

## Dear Parents and Carers,

We have been very busy since returning to school. Last Friday, the children had an assembly on Diwali and have been learning about this special festival. You may have also seen the Rangoli patterns outside the classrooms which looked very beautiful. I hope all our families who celebrate Diwali had a wonderful time.

As part of our Celebrating Differences week, the children took part in a selection of activities which culminated in Odd Socks Day today. This was to show that we celebrate differences at Beecholme and actively stand up against discrimination and prejudice. We will build on our learning this week to link with national anti-bullying week which starts on Monday.

The school took part in the two minute silence to remember people who have died in war. Thank you for the contributions in buying poppies. Year 6 went to Mitcham to lay a wreath at the cenotaph on behalf of the school. We were very proud of their mature behaviour.

We are now getting ready for Christmas. Christmas dinner is on **Tuesday, 7th December and the Winter Fair is on the 16th December**. More information in this newsletter.

## Best wishes

Mrs Phyllis Sternberg

Please help us to raise free funds every time you shop online. We know, that with Black Friday and Christmas coming, many of you will be shopping on line. By signing up you can collect free funds for the school.

Please go to [www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) to see all the shops that are part of this great fundraising. It's easy to sign up.

We have already raised **£64.15** in September. Thank you. We use the money to buy additional resources e.g. Pritt sticks and equipment for the Nursery.



## Lates

Many children are arriving late. Your child needs to be on the school site at **8.45am**. Register will be taken at **9.00 a.m.** so lessons can start smoothly.

## Attendance and Punctuality

Well done to **Oak Class BEST CLASS ATTENDANCE: 100%**.



## Winter Fair

### Thursday, 16th December



The 'Winter Fair' will take place on the 16th December from 4.30-6 pm. There will be children singing Christmas Carols, craft stalls to buy festive gifts made in class and the Friends of Beecholme (FOBs) will have a selection of stalls.

Please look out for further information as we may need your help!

## Parent Consultations

### Wednesday, 24th November 2021

Sign up sheets for parents evening will be put outside the classrooms at the following times on **Monday, 15th November**. **The meetings will be social distanced and Parents will be asked to wear mask.**

Nursery - 11:45 a.m.

Reception and Years 1 and 2 -2:45p.m.

KS2 3:00p.m.

Appointments are booked on a first come first served basis.

## 20th November is Community Planting Day!

You can help by signing up to plant bulbs with your neighbours on **Saturday, 20th November**. Bulbs and plants will be given out to volunteers on **Friday 19th** ready for planting on **Saturday 20th**. Lots of parents have already signed up and the last opportunity to do so is next Tuesday. If you want to help but cannot plant on 20th, why not donate small change to support the project?



## E-Scooters

We have been asked to pass on the following information from Inspector Kathy Morteo from the Metropolitan Police service, about the use of E-Scooters and the Law.

Although e-scooters can legally be purchased, it is currently illegal to ride them on roads, cycle lanes and pavements and therefore should not be brought or ridden to school.

More information can be found by clicking the link [Advice on e-scooter usage | Metropolitan Police](#)