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Beech Early Years, Infant and Junior School

Weekly Newsletter



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Welcome back!

We are very happy to have Mrs Sinclair back in school after her operation. She is on a phased return at the moment but will be back with us full time from next week so you will see her around much more.

Survival School

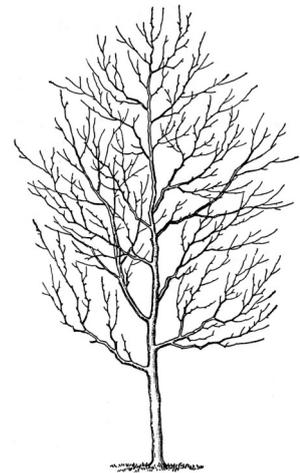
On Monday 12th January Y5 started survival school with Mr Leech. We went up to the woods in year 1 and year 2's playground. We had to wear hats scarves gloves.

Furthermore we had to take out boots because it was very muddy.

First of all, we collected ribs which are very thick branches. Then we found connectors which are thin bendy sticks that you can bend without snapping. They went into two separate piles. Next we had to take it in turns to take a rib which we had to straighten with both hands so we didn't hurt any one and stood them against a tree we had chosen. This was the start of our shelter.

The connectors were used to weave in and out of the ribs. There were also bushy branches for the roof of our shelter. I had a lot of fun in survival school. I think next time we will be finishing it.

Katie Y5



Assessments

This week Y6 have completed formal assessments. This was to check on the progress they are making and to identify what their teacher needs to focus on to help them get ready for their SATS in May. All other classes will be assessed next week.

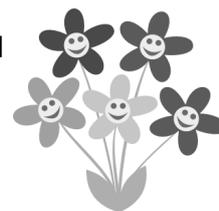
Do you know about... Spelling tests?

As you know there has been a lot of changes to the curriculum this year. Part of this has been a higher focus on basic skills such as spelling. More challenging content has been introduced and also the expectation that children should be able to follow dictation. This is so when the children leave primary school they will be able to spell more confidently.

Each class, as part of their homework, take home spellings to learn every week. We then test these and send home a copy of the test so you can see how your child has got on.

Spring Fayre

Please can we remind you that we are looking for donations for our stalls, so if you have any unwanted Christmas gifts or if you are having a spring clean we would appreciate any donations that we could sell or use as prizes.



Thank you for your support!

Attendance

| Rec | 1L | 2M | 3W | 4N | 5R | 6C |
|-------|-------|-------|-----|-------|-------|-------|
| 94.35 | 88.04 | 89.58 | 100 | 98.21 | 98.56 | 96.59 |

Our target is to have higher than 97% attendance in every class. Well done 3W !

Weekly Celebration Certificates

Well done to the following children for receiving the certificates of achievement in Celebration Assembly this week.

| Rec | 1L | 2M | 3W | 4N | 5R | 6C |
|-----|---------|--------|-------|---------|-------|-------|
| | Harmony | Lewis | Alfie | Leah | Megan | Harry |
| | Emilia | Jayden | Amy | Molisha | Jeda | Lewis |

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES W/C 12.1.15

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|--------|---------|-----------|-----------|---------|
| CHOIR | DANCE | FOOTBALL | DODGEBALL | FENCING |

If you are interested in your child attending a sports club please speak to Mrs Peacock or speak to Mrs Liles or Miss Wilson if you are interested in choir. There will be a £1 charge to attend choir as this is self funded.