



Beaufort Primary School NEWSLETTER



September 2020



We are aware that some parents are concerned that we are continuing to serve the week 1 menu at the moment. In these uncertain times, we wanted to ensure that the children have some familiarity and routine during their time at school. We therefore looked at all the options available over the three weeks and, the children decided that the meals served on week 1 are their favourites. After half term we will be moving on to the meals served on week 3. Please see the attached menu flyer. We are sure that you will all agree that our children's happiness and wellbeing are important to us and, serving their favourite food is one way of ensuring that

SPECIAL DIET FORM

Each year we are required to send out to parents a Special Diet Form for you to complete. This provides us with information regarding any allergies or special dietary needs such as Halal, Gluten Free that your child has. This should be completed whether or not your child has school dinners. Likewise, during the year if your child's dietary/allergy needs change, please contact the office for a form to complete in order that we have the most up to date and accurate information on record. This year, we sent the forms out via email. If you did not receive the form and you need to complete one, or, your child's diet/allergy needs have changed, please contact the office and, we will send one out to you.

SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

If your child will reach age 11 between 1st September 2020 and 31st August 2021 they will be due to start secondary school in September 2021. You need to apply for a secondary school by 31st October.

<https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/admissions/secondary>

SECONDARY SCHOOL OPEN EVENINGS

We have been asked by a number of parents about secondary school open evenings in light of Covid-19. Each school is choosing their own way of conducting open evenings this year. Below are links to the websites of each of the local secondary schools, all of which have details about their open evening structure for this year or they have details of how to contact the school.

Woking High

<http://www.wokinghigh.surrey.sch.uk/>

Winston Churchill School

<https://www.wcsc.org.uk/>

SJB

<https://www.sjb.surrey.sch.uk/>

Hoe Valley

<https://www.hoevalleyschool.org/>

Bishop David Brown

<http://www.bdb.surrey.sch.uk/>



The latest digital Families magazine is available now at <https://bit.ly/2F9wJlg>



We are once again participating in the Walk On Wednesday (Travel Tracker) scheme. This is a scheme that aims to encourage children and parents to use a 'green' method of getting to school once a week. This is an excellent Wellbeing opportunity! An example of this is walking, cycling, park & stride. A survey is then taken of how the children get to school and at the end of each month those children who have attained the target (4 out of 4 weeks) will receive a badge. The winning class will also get a certificate to put up in their class room.

[Happy Walk on Wednesday!](#)

[Tik Tok App](#)

We are aware that some of our children have the Tik Tok app on their mobile devices. Please do keep an eye on your child's online activity as in our experience it is likely some of the content may not be age appropriate and may well end up being shared outside of TikTok. The age limit for social media is set to 13 years old and dangers such as these would support abiding by that set age range.

Further information for parents about the Tik Tok app, how it works, with its associated safety issues can be found here:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/hub/esafety-news/tik-tok-app-safety-what-parents-need-to-know/>

For more online safety information go to:-

<https://www.vodafone.co.uk/mobile/digital-parenting>

BEAUFORT FOOD BANK

As you probably know, an increasing number of families are facing food poverty. At Beaufort we can provide food to anyone in our school community who needs short-term and short notice help to tide them over for a few days. If you need this kind of help, please contact Maria Fry or Hannah Piper. We will arrange for you to visit our Beaufort 'shop' in the Hub or the delivery of a bag of shopping of your choice.

We would also be grateful for donations for our Beaufort Food Bank; non-perishables such as pasta, pasta sauce, rice, tinned fish or meat, baked beans, soup, breakfast bars and so on. Any excess food will be given to the local food bank or community fridge. Please leave donations in the office or with your class teacher.

As a school, we also work closely with Woking Food Bank and other food providers to support our school community. If you would like to access help or be referred to any of the services available, please contact Maria Fry in confidence and she will happily organise this for you.

mariafry@beaufort.surrey.sch.uk or 07815538403



We all need to take care of our mental health and wellbeing whether we have a mental health problem or not. Mental wellbeing describes how you are feeling and how well you can cope with day-to-day life. It can change from moment to moment, day to day, month to month or year to year. On Friday 9th October, it is Hello Yellow - World Mental Health Day. We are planning to fundraise for YoungMinds. Children can wear something yellow on World Mental Health Day and donate a coin if you wish to. Whether it is a scarf, hat or bow tie, we would like to see you supporting this worthwhile charity. Children will have a particular focus on mental health with activities in class across the day. This charity is working hard to fight for a future where all young minds are supported and empowered, whatever the challenges.

Why does YoungMinds' work matter? 1 in 10 children aged 5 - 16 suffer from a mental health problem such as depression, anxiety or an eating disorder. That is around three children in every classroom!

Internet Legends Assembly for Years 3 -6

Children in these year groups will be joining a live stream assembly hosted by Google on Friday 9th October. The focus will be on 'helping children to be safe and confident explorers of the online world'. This exciting opportunity has been organised to support our online safety curriculum.

PLEASE PARK RESPECTFULLY

We have had a few complaints from our neighbours about parents thoughtless parking at pick up time. One neighbour told us that a parent had parked a people carrier right on the corner of Watermead blocking the view.

FRIENDS OF BEAUFORT MUFTI DAYS

The Friends of Beaufort have scheduled the following dates as mufti days:

Friday 2nd October
Friday 6th November
Friday 4th December

Unlike previous years, due to the current restrictions they will not be asking you to donate particular items, but instead just make a suggested donation of £1 per child. The money will be collected in each class by the teacher, instead of at the gate.



This Friday 2nd October is a **Rainbow** Mufti Day. Children may come to school in their home clothes or wear bright and or as many colours that they want.



Thank you for your Jeans for Genes donations. We have £225.00 to send to the charity.

PAINT A PEBBLE AT SQUIRES



Children can paint a pebble to look like a vegetable, then receive a FREE pack of vegetable seeds from Squire's.

Pick up a free pebble from Squire's Information Desk, or use one of your own, then paint it at home to look like your favourite (or not so favourite!) vegetable. You could even bring it to life by adding a little face too!

Painted pebbles should be handed into the Information Desk at Squire's Garden Centres between 1st October and 8th November.

PARENT TEACHER MEETINGS

Following government guidance on Covid-19, we will not be holding face-to-face parent teacher consultations this year. We have decided to use phone calls for these meetings to ensure the safety of all concerned and equality of access for all parents and carers.

You will soon receive a Scopay message about how to book your meeting. These meetings will be taking place between 8th and 22nd October.

FLU IMMUNISATION

Thank you to those who have completed the flu e-consent form. Please do log on and complete the e-consent form even if you do not wish for your child to receive the vaccine. If you do not want your child to receive a vaccine, then please fill in the 'NO' box.

You can find out further information about this vaccine at the following links:

[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/806857/PHE Protecting Child Against Flu leaflet.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/806857/PHE_Protecting_Child_Against_Flu_leaflet.pdf)

<https://www.medicines.org.uk/emc/product/3296/smpc>

Complete the e-consent form for your child's flu vaccination at:

www.surreyimmunisations.co.uk (your school's unique code/URN number is **SR140508** which you will need to enter on to the flu consent form).

Please complete the e-consent form by 4pm on Monday 9th November 2020 (when the website portal will close). This allows time for the nurses to review and contact you if there are any concerns, prior to the sessions.

GOVERNOR VACANCIES

We have two vacancies for Parent Governors at the school.

The role of governor requires you to:

- get to know the school, including visiting the school occasionally during school hours and in agreement with the Headteacher, and gaining a good understanding of the schools' strengths and weaknesses
- look at issues objectively
- have confidence to ask questions and join in with debates
- have a willingness to listen and make informed judgements
- have the ability to work well with others
- attend induction training and regular relevant training and development events
- attend meetings and read all the papers before these meetings. The Full Governing Body meets seven times a year, generally in the evening.
- act in the best interests of all the pupils in the school
- behave in a professional manner, as set down in the local governing board's code of conduct, including acting in strict confidence.

If you have any financial experience, this could be beneficial but is not essential. We need parents who can offer the necessary time and commitment, which is important for this role. If you are interested in becoming a Parent Governor, please contact Jamie Oxborough, School Business Manager, for an application form (email info@beaufort.surrey.sch.uk or call 01483 474986).

If you have any questions about the role please contact our Chair of Governors Mr Rupert Crossland on chair@beaufort.surrey.sch.uk.

Applications should be in as soon as possible.