

# BEECH GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter for Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> May, 2008

## WALK TO SCHOOL WEEK – week commencing 19<sup>th</sup> May

Next week we will be taking part in this national event to encourage families to leave the car at home and stretch their legs – saving fuel costs and keeping healthy at the same time, as well as easing the car chaos outside school! You will get a leaflet at the end of this week explaining more. Please play your part if at all possible!

## Safety in the Sun

We would like to remind everyone to take care not to burn in the sun. Remember the three golden rules for being *SunSmart*.



Stay in the shade when the sun is hottest



Cover up – don't burn up



Use your sun cream

During the school day we will make sure that the children are not out in the sun for too long a time. We are very aware of how important this is.

**We suggest that you apply sunscreen to your child in the morning, before school.** If you wish to send sunscreen in to school please make sure that it is clearly labelled. Your child does need to be able to apply the sunscreen themselves, as teachers cannot do this for them. A practice at home might be a great idea! On hot days the children will also need a named hat – the PTFA sell legionnaire style hats at the bargain price of £1. Don't forget about children's arms when they are doing PE. Our school PE t-shirts have short sleeves, which offer protection. These are on sale in the school office. **Finally, please don't forget to talk to your children about the importance of staying safe in the sun.**

## Dress sensibly please

May we also remind you of the school dress code: strappy t-shirts and flip-flops for the girls are not appropriate in school.

## **SUMMER UNIFORM**

### **GIRLS:**

Grey Skirt/Pinafore

School White Polo Shirt (with logo optional)/ White Shirt (**Not strappy T-shirt**)

Or Green and White Dress

### **BOYS:**

School White Polo Shirt (with logo optional) or White Short Sleeved Shirt/ (**Not T-shirt**)

Grey/Black Shorts (Not PE Shorts) or trousers

## **DISABLED? HOW CAN WE HELP?**

We are currently looking at ways in which we can make sure that everyone linked to our school can get full access to its services and facilities. If you or any members of your family are disabled we would welcome your views on how we can make Beech Green more 'user friendly' for you. We would especially like to hear from you if you have had problems in the past using the school. You can contact by phone, in writing, or by e-mail. – [admin@beechgreen.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:admin@beechgreen.gloucs.sch.uk)

### **Heads down – but not before a hearty breakfast!**

It is a busy week in school this week with the children taking tests. Y6 are also taking their SATs exams this week and we wish them all the best with those. To help them along the way the staff in Y6 has been coming in early to make breakfast for the children. So far they have munched their way through 14 loaves of bread, 5 pots of jam, 13 boxes of cereal, 42 pints of milk, an orchard of fruit and almost 100 croissants! The early morning café approach seems to have set everyone up for the day in a relaxed and pleasurable way. Rumour has it; there is a treat on the menu in Y6 for Friday! Bacon butties all round I believe – can't be bad!

### **Absence Report**

It is almost the time of year when the Department for Education set our statistics for attendance!

Any child who has any unexplained absences, of which there are quite a few at the moment, will go down as unauthorised – and this mark cannot be changed at a later date! We have written to parents requesting reasons for absence, where appropriate, and if no answer was returned, unauthorised absences will show on that child's school report next term.

### **Lost Property**

There is heaps of lost property in the school office waiting to be claimed! Those items that are named have been returned – if you are missing something please come and take a look for it in the remainder of the lost property before it is re-cycled.

### **Second Hand Uniform Sale – PTFA – after school tomorrow.**

**LAUNDRY PENS – NEW – on sale from the PTFA at £1.50 each – no more lost property!**

**Before School Cross County** – This Friday will be our last run of the season. We look forward to re-starting this winter club at the end of September 08.

### **Music Tuition**

Reminder – music tuition fees for the summer terms are now due. Please send in any money owing to the office as soon as possible.

### **Staff Vacancy**

We have vacancies for midday supervisors. The job entails supervising the children at lunchtime, helping them with their lunch and even playing with them in the sunshine! We have a friendly team in place – many of whom have been working here for several years. See Mrs Phillips in the office for further information. This post is subject to a criminal records bureau check.

### **Picnic Tables**

We have a number of picnic tables (with attached seating) around the school that are in need of some loving care and attention. If you would like one, make us an offer! See Mrs Phillips in the office.

### **Cool Milk at Beech Green – Term 6**

If you would like your child to have “Cool Milk” straight from the fridge during the morning break, please remember to register directly with the company, who will invoice you direct. **Please remember to quote your child's class!**

Log on to [www.coolmilk.com](http://www.coolmilk.com) – you will need our **school code number**, which is **3111**.

Alternatively, you can register free by phone on 0800 3213248, application forms are available from the school office, or e-mail [admin@coolmilk.com](mailto:admin@coolmilk.com)



ITEMS FOR SALE – to advertise in this section please send details up to 25 words + £1 – Beech Green Primary School is not responsible for any of the items advertised in this newsletter.	
Nike Football boots with studs – size 5.5 – offers to 01452 723303 (3 pairs available)	
Swimming lessons for non-swimmers and swimmers age 3+. Sat/Sun 8.15-10.00 - Qualified instructors (CRB checked). £3 per lesson. Telephone Dave 539884 or Karen 724117	
<i>Did you get your post this week?</i>	
KS 1	KS 2
	Y6 – end of SATs party

Contact school on [admin@beechgreen.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:admin@beechgreen.gloucs.sch.uk)  
<http://www.beechgreenprimary.ik.org/>

**Beech Green Out of School Clubs**

We are in the process of reviewing our waiting lists for breakfast and after school clubs. Mrs Mansfield is finding that when she contacts parents on the list, they no longer require the places. To ensure we can allocate places quickly and efficiently we would ask that you complete the slip below if you would like to be on the waiting list for either club. If you are already on the waiting list, please fill in the slip to confirm you still require places. If you are already on the waiting list you will not lose your place in the queue as a result of this review. If we do not receive your reply by Friday 22nd May we will assume you no longer want your child on the waiting list.

Thank you for your support, we hope this review will ensure we can allocate places more efficiently as they become available.

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TO: MRS MANSFIELD

Childs name..... Contact telephone number.....

I would like to put my child on the waiting list for **Breakfast Club** (please tick the sessions you require)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday

I would like to put my child on the waiting list for **After School Club** (please tick the sessions you require)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday

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