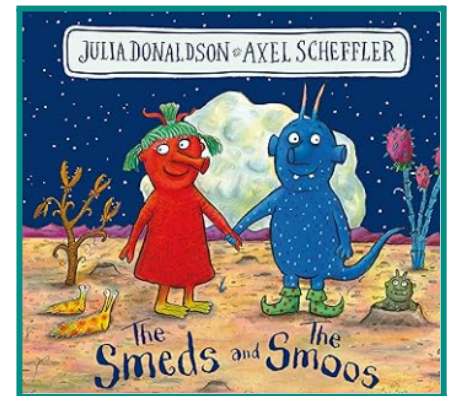


## Happy Friday!

This week in assembly, I read **The Smeds and The Smoos** by **Julia Donaldson** and **Axel Scheffler**. The story features two groups who learn to overcome their differences and it celebrates **diversity**, **kindness** and the **power of understanding** to **resolve conflict**. In a week where we all took time to remember those who have fought and died in times of **conflict**, I thought it was an **apt choice**. If any of you would like to share the story at home with your **little ones**, follow the link to see **David Schwimmer** reading it as a [CBeebies Bedtime Story](#). It was lovely to see our pupils mark **Children in Need** today with lots of **Pudsey spots** and **shades of yellow** on display. For more **Children in Need** related information and to learn where money raised by the initiative is used, follow this link - [We're there for you- BBC Children in Need](#). I hope you all have a lovely weekend. Mr Routledge



## Staffing News

I am sad to say that, after more than **30 years** of dedicated service, we will be saying goodbye to **Mrs Carrick**, who will be retiring from teaching in the **Spring**. Throughout her long career at **Beaconhill**, she has shown exceptional **skill**, **commitment** and **care** for the **children** and **families** she has taught. Her **expertise** has benefitted us all and her contribution to teaching and learning has been invaluable. On behalf of all staff, past and present, we thank her sincerely for everything she has done for our school and wish her a very happy and well-earned retirement. The recruitment process for a new **Reception** teacher is already underway. We will also be saying goodbye to **Miss H. Fox**, who has worked with us as a **Teaching Assistant** and in our **Out of School Club** over the last year or so. **Miss Fox** is moving on to take on a new challenge, and we would like to thank her for her hard work and commitment during her time at **Beaconhill**. We wish her every success for the future.

## Remembrance Day

On **Tuesday** at **11:00**, **children** and **staff** came together in the hall to **remember** those who have served in **times of conflict**. Pupils from **Year Six** shared a heartfelt poem before we paused for a **few moments** of **silence** and **reflection**. Everyone took part with **respect** and **thoughtfulness**, showing real **understanding** of the importance of **remembrance**.



## Sports

Children from **Year One** and **Year Two** enjoyed taking part in our second **Mini Athletics** after-school club this week.

This week, children practised **running**, **jumping** and **throwing** while developing **coordination** and **confidence**.

Everyone had a fantastic time **staying active** and learning **new skills**! In other **sporting news**, a big well done to **Iris**, **Emily**, **Annabelle** and **Lizzie** who shared their **trophies**, **badges** and **certificates** in assembly. **Iris** and **Emily** passed their recent **dance exams** while **Annabelle** and **Lizzie** have earned **new swimming badges**. Very well done, girls!



## Anti-Bullying Week

This week we marked **Anti-Bullying Week** which was organised by the **Anti-Bullying Alliance**. The theme for this year was '**Power for Good**' which encourages us all to recognise our role in making a **positive impact** against **bullying**. The theme was designed to emphasise the **importance** of taking **positive actions** to counteract the harm caused by **bullying**. We talked about this in **assembly**, through **stories** and during **lesson time**.



## Tiny Tasters

On Tuesday, the **school hall** buzzed with **energy** (and a delicious **aroma**!) as some of our children were joined by their families for a **hands-on cooking session** with Lyndsay from **Tiny Tasters**. Together they learned how to prepare a **healthy** flap-jack from scratch on a **budget** - **chopping**, **measuring** and discovering simple **cooking techniques**. These sessions not only encourage **healthy eating** but also build valuable skills in **meal planning**, **teamwork** and **self-confidence** in the kitchen. It was wonderful to see the group **collaborating** and children taking pride in their **culinary achievements**! I look forward to seeing what they cook over the next three weeks.



## Thunder in the Valley

This evening, **Mr Thompson-Shepherd**, **Mr Wright** and a group of our **Year Five** children will travel into Newcastle for the **Thunder in the Valley** event at **The Vertu Motors Arena** for a basketball event. The children will watch **Newcastle Eagles** take on **Sheffield Sharks** before taking to the court to represent **Beaconhill** in matches against other **local schools**. I am sure they will do us all proud and we will let you know how they get on. **Good luck!**



## Attendance

Very well done to our top-attending classes this week! **Year One** lead the way with an outstanding **99.23%** closely followed by **Reception** with **97%** and **Year Two** with a strong **96.79%**. These classes are setting an excellent example for the whole school as we continue working towards our overall target of **96%**. A reminder to **parents** and **carers** - strong attendance is vital for children's **learning**, **progress** and **confidence**. Every day really does make a difference.



**Reception** - 97%   **Year One** - 99.23%   **Year Two** - 96.79%   **Year Three** - 88.57%  
**Year Four** - 96.33%   **Year Five** - 93.93%   **Year Six** - 93.33%

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## On the Menu Next Week . . .

Week Three	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Main Course	Meatballs/Veggie Meatballs in Tomato Sauce  Fish Goujons  Sandwich (Choice of Fillings)	Chicken/Veggie Roast and Yorkshire Pudding  Tuna and Sweetcorn Pasta  Jacket Potato (Choice of Fillings)	Enchilada Wraps  Salmon Fingers  Sandwich (Choice of Fillings)	Sausage/Veggie Sausage and Yorkshire Pudding  Pizza* Wrap  Jacket Potato (Choice of Fillings)	Pepperoni Pizza/ Cheese Pizza  Breaded Fish Portion  Sandwich (Choice of Fillings)
Potatoes/Pasta/ Rice	Pasta Garlic Bread Smiley Faces	Roast Potatoes	Fluffy Rice	Creamed Potatoes Crusty Bread	Roast Potatoes or Crusty Bread
Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables
Salad Bar	Seasonal Salad	Seasonal Salad	Seasonal Salad	Seasonal Salad	Seasonal Salad
Desserts	Vanilla Ice Cream (With a choice of Fruit)	Carmel Cake	Cheese, Biscuits and Grapes	Chocolate Brownie and a Cup of Milk	School Pudding of the Day (With a choice of Fruit)