



Beenham Primary School Newsletter



VALUES
EDUCATION

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The Value of HOPE

Our VALUE this month is
Hope

Dear parents



Daniel Hicks

We have continued looking at the Value of HOPE this week in our assembly.

The children watched a film clip about ordinary people who have done extraordinary things. I have uploaded the film clip onto the front page of our website. We used this film clip to think about our hopes and dreams, whether it be for the here and now or our ambition for when we get older.

We thought about these hopes in practical terms and what we actually need to do to achieve our goals. All the children have designed jars of hopes and dreams which we will display in the entrance hall next week.

Throughout our discussions we talked about the Values we would need to use to fulfill our dreams . . . Courage, Resilience, Patience, Positivity and Empathy.

We will continue to explore the Value of HOPE for the rest of the month.

What's happening in school over the next couple of weeks?

- Friday 24th January - Stars of the Week Assembly (parents welcome)
- Monday 27th January - Y5 Science Fun Day, Pangbourne College
- Monday 27th January - Y4 Maths Challenge, St Gabriels
- Friday 31st January - Dolphin Award Assembly (parents welcome)

Stars of the week



Mai Class – Phoebe Delaney and Megan Peate

Torak Class – Edwin Roe and Adam Horbacz-Khan

Mosi Class – Aidan Maslen-Leese and Lottie Haines

Team Points

Red Team - 466

Blue Team - 552

Green Team - 571

Yellow Team - 491

WORMS IN MAI CLASS

There have been several incidences of Worms in Mai class in the past few weeks . . . both before Christmas and after. Worms is a bit like head lice in that if every child who is infected is not treated, then it can continue to infect around and around the classroom. It is also a bit harder to check for than head lice.

We have attached a link to an NHS document below for your information.

We are asking that all parents check their child and treat if necessary. You can buy an off-the-shelf medication at your local chemist. If you are unsure whether your child has worms but is displaying some symptoms, then it won't do any harm to administer the medication anyhow.

Many thanks for your support.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/threadworms/>

FRIDAY ASSEMBLIES

The plan for Friday assemblies has now been published on the front page of the school website.

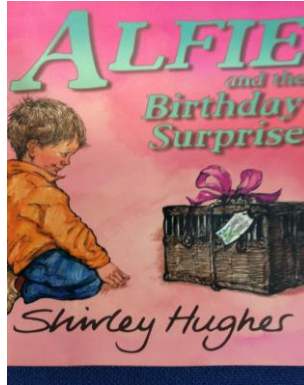


PTFA AGM will be held on Thursday 23rd January at 2pm in school. Please join if you are able to make it.

Mai Class information

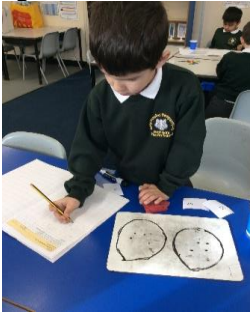
This week, Mai Class have been Reading 'Alfie and the Birthday Surprise, by Shirley Hughes. As our topic this term is 'Celebrations', we have explored how we celebrate birthdays. We made plans for having our own class birthday party and also made a cake by following instructions.

Our role play area has been turned into a Tea Party, based on the story of 'Alice in Wonderland'. So much fun!!



Torak Class information

This week in maths, the children have been looking at division. They have been sharing amounts into equal groups using a range of concrete resources.



To start our 'Celebrating Culture and Diversity' topic, we have been locating and labelling the countries of the UK and the world's continents. To deepen learning, the children engaged in creating a map of the UK using their bodies. "I was Northern Ireland. I'm small and on my own." "I was England because I was at the bottom."



Next week in topic, we will be looking at rivers and the water cycle.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Cannings

Mosi Class information

This week we have continued to investigate a range of Chinese fables and have used them to develop our understanding of speech punctuation and the use of commas for different purposes. All of the children have been working hard to extend and develop their writing through the use of conjunctions and prepositions; they really are challenging themselves to produce their best work. We will be using our knowledge of fables to write our own versions next week which will be a great opportunity to show off everything that we have learned throughout the unit.

In our maths lessons we have continued to work on multiplication and division with Year 4 beginning to learn the formal written method of multiplication. Year 5 have been introduced to long multiplication this week and have persevered to follow the complex method - I have been impressed with all of them and their positive attitude to some very tricky maths. Year 6 continue to work with decimals and fractions and are developing their understanding of equivalency.

New reading diaries have gone home this week and the children have been reminded that they should be filling in their diaries on a daily basis and completing a book task each week.



Happy New Year everyone!

We had our first school council meeting of the year this week and it was decided that the very popular tuck-shop needs to return! We will start again from next week, on a Thursday break-time.

If you are able to donate anything for us to sell, please bring it in on a Thursday morning.

We do have further things planned for this term so keep checking our section of the newsletter!

Thank you so much for your support.

After School Club

Monday 20th January - Games

Tuesday 21st January – Chinese Arts and Crafts

Wednesday 22nd January – Games

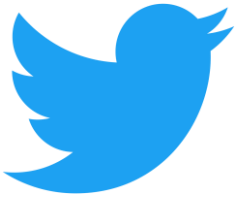
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Booking information and prices:

Places can be booked via the school office. The session price is £9 with a reduction to £8 for siblings. The price includes a snack.

Mobile No: 07830 367607

This number should only be used to contact us after 3pm (use the office number during school hours).



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MAKING CONTACT WITH SCHOOL STAFF

If you have an issue that you would like to discuss with any member of the school staff and you wish to make an appointment to see them, then please email them direct. We do encourage face to face contact whenever possible as we genuinely believe it is the best way to resolve any concern that you may have. Email addresses are as follows:

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[Beenham School Governor website](#)

NEWSLETTER COMMENTS

If you would like to comment or respond to any of the items in this newsletter then please email office@beenham.w-berks.sch.uk or fill in the slip below.

Name(s) _____

Parent/pupil comment:

Signed: _____ Parent/guardian/pupil