Beaufront First School Newsletter

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Dear Parents and carers

Welcome back to our returning families and a very warm welcome to our new starters! I hope you all managed a rest and some good times over the summer break. The Olympics and Paralympics were amazing – the weather was not so great!

We have a great deal of exciting learning opportunities lined up and we will keep you updated.

The children have all settled into their classes so quickly and enjoyed getting to know their new teachers and classmates and it's lovely to see them all happy and pleased to see each other again - it's been a happy start to the new school year. Thank you to all the parents who came to last night's 'Meet the Teacher' evening. We hope you found it useful and were able to have any questions you had answered.

We will send out all the information to all families early next week. We have a brand new ethos, Values and a curriculum that will enable the children to thrive at Beaufront. My aim is to make them as active and engaged as possible.

I look forward to seeing you all over the coming year.

Best wishes

Mr Hanford

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Awards

Early Years

Toby, Ben and Grace

Class 1

Nic and Daisy

Class 2

Lucas, Ralph O, Pippa and Erin

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Important Information

Newton's Scarecrow Trail, Saturday 21st September

The Newton Village council have organised what promises to be a wonderful Scarecrow Trail on Saturday, 21st September to raise funds for the Great North Air Ambulance. This is a charity close to the hearts of Beaufront School and so we have entered our very own scarecrows. Please do consider going along and supporting this event and if you are able, you can make a donation via this link: https://gofund.me/6c113fa6

For more information about the Scarecrow Trail see a flyer has been sent via School Gateway.

Flu Immunisations - Thursday 3rd October

The School Immunisation Team will be coming to BFS on Thursday 3rd October. This is for all children from Reception to Year 4 (not nursery).

Please can you follow the link below to give your consent/no consent for the vaccine.

https://www.northumbriaimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu

The school code is: NB122222

Middle School Places for September 2025 – Year 4

It is now time for children in Year 4 to apply for the next phase of school starting in September 2024. The NCC Portal opened yesterday, 12th September, and closes on **31st October 2024**.

All children in Year 4, who are due to transition to Middle School in September 2025 will need to make an on time application: <u>Citizen Portal - Sign in (northumberland.gov.uk)</u>The link to the school admissions website is <u>here</u>. This gives parents advice and information. If you have any problems or need advice please contact the school admissions team on 01670 624889.

Please note a late application may affect where your child is allocated.

School Gateway

Thank you for all new parents signing up to School Gateway and for being patient with the teething problems. If anyone is still having problems with get in touch with Kate in the office or email ad-

min@beaufront.northumberland.sch.uk. For Safeguarding reasons you must let us know if your child is attending a club beforehand otherwise we will need to call to ensure their safety.

A reminder for all children doing after-school clubs parents are welcome to pack a piece of fruit and/or healthy snack for them to eat between the end of school and the start of club.

School Permission Forms and Data Collection Sheets

Thank you to all those who have returned the consent forms and data collection sheet. For those that haven't, please can you ensure to return these at the start of next week. There is a Forest School walk planned for all sessions and we will need the Trip consent forms for these.

Tax Free Childcare

Beaufront First School is signed up to the Tax Free Childcare Scheme – you can use your account to pay for before and after-school clubs. Please follow this <u>link</u> to find out details and if you're eligible for the scheme.

In summary, if eligible for every £8 you pay into the account the government will pay in an extra £2 to be used to pay for your wrap-around care at school.

Second-hand uniform

We are looking for a willing parent to take over the running of the second-hand school uniform. It can be stored at school but it would be amazing if someone would be happy to keep track of what there is and be the point of contact for any families looking for uniform. Please get in touch if you are up for this. Many thanks.

Beaufront Show, Saturday 7th September

If your child comes home with money today it is because a piece of their work won a prize in the Beaufront Show last weekend - well done!

Timetable Information

Beaufront After School Clubs from September 23rd 2024, 3.30 - 4.30pm

Monday

Dance with Pip and Ms Couzens, Choir Club with Mrs Boucetla and Mrs Cameron

Tuesday

Gardening Club with Juliet/Afterschool care

Wednesday

Multisports Club/After school care

Thursday

Art club with Zoe and Ms Couzens/Afterschool care

4:30-5pm Monday-Thursday

After school care provided with snack included

Diary Dates

Tuesday 17 September Class 2 swimming Tuesday 24 September Vision screening for Reception Thursday 3 October Flu immunisations - whole school Thursday 24 October Break up for half term, 3.15pm Friday 25 October Teacher Training Day - school closed **Monday 4 November Back to school** Wednesday 18 December Whole school trip to the pantomime at The Queen's Hall Friday 20 December Break up for the Christmas holidays, 3.15pm **Monday 6 January School starts - Spring Term 1** Thursday 20 February Break up for half term, 3.15pm Friday 21 February Teacher Training Day - school closed **Monday 3 March School starts - Spring Term 2** Friday 11 April Break up for the Easter holidays, 3.15pm **Monday 28 April School starts - Summer Term 1 Monday 5 May School closed - Bank Holiday** Friday 23 May Break up for half ter, 3.15pm **Monday 2 June School starts - Summer Term 2**

Friday 18 July Break up for summer holidays