

The last day of term is Thursday 29th March.

School and Nursery re open on Monday 16th April



BPS Does Sport Relief

We have had a great time this week with our Sport Relief Mile challenges. We have jumped, wiggled, disco-danced, sung and generally boogied our way around the playground this week, all in aid of Sport Relief. We have made a fantastic £210 from selling wristbands and we'll be sending it off straight away to add to the national total. Thank you to everybody who donated and well done to all of the children who really pushed themselves but still managed to enjoy it!



Maths News



Bewdley Primary always strives to ensure the best outcomes for all our pupils. We have worked hard to improve standards in Maths across the school however this continues to be a focus. This is reflected across Bewdley and, indeed, Worcestershire with the county being well behind in national standards in Maths. We have been undertaking many changes and improvements such as a new Maths scheme, improving our use of concrete equipment to support understanding, developing strategies to improve the number of children able to work at greater depth, a focus on key number skills and training for the staff.

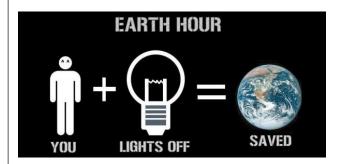
Local school head teachers and Maths subject leaders have met to agree a local strategy to ensure the schools work together to ensure that pupils achieve the best they can. We have agreed that The Bewdley School and Primary school staff will organise half termly 'parent engagement' activities to raise your awareness and provide a clearer picture of the importance of achievements in Maths and how you can support this.

This half term, parents of children at risk of not achieving age-related expectations in Maths will have a structured Maths conversation with their child's teacher. This conversation will discuss the specific area for improvement in Maths, explain how the school is supporting your child to 'catch up' in key skills and understanding, how parents can help at home as well as how pupils can increase their own focus and responsibility for their learning. These meetings will either be in addition to the normal parents' evening or as part of it, if your child is taught Maths by their class teacher. If it is an extra meeting specifically with your child's Maths teacher, you will receive a letter.

In the Summer term we will be organising parent workshops based on the feedback we get from parents during these Maths conversations. The aim of the workshops will be to give guidance on how parents can support their child's Maths learning at home.

ECO NEWS

Saturday 24th March – celebrate Earth Hour at home – turn off all non-essential electricity at home for one hour at 8.30pm. Take a photo of how you are supporting Earth hour at home and send to office@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk



Thank you to everyone who donated money when they wore green. You raised a fantastic £217.98. This money will be used towards the refurbishment of the pond.



Children in Reception and Years 1 / 2 need to come to school wearing their Forest School kit with wellies in a named bag. Years 3 / 4 need to bring their Forest School kit with them. Please make sure it is all named and you have a bag for your wellies.

Tuesday 27th March – Mrs Page Wednesday 28th March – Mrs Tench Thursday 29th March – Mrs Field



The Big BPS Book Fund

We have been absolutely overwhelmed by the response to our plea for some new books. We're hoping that these books will be labelled up and ready to read once the children return from their Easter holidays. A huge special mention, well done and thank you goes to Alfie and Matilda Ralls who completed a whopping 1 mile sponsored swim in aid of the fund. They have raised an outstanding £120 and have already decided which books they'd like to buy with the money!



Pupil Absence

<u>Polite reminder:</u> Please remember to report your child's absence from school before 9.30am on the day of their absence.



Summer Term After School Clubs

Please complete the After School Club reply form which has been sent home by

3.10pm on Monday 26th March.

You will be informed on Wednesday 28th March if your child has a place in their preferred club and club costs will be put on Parent Pay. If you require a form please see the school office.

Parents Evening

Tuesday 27th March – 3.30 – 5.30pm

If you have been unable to make one of the evening's please speak to your child's class teacher for an alternative date.



Toys in School

Please can we remind you that toys are not allowed in school as the loss or breakage of a favourite toy can cause upset for a child and it can also be a distraction in class.



The next meeting will be on Wednesday April 18th, 7.30pm at The Great Western.

Children were sent home with Easter Raffle tickets last week, if you require anymore please see the ladies in the school office.

All Raffle tickets need to be returned by Wednesday 28th

March.

Please help the PTFA to advertise the Bewdley Craft and Food Fair 2018 by sharing the facebook page. If you are a member of any organisation, e.g, church, club, business that could advertise this event for us please let us know.

RASCALs Bookings/Payments

Please can all RASCALs bookings for the Summer term be submitted in the post box in the foyer of the RASCALs building, no later than Tuesday 27th March. Alternatively, bookings can be emailed to Rascals@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk but please include your **child's name**, **class** and **session time**.

We require all RASCALs accounts to be cleared of any debt before we return after the Easter break. If there are accounts that are still in arrears when we return for the Summer term, then this may result in us not being able to take any further bookings until the debt is cleared.

We also require all RASCALs accounts to be credited in advance of any sessions that have been booked. This can be done on a weekly, monthly or termly basis, whatever suits you best.



Lucy Sinclair (Nursery) for showing us how well you can make friends, using your newly found confidence.

Bleu Mayall (Mrs Tench) for improved independent writing. Well Done! **Harry Speller** (Mrs Dunn/Mrs Trow) for trying so hard with his morning writing this week.

Angel Loveridge (Mr Morris) for showing enthusiasm and gaining independence in our Maths lessons this term.

Eve Cooper (Mrs Field) for using the strategies she has been taught to complete her maths assessment brilliantly.

Francesca Locker (Mrs Bennett/ Mrs Williams) for an amazing positive attitude towards becoming the best she can be – Well Done!

Cody Saunders (Mr Pritchard) for making mature choices on the playground. **Matthew Thompson** (Mrs Hares) for always working hard to do his best in this weeks assessments.

Hattie Ellis (Mrs Page) for amazing progress she has made in her writing this year. I'm so proud of you Hattie!

Sam Softley (Mrs Jones) for his tremendous work ethic. He always wants to do his best – just fabulous!

Tilly Wilson (Miss Bradley) for being so honest and open during our P4C sessions. **Olivia Fahy** and **Maisie Broadley** (Mr Cottrill) for showing real progress in their reading intervention group and doing really well with their Year 5 assessment. **Cameron King** (Year 6 Falcons) for fabulous effort during our Sports Relief miles – lots of enthusiasm!

Shanae Yeomans (Year 6 Eagles) for a positive attitude towards acquiring new skills in Maths and Language.

Well Done to Rhys Jones for achieving his 4th KYU in Karate.