



# BEAFORD SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Life, Love and Learning to the full

Friday 15th March 2024

Dear Parents

We've had assessment week at Beaford this week, which to be honest isn't every child's idea of fun but these are a necessary tool so we can plan our provision for the children next term. We have balanced this out with a whole school art focus week on the theme of 'This is Me' and all the staff have been amazed at the children's outcomes. They've used a mixture of digital media, collage and sketch work to produce self portraits that encapsulate their identity. We cannot wait to get them on display!

In assembly on Monday we discussed how we could prepare for our new gardening tubs that should arrive soon. Zenna, Zoe and the children have been hard at work at lunchtimes dismantling the old ones and shovelling the soil ready for the new ones. The children came up with wonderful ideas for flowers to plant, herbs and vegetables we could use and fairy gardens to create.

On Wednesday Reverend Ally delivered a wonderful assembly about Spring and personal growth and Mr Northmore ran a workshop on Early maths for the Reception parents.

On Friday, volunteers from the Friends of Beaford came in and hid Easter Eggs across the school. Next week, children have the challenge of finding them! They can also enter an Easter Raffle to win Easter eggs for a small donation of 50p.

On Thursday next week while our Reception class are exploring Exmoor Zoo, our Nursery team are running a free stay and play session for two year olds (or soon to be twos). This is a fantastic opportunity for parents to come and see our rich nursery environment. There are places at Beaford available for two year olds in the Summer term so please come along with your little ones and spread the word to any friends you have who would be interested.

George Myers



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## Owls

This week the Owls have enjoyed their art project, 'This is me!' They have had fun using google drawing to edit photos with different filters. The Owls have created backdrops which will be layered over with pictures of their favourite things created in a range of different mediums using pastels, paint, watercolour pencils etc. In singing assembly, Josh G played our entrance and exit music on the piano which the rest of the children really enjoyed! We're really proud of the Owls this week as they have shown huge resilience in completing assessments in reading, maths and grammar. We're really proud of you.



## Otters

Otters have had a very busy week. We have been completing assessments for maths, reading, spelling and grammar and the children have been so resilient and shown an excellent attitude. We have also found time for some hockey and a lot of art with our "This is Me" mini-project. We are already beginning to think about next term and are excited to be able to plan a day-trip to the Bristol Museum and Art Gallery, more on this soon! Next week will be back to normal with our regular timetable.



## Hedgehogs

Hedgehogs have been drawing self-portraits this week and thinking carefully about the things that make them who they are. The outcome will make a beautiful display in the hall representing 'building self-esteem'. They have enjoyed using a range of art techniques to produce their final piece. The children participated in a lovely assembly delivered by Reverend Ally on Wednesday and they got to share their knowledge about seeds and trees. All of the children have been engaging in assessments this week which they have worked really hard on. Their effort and thinking has been noticed by all staff.



## Ladybirds

The Ladybirds have been busy this week creating their very own Aquarium. They have had to create animals they would find in the deep blue sea and think about a fact that they can tell people when they visit. We have been looking into saving our beaches through the book 'Clean Up.' We have looked at the rubbish the beaches can have on them and we have spoken about ways in which we can help. Watch this space! The reception children have been looking at patterns in their maths learning, and where we can find them in our world. A massive thank you to our reception parents who attended the maths workshop this week, your support is invaluable and hopefully it gave you an insight into their learning.



# CELEBRATION OF EXCELLENCE

This week awarded to

Ladybirds	Benji for working really hard and persevering when things get challenging.
Hedgehogs	Evie for her mature attitude to her learning- she strives to do her very best. When Evie found something more challenging on her test paper, she went home to have a look at that particular area of maths.
Otters	Izzy for her effort and perseverance with her reading. Izzy has made huge progress since the Autumn term because of her resilience and focus. Well done Izzy!
Owls	Milo for being so engaged with our class book, 'Running on the Rooftop of the World'. He always has such brilliant and thoughtful contributions about the story and thinks about what he would do if he was the character in the book! Well done Milo!

## Contribution Certificates

awarded to

Ladybirds	Una for taking pride in her classroom and looking after the adults.
Hedgehogs	Rala for being such an encouraging, helpful member of our class. Rala is always quick to ask if someone needs help including her friends and teachers.
Otters	Henrietta for showing great heart in PE lessons. Henrietta uses her head and her heart and sets an excellent example to other children with her resilience and attitude. Well done Henrietta!
Owls	Poppy for being so resilient this past week and always finding fun in everything she does. Poppy can always be relied on to take on responsibility and regularly sets up for assembly without needing to be asked. Thank you Poppy!

Opal	Amelia, Ellie, Phoebe, Isabelle and Elisabeth for wearing wellies on the grass and for playing football with a smile on their face and including others.
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Special Mentions	Oliver M for always treating the younger children with genuine kindness and care! You make a real difference!
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Mr George Myers  
Head of school

# DATES

for your diary



**3rd January**

1st Day of Spring Term

**18th March - 20th March**

Friends of Beaford  
Easter Eggs Hunt

**18th - 22nd March**

Go Beyond Residential

**18th March**

Hedgehogs &  
Reception  
Theatre in School

**19th March**

Reception Parental  
Consultations

**21st March**

2 Year Olds Stay and  
Play morning

**21st March**

Reception to  
Exmoor Zoo

**25th March**

Parental Consultations  
Week

**29th March**

Easter Holiday Starts

## Leavers Hoodies

Please can parents make sure they have paid for thier leavers hoodies by Wednesday 20th March.

## Parental Consultations

Time is running out to book your slot for a parental consultation. If you haven't done so already, please don't forget to log into Arbor and reserve your space

## Arbor Meal Accounts

Please can all meal accounts be kept topped up. School meals do not work on a credit system. If you are experiencing any difficulties paying, please contact the school office.

## PE Days

On the day that your child has PE, please make sure they come to school in their PE Kits and have a change of clothes should they need them.

Monday	Owls
Wednesday	Otters
Friday	Reception & Hedgehogs & Owls

## Attendance This Week

Reception - 98%

Hedgehogs - 94%

Otters- 97%

Owls - 91%



## Breakfast & After School Club

Breakfast Club (Mon- Friday) 8.00am - 8.45am

After School Club (Mon - Thurs) 3.30pm - 5.00pm

£4.00 per session

Pupil Premium eligible children receive a 50% Discount

Payment is through Arbor.

## Nursery Fees

From the 1st April our Nursery charges will increase:  
3/4 year old sessions - £5.22  
2 year old session - £6.30

## Funded Childcare

Don't forget, if you want to use your working entitlement funding in the Summer term, you will need to have applied for and received your code by 31st March.

**DON'T FORGET**

## The School Office

Emails are only monitored between 8.30am - 12.30pm. If you need to speak to someone urgently please call the school number 01805 603263. If no one answers, please leave a message and someone will contact you as soon as they can.





## Friends of Beaford Raffle Prizes

Friends of Beaford are going to be organising a number of raffles and a Summer Fair this year and are on the lookout for non-perishable prizes.

If you have anything you would like to donate whether it be a bottle of wine, a beauty product or if you are a business owner, perhaps a gift voucher or product, all would be greatly appreciated and very welcome.

If you are able to donate anything, please pass to Emily at the office.



# Menu

## Monday

Pork Sausages / Toad in the Hole

V – Vegetarian Sausages  
Creamed Potato & Mixed Veg

Peach Melba

## Tuesday

Beef Lasagne

V – Vegetarian Lasagne  
Crusty Bread, Peas & Carrots

Lemon Drizzle Cake

## Wednesday

Roast Gammon

V – Broccoli & Cheese Bake  
Roast Potatoes & Cauliflower, Carrot & Suede

Fruit Platter

## Thursday

BBQ Chicken

V - Macaroni Cheese  
Rice and Seasonal Veg

Iced Vanilla Sponge

## Friday

Salmon Fish Cakes

V – Cheese Wheels  
Golden Fries & Baked Beans

Chocolate Cracknel

Friends of Beaford School

# MAD MARCH

## Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March



**All Children are invited to come in with crazy hair in return for a £1 donation which will go directly to Friends of Beaford School**



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## Outdoor Weather Gear

Has your child outgrown their wellies or overalls? Beaford Primary are desperately needing outside weather gear donations. If you do have any outgrown items that you no longer need, please feel free to drop them into the school office and they will be gratefully received.

A reminder also that due to the poor weather the playground and field are very muddy, **please can you ensure you send your children to school with a clean change of clothes every day.**

## Change of Menu

There will be a change of menu on the last day of term (Thursday 28th March)

We will be serving Fish, Chips & Peas or Cheese Wheels followed by Fruit Muffin for dessert.

## Football Club

Unfortunately due to staff commitments, there will be **NO FOOTBALL CLUB on Monday 18th March**

After school club will be running as normal.

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# EASTER EGG HUNT

Can you find all the Easter eggs hidden around school?

If you can write where they are on your sheet!

When you have finished give your sheet to your teacher with your 50p! You'll be entered into a lucky dip draw to win a chocolate Easter egg!



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# EASTER EGG HUNT

Find the hidden eggs from around school,  
write their locations on the Easter egg  
hunt sheet!

Completed sheets to be handed in to  
teachers with 50p entrance fee by Wed  
20th March.

All entrants will be entered in to a lucky  
dip for their year group. The winners  
drawn by Mr. Myers will each receive a  
Chocolate Easter egg (1 per year group).

The hidden eggs can be found from  
Monday 18th March till the end of the day  
Wednesday 20th with all enteries made by  
3.30pm Wednesday 20th.





# A Parent's Guide to Cyberbullying



**Many young people who are victims of cyberbullying suffer in silence.**

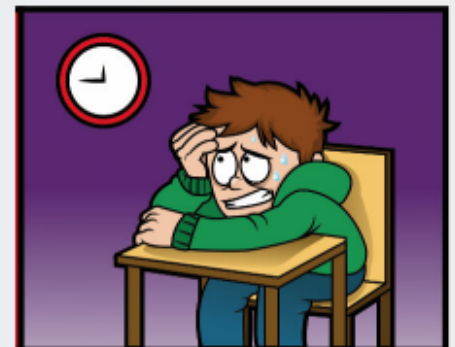
They feel they can't turn to parents or a trusted adult for support as they fear they may get in trouble or have their devices taken away from them. It can carry on all day, all evening and all weekend for the world to see, causing a lot of emotional stress to the victim and their family.



scan the QR code with your phone's camera for Parent Guides on how to help keep your children safe online



**It can very quickly lead to the victim feeling trapped, scared and vulnerable to grooming and blackmail.**



**Online safety is when young people know who they can tell if they feel upset by something that has happened online.**

**Parents** please contact your school to enquire attending their next e-safety workshop or have any concerns.

**Working with Home Office 'PREVENT', The Police and Crime Commissioner and Children's Safeguarding Partnerships to help keep children safe online.**

**Skips Educational** Email: [info@skipsed.com](mailto:info@skipsed.com) Tel: +44 121 227 1941

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# Community News & Events

## Small Pet / Craft / Produce Show



Saturday 23rd March



Open from 9am, judging starts at 11am

Classes for adults and children (50p per class entry)

Ribbons or certificates to be won

Café, wheelchair accessible play park, garden, animals, changing places toilet, sensory room.

Classes include painting, photography, cross stitch, sewing, baking, cake decorating, Lego sculptures & small animals. Contact us or pop into our café for the full list.



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**EASTER 2024 HOLIDAY CLUBS**

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**EASTER HOLIDAY CLUB**

Join us for a fun filled Easter of football, games, competitions & prizes  
Girls & Boys  
Ages 4 - 15 years  
9am - 4pm

**APRIL 2ND - 5TH 2024**

<b>EARLY BIRD OFFER</b> £25 PER DAY Offer closes 10th March	<b>FULL WEEK OFFER</b> £90 Best Price
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**APRIL 8TH - 12TH 2024**

<b>EARLY BIRD OFFER</b> £25 PER DAY Offer closes 10th March	<b>FULL WEEK OFFER</b> £110 Best Price
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£30 Per day after the 10th March

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CHURCH

# Messy Church *Easter*

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Fun crafts, story, singing and refreshments

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BEAFORD VILLAGE HALL 30TH MARCH  
2-3PM



EGGCELLENT

# Easter

Face  
Painting  
Inflatables  
'Emazdad'  
Magic  
Shows

FAMILY FUN

CASTLE HILL  
GARDENS

Garden  
Trail  
Chocolate  
Prize  
Food &  
Drink

FRIDAY 29TH MARCH

## BUNNY HUNT



£8 Adults / £4.50 Child

Easter garden trail & chocolate prize  
Magic Shows • Under 5s free  
Additional charge for face painting  
& bouncy castle

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[www.castlehilldevon.co.uk](http://www.castlehilldevon.co.uk)



## Activity Morning

St Peter's Church  
Roborough

March 29<sup>th</sup> 10.30am – 12.30pm

a family fun morning of crafts,  
activities, food, music & story.

For more information contact  
Jacque 01805 603602

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# BEAFORD COMMUNITY NURSERY & PRIMARY SCHOOL

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# Stay and Play

Come and join us for a Stay and Play session

Specifically designed for two year olds

On Thursday 21st March from 10am - 12noon

Contact us now to reserve your place



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