive-filled two-day trip to enjoy the wonderful smells, sounds and sights of a truly authentic German city and its Christmas Markets, then please email **Frau Covarr**, teacher of German as soon as possible at [C.covarr@beechwood.org.uk](mailto:C.covarr@beechwood.org.uk). Pupils can come and get a letter with further details from her in AY3 and there will be notices in assemblies to remind pupils of this magical opportunity. The cost of the trip will be in the region of £170, depending on numbers. We will depart very early on the morning of Saturday, 25 November and return in the evening of Sunday, 26 November 2017.

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

This week we have had our fantastic drum teacher, Mr Richmond Stockwell, come in to give drum and rhythm workshops to Year 6 and Year 7. The lessons were fun and energetic, involving body percussion, un-pitched percussion and then finishing with little taster sessions on the drum kit. The children all got involved and enjoyed the music that they made. If you are interested in your child taking up the Drum Kit, please email the Head of Music, Mrs Sarah Kershaw, at [s.kershaw@beechwood.org.uk](mailto:s.kershaw@beechwood.org.uk) to find out more information



# Sports News and Results

## Netball

On Wednesday our U15 and U16 teams played TWGGS. During the U15 match TWGGS dominated giving the girls a difficult start to the season. Our timing and sticking to the players when marking are areas which need improvement. Although we failed to score, players tried their best throughout and Victoria Ray was voted a well-deserved MVP award. Our U16's had more fight and had a close match and despite good movement from Hope and Jess in the circle not all our shots were converted losing the game by two goals. Our defence worked hard and both Elysia and Kendra were recognised for their endeavours.

Our U13/12's had a super start to the season against Sackville. Being a new team is sometimes difficult but the U13's lead by our Captain, Poppy supported and encouraged our new U12's. Right from the start we dominated the play in the centre court, feeding the ball swiftly to our shooters who took control of the D. At the end of the first quarter we had gained a 3-0 lead, which we extended to 8-0 by half time. We moved the players around for everyone to try less familiar positions. Emma played a leading role in attack and defence, ably supported by Savannah and Niamh. Meanwhile Eva and Evie maintained their focus in and around our opponents D limiting their shooting opportunities. The final score was 20-2 to Beechwood, well done to all our players and Millie who was voted MVP.

## Football

On Wednesday our U13's travelled to Saint Ronan's for their opening football match of the season. We were put under pressure from the kick off but worked well as a team to defend effectively. As the half progressed Beechwood began to get their foot on the ball and played their way into good positions creating chances which were duly taken by Sam Collinson and Marcus Letts both finishing the game with a brace each. In the second half we continued to dominate, Captain Luca Johnston added to the tally. There was a fantastic performance from goal keeper Luke Beaumont to ensure Beechwood came away with a 5-0 victory. Well played to all involved.

On Thursday our U9's hosted Bricklehurst Manor for their opening football game of the season. We began well and soon created an opening which was excellently taken, another soon followed. We extended our lead to 3-1 but Bricklehurst worked hard to draw level. In the dying seconds Ashton Latham broke free and calmly slotted the ball in the back of the net, a dramatic 4-3 victory to Beechwood. Well played to all involved.

## NEXT WEEK

SUN 17	
MON 18	9.00 Prep School Percussion Workshop
TUES 19	9.00 Senior School Percussion Workshop
WED 20	9.00 Year 10-13 Textiles Trip to V&A 2.30 U11/U10 Hockey v Hilden Grange at Tonbridge School 2.30 U11 Football v Skippers Hill (H)
THUR 21	3.15 U14 Netball v Kent College (A) 4.00 Year 7 Tutors Evening 4.30 U16 & U18 Netball v Radnor House (H)
FRI 22	9.00 Year 3 & 4 Outdoor Education & Camp-In
SAT 23	9.00 Year 3 & 4 Camp-In ends