

#### Newsletter Issue no.1





### **Head of School Update**



Dear Parents and Carers.

Firstly, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the children and their families for making me feel so welcome. From greeting you all on the gate, to walking the school and seeing the children, the community feeling is very apparent and one I already feel a part of.

Welcome to the new Beecholme newsletter that will be sent home on a fortnightly basis. We hope to use this platform to keep you as up to date as possible and continue to build on the lines of communication that are already in place. The newsletter will cover everything from curriculum updates to events in school to celebrating the children's achievement. It was lovely to see so many children today receiving the Beecholme Badge for their achievements this week.

Please take note of the social media tags that have been attached above. Please give us a follow as this will be another platform, we use to share information.

One thing I have already noticed is the pride and attention to detail our children and families take in the Beecholme school uniform, which in turn gives our children a sense of readiness to learn. To ensure the uniform expectations are being met across the school we have attached the guidance which I hope you find useful. If you have any concerns or questions about uniform, then please do speak to a member of staff. I am super impressed with the number of children who have learnt how to tuck their shirts in independently and without me asking them this week. Well done!

Please continue to say hello and introduce yourself on the gate. It is my mission to get to know everyone.

#### Thank you, Mrs Lewis

#### PE Days

As I am sure some of you are aware, as part of our drive for school uniform expectations we will be making some changes to when your child has PE. Historically, all children would come into school in full school uniform each day and change at school for PE. Not only is this a requirement on the National Curriculum, but it also supports the children with increased levels of personal development.

During Covid times this had to change to support risk assessments in school. Now we have some normality back, as a school we would like to support the children's personal development and have the children change at school for PE.

This will support with things like tying their own shoelaces and buttoning up their own polo tops.

Please do not worry this will not take learning time away and there will be plans in place for how and where children in KS2 can get change separately.

Alongside supporting the children's personal development, we are hoping it will also ensure the uniform expectations are being upheld as the children should be in full school uniform each day.

I want to take this opportunity to thank all parents for their support with some of the changes



the school are making to strive for continued excellence.



## Open Days - Mrs Lewis

At Beecholme Primary School we are excited to announce our open mornings and tours for prospective parents and children for September 2024. Please speak to your family and friends and tell them we are looking forward to welcoming them face to face on the dates below. If they wish to attend a school tour, then please contact the school office:0208 640 4795. Each child will bring home a flyer today - please share with your friends and families. Tour times and dates:

Open Day and Tour

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September 9.30am-10.30am Thursday 19th October 9.30am-10.30am Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November 9.30am-10.30am Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am-10.30am

Open Evening and Tour

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October 5pm-6pm Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November 5pm-6pm



#### Job Opportunities

We have a staffing opportunity on Eteach - please do look to see if either you or your family or friends may be interested in working in our wonderful School.

### **SEND/Safeguarding Updates**

### Keep up the momentum...

As the excitement and adrenaline of the first few weeks back at school wear off, the enthusiasm of some children may begin to wane. With half-term still a way off, there are things you can do to help keep the momentum going from Monday to Friday.

#### Stay positive and enthusiastic

Although you may not feel delighted about the return of having to be out of the door by 08:30 for the school run or overseeing homework, it is best if your child does not pick up on this. Project enthusiasm that your child can feed off. Chances are, if you take a positive interest in their day and are impressed with their achievements, they will feel more enthused too.

#### Get them involved

As the evenings are drawing in and the air's getting cooler, it can be tempting to snuggle down and bolster up the hatchets. But encouraging your children to get involved in after-school clubs can help them meet new friends and boost their creativity and engagement.

### Keep the balance right

As the days tick over, make sure your children keep up their routines of enough sleep, a good school/life balance and regular exercise, as well as downtime to relax and do the things they enjoy.

# Talk to your child's teacher if you are concerned

For some children, the challenges of school may go beyond simply needing a mid-term pick-meup. If you're concerned that your child is disengaging with school or worried there are bigger issues at play, talk to your child's teacher so that they can support you and your child.

# **Important Dates**



Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 1 Parents Meeting
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 2 Parents Meeting
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 3 Parents Meeting
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> September	Clubs start this week
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	School photographer in for children's individual photos
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 5 Parents Meeting
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October	Diversity Month focus starts
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	Phonics Workshop for EYFS and KS1 children
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	INSET day school closed for children. School closes for half term
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> October	Children return to school

