# **Beaconhill Community Primary School**

Newsletter - Friday 28th March 2025





#### Happy Friday!

Hello, everyone. We are very excited that, from today, Miss Stephenson will be going on maternity leave. She will be a big miss here but we are all very excited about her imminent new arrival. I am sure you will join us in wishing Miss Stephenson and her family all the very best and we look forward to seeing the little one very soon! It has been a particularly busy week in school so read on to hear all about it. Enjoy the weekend and I hope the weather is kind to those of you who are planning to attend a certain trophy parade. Mr Routledge

#### Beach

At the start of this week, **Year One** children visited Blyth Beach with **Mrs Wharton** and **Miss Gallon**. The children were looking at the **vegetation** which can be found at the beach. Children **sketched** and **labelled** the plants as part of their work on **seasonal changes**. When they return in the **summer**, they will see how the **landscape** has **changed** as the **plants grow**. They then did a **scavenger hunt** of commonly found objects such as **seaweed**, **shells** and **stones**. Staff were really impressed with all the fantastic work - well done.

#### Little Rescuers

On Thursday, Year Six had a fantastic day learning about the body and first aid with Caroline from Little Rescuers. You may have noticed them leaving school with various "injuries" but none were real! They demonstrated enthusiasm whilst practising CPR and dressing wounds with bandages. We also talked about the heart and the pupils learned how an AED (defibrillator) works. Dog biscuits were used to demonstrate the difference between adult and children's bones as well as deciding if certain body parts were bone or cartilage.





## **Easter Egg Competition**

We are excited to be holding our popular **egg decorating competition** again this year. Children are invited to **decorate** an **egg** and bring it into school on **Thursday 10th April**. Entries will be presented for judging on **Friday 11th April** with Easter Egg **prizes** up for grabs for the **best designs**. Children will be able to view all the entries throughout the day and there will be lots of **photographs** on **Facebook**. A polite reminder that all eggs should be **hard boiled** or **polystyrene** just in case of breakages!



## Doodle Spring Challenge

From the 1st April, children in **Reception**, **Year One** and **Year Two** are invited to join the **Spring Challenge**. Joining the challenge is a great way to encourage a few minutes of daily '**doodling**' to top up your child's mathematical **knowledge** and **understanding**. Excitingly, they can earn a **pin badge** and **certificate** if they successfully complete the challenge. To complete the challenge, children will need to earn **350** stars and access **Doodle Maths** on at



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least **seven separate days** during the month of April. From the **1st April**, parents/carers can register for the challenge by <u>Parent Dashboard</u> and selecting '**Register**'. Before registering, parents/carers will need to create and/or link a **parent account** to their child's **Doodle account**. Follow the PDF link below <u>PDF with instructions</u>

#### **Phonics Talk**

It was great to see so many of you in school on Wednesday for our Phonics talk. Mr Thompson-Shepherd welcomed a group of parents/carers into school to talk about the Phonics Screening Check which takes place in June. The check is a statutory assessment which Year One children across the country will complete. As always, we deliver assessments in a calm, familiar and fair way. Next Wednesday (2nd), Mr Gray will be delivering a talk for Year Four parents/carers ahead of the Multiplication Tables Check. The session will run from 09:00 - 09:30 and will provide you with an idea of how you can support your child ahead of the Tables Check which also takes place in June. If your child is in Year Three, this may also be beneficial ahead of next year so you're welcome to come along.

## **Adventure Babies**

As a result of their Adventure Babies session last week based on 'Whatever Next' by Jill Murphy, the children in Nursery have been role playing travelling to the moon in their rockets. This week they have been working in Mission Control! It is brilliant to see the children using their lovely new outdoor environment and showing us their brilliant, creative ideas.

#### Year Five Back on Track Project

As part of the **Back on Track** programme, **Year Five** had a visit from **PC Dodds** and **PC Keenleyside** on Tuesday. They talked to the **children** about the **laws** around the use of **e-scooters** and **e-bikes** and I think everyone learned something new. As you may have heard, they also brought a **police bike** and **police car** onto the school **playground** which was very exciting. Our younger children came out as well to see the police **vehicles** and loved seeing the **lights** and hearing the **sirens**! The children loved hopping onto the (**stationary**!) bike.









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#### Attendance

This week, Year Three achieved the highest attendance. It was fantastic to see six of our year groups recording our attendance target so very well done to all. This afternoon, a group of 33 children enjoyed popcorn, sweets and a film as a reward for recording 100% attendance last half-term. The prize for 100% attendance this half-term will be an Easter Egg.

Reception - 89.33% Year One - 97.67% Year Two - 96.43% Year Three - 98.57% Year Four - 97.50% Year Five - 98.28% Year Six - 97.78%

On the Menu Next Week . . .

# Beaconhill Primary School One 2024 Menu KTHREE A Homemade Dish



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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Course Choices	Pizza Wrap Fishfingers Sandwich with a Choice of Fillings	Meatballs in Tomato Sauce Tuna & Mozzarella Melts Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings	<ul> <li>Mince and Dumplings</li> <li>Tomato and Basil Pasta</li> <li>Sandwich with a Choice</li> <li>of fillings</li> </ul>	Gammon dinner/Quorn Fillet with Yorkshire Pudding Chicken Goujons Jacket Potatoes with a Choice of Fillings	Fish Fingers Sausage/Vegetarian Sausage Sandwich with a Choice of Fillings
Potatoes Pasta / Rice	Oven Baked Potato Wedges	Pasta Crusty bread	Mashed Potato Crusty Bread	Roast Potatoes	Chips
Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Baked Beans
Salad Bar	Seasonal Salads	Seasonal Salads	Seasonal Salads	Seasonal Salads	Seasonal Salads
Starters or Sweets	Marshmallow Crispy Squares	Strawberry Delight	Cheesecake	Homemade Biscuit Glass of Milk or Juice	School Pudding of the Day
FOOD AREA		Drinking water is also p	f breads are available at e rovided on dining room ta subject to change.		