

Beacon View Primary News

Dear Beacon View Families

It has been a great first week back with lots of further developments in school. You may have seen that our new log cabin has been installed this week, a huge thank you to the Cluster site team for building this. Part one of our site development involved the Forest Schools area and cabin, outdoor classroom, willow dome and the kitchen garden. The log cabin is part of the next phase of site development which we are currently working on, we hope this will include the removal of the last part of the old building. For the next couple of years, the cabin will be used to store resources for school and in the future we will have the option to develop it into a further outdoor teaching space.

Having multiple different areas within the school grounds enables us to support and develop the children's talents and skills both within the classroom and outside the classroom. We are also looking at opportunities for volunteers and BV families to be able to enjoy these spaces at other times. Please get in touch via school@beaconviewprimary.co.uk if you are interested in any of these areas or know someone who can further support us.

I hope the sun continues to shine on us this weekend and that you get to enjoy being outside together. We will see you all on Monday at 8.40 am to start again.

Kind regards
Sally Hodgson

Cars around the school

As part of the stomp project and to reduce pollution around the school, please ensure that you turn off your engines whilst waiting for your children at the end of the school day and at drop off. If you drop off at Cheltenham Road, please do not bring your cars into the gated area as this is used by pedestrians. Please work with us to keep our children safe.



Weather

Thank you to all the parents who are already sending their children in with hats, sun screen on and with their water bottles. If you haven't already started doing this, please can you ensure your child has a hat and a water bottle (not a Prime bottle please as per previous information) and that you put sun screen on them before they come to school.



Sports for Schools

I am blown away by the amazing fundraising everyone did for our sponsored sports event. The final total was **£5,175.52** this is huge! Whilst some of the money goes to the charity and athlete who worked with us, the majority comes to us in school and £1,200 has been allocated to the School council to decide on the resources that they would like for the playground. The remainder will go on PE equipment for lessons, clubs and additional equipment to further support our children with SEND. I know the children will be very excited to play with this equipment when it arrives.



Defibrillator

As part of the DFE programme, we now have a defibrillator in school. This is kept in main reception and can be accessed if needed. We have also registered it with The Circuit, a charity who work with the emergency services so that if someone calls for an ambulance and the person needs a defib they can direct them to the nearest one. We hope to never need it, however it is handy knowing that we have it there if we need it.



Attendance Statistics

We aim for all children to be in school every day. Each week a certificate for the best class attendance will be given out.

Congratulations to Garrison who achieved 98.1%

TO REPORT AN ABSENCE PLEASE CALL

02392 375302

OPTION 1

Arbor Pay

Online payments are coming at Beacon View, you should have received a letter via email before half term to explain how this will work. Please watch out for further updates. The aim is to launch on 1st July so that we can iron out any issues in the last three weeks of term, ready to be all online payments from September 2023.



Stomp to School

Children can earn fantastic rewards for their class and for the school by stomping - walking, cycling, wheeling or scooting - to school during the Pompey Monster Stomp to School Challenge

To take part children simply need to walk, cycle, wheel or scoot to school between Monday 5 June and Friday 14 July and record their stomps in the Go Jauntly app.

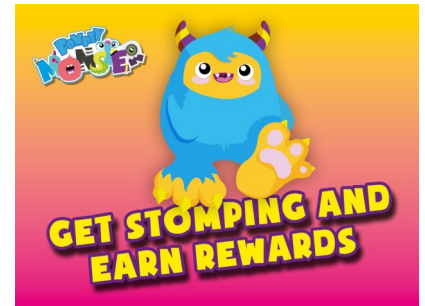
The Pompey Monster Stomp to School Challenge encourages friendly competition between classes, and with other schools, while helping to keep our roads safer and our air cleaner.

To help motivate children during the challenge, they are encouraged by Stomper, the leader of the Pompey Monsters, to stomp as much as they can on their way to and from school. Every stomp counts, since classes will compete with each other for extra playtime. All the children's combined total stomps add up as they compete against St Paul's for the chance to win the top prize - an exclusive BMX show for the school, or a great runner-up prize, new scooter parking!

As well as encouraging children to be more active, the challenge helps to reduce the number of children being dropped off and collected by car. This helps to keep the school gates clear of vehicles, improves road safety, and helps to develop cleaner air for the health of the whole school community and our neighbours.

Parents and carers who need to drive can park and stride. Parking a short distance away allows children to stomp at least some of the way, and every stomp counts!

To get started, download the Go Jauntly app on your mobile device, and access the challenge. Find out more about the Pompey Monster Stomp to School Challenge.



Celebration

Congratulations to Elcie who danced at Disneyland Paris over the half term holiday with her dance group, SD Studios in Buckland. We love being able to celebrate the things our children do outside of school in both celebration assembly on Friday and through the newsletter so please let us know, using the school email.



Please park considerately when coming to school

Please **do not** park across the staff car park gate on Allaway Avenue, or enter the gates at the bottom of Cheltenham Road

Our priority is to keep children safe



Armed Forces Day

On **Friday 23rd** of June children are invited to wear Red White and Blue for Armed forces day. Any donations will go to The Royal British Legion.



Smoking

Please can we kindly ask that parents/ carers do not smoke around the gates at the entrance of the school. Thank you



SEND - Did You know?

Dyslexia

Dyslexia is a learning difficulty which **primarily affects reading and writing skills**. However, it does not only affect these skills.

Dyslexia is actually about **information processing**.

Dyslexic people may have **difficulty processing and remembering information they see and hear**, which can affect learning and the acquisition of literacy skills.

Dyslexia can also impact on other areas such as **organisational skills**.

It is important to remember that there are positives to thinking differently. Many dyslexic people show **strengths** in areas such as reasoning and in visual and creative fields.

School cannot diagnose dyslexia. This can only be done by an educational psychologist or a specialist dyslexia teacher. However, we can screen children to get an indication of whether they have possible dyslexic difficulties.

Cake Sale!

On the following dates, the SEND Parent Group will be holding a cake sale to raise money for

SEND events:

Friday 16th

Thursday 22nd

Thursday 29th

All at pick-up time at the Marsden Road exit.



DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday 23rd June— Armed forces day

Monday 26th June—Photo Day

Monday 26th June(3:15-4pm)—Moving into Y6 (year 5 families only)

Friday 30th June—INSET DAY

Tuesday 4th July—Y3/4 Sports Day

Wed 5th July - YR1/2 Sports Day

Thurs 6th July—Y5/6 Sports Day

Tuesday 18th July (3:15-4:30)—Summer Fayre

Friday 21st July—Last day of term

Wednesday 6th September—First day back for children in September.

St Michael's church
will be open on
Paulsgrove carnival day
24th June 2023 11am-3pm

Come and join us for refreshments including our famous bacon butties and home made cakes
lots of stalls and games

Games
Bric a brac
Cakes
face painting
And much more

Raffle
Snail racing
Tombola