

Beaufront First School

3rd November 2017

Newsletter School News

There have been a number of instances recently of children not behaving appropriately in the wood at the end of the day after they have been dismissed by the staff and handed over to their parents or carers.

During the school day we make it very clear to all children that, to ensure their safety, they must not climb the trees in the wood/climb any fence around the school/ behave roughly or use sticks as 'weapons'. The children are only to go in the wood if a member of staff is directly supervising the area.

We will be working with the children over the next few weeks to ensure that they fully understand the 'rules' of playing in the wood and with this in mind the wood will be closed to children after school until further notice. We would be very grateful if you would support us by not allowing your child in the wood at the end of the school day. We would also ask that you pass this information on to any adult who collects your child/ren.

We will of course inform you when the wood is 'open' again.

Thank you in advance for your co-operation.

Tag Rugby Event – 30th October

Some of the children from Year 4 took part in a Tag Rugby Tournament at Tynedale Rugby Club in Corbridge earlier this week. Most of the schools in the Tynedale area took part and the children from Beaufront did fantastically well, coming joint second overall. Well done to those who took part.

'Silver Smarties' fundraiser

You may remember before the half term holiday, that we invited all the children to fill a Smartie tube with 20p coins by completing small 'tasks' at home. The deadline for returning the Smartie tubes is Monday 6th November. Please try to encourage your child to fill their Smartie tube over the weekend.

Thank you in advance for your help.

Admissions for September 2018 – Reception Class

The Online Admission Portal for children who will start Reception Class in September 2018, opens on Sunday 5th November. All admissions are made via this portal. Please look on Northumberland County Council's website – School Admissions for details of how to apply. If you have problems accessing the portal or have not received any information from Northumberland County Council regarding applying for a place, please contact the Admissions Team on 01670 624889. **Please note that the closing date for all applications for a place in Reception in September 2018 is Monday 15th January 2018.**

After School Clubs

Monday – Sports Club – Class 2 children only

Tuesday – Art Club

Tuesday – ‘Connected Kids’ – Introduction to meditation and mindfulness club

Thursday – Dance Club

Data Collection Sheets

Thank you to those parents who have returned the copy of their child’s Data Collection Sheet that was sent out just before half term. If you have not yet returned it to school, could you please ensure that you check the copy, amend where necessary, sign and date it and return it to the school office as soon as possible. The Data Collection Sheet should be signed and returned even if there are no changes.



This is the new e-safety advice which will be at the front desk whenever you visit Beaufont or accompany pupils on school trips:

Adults visiting our school or accompanying pupils on trips play a crucial role in ensuring that our pupils understand the need to use the internet / mobile devices in an appropriate way.

We ask that you help us to promote good online safety and help us to safeguard pupils, staff and yourselves as visitors to school, by ensuring that you:

- Switch your phone to silent and ensure Bluetooth is disabled.
- Keep your phone out of sight and do not use your phone when children are present.
- Do not use personal tablets/ laptops.

We will inform you if phones or tablets may be used at some special school events or performances. However, please ensure that any digital and video images taken are not shared on social media sites without written permission from the child’s parents/ carers.

You will also find a copy of the latest ‘Digital Parenting Magazine’ in your child’s bookbag today.

Thank you for helping us to keep our pupils safe.

PTA news

Nearly New Clothes Sale – Tuesday 7th & Wednesday 8th November

We will be holding a nearly new clothes sale at 'pick-up' on Tuesday 7th November and at 'drop off' on Wednesday 8th November. We are appealing for donations of good quality clothes/shoes/accessories for all ages. Please try to spare a little time over the weekend to look out any of your unwanted items and drop them off at school on Monday or Tuesday next week. It would be fantastic if any parents are able to spare some time to help set up/serve/dismantle the clothes sale next week. Please see either Ali Anderson or Helen Loudon if you are able to help. Many thanks

Diary Dates

Please note that new dates are shown in italics

Tues 7 th November/Wed 8 th November	PTA Clothes Sale
Friday 17 th November	'Children in Need' Day
Friday 1 st December	PTA Festive Evening 5pm – 7pm
Friday 15 th December	School Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper Day
Tuesday 19 th December	Community Christmas Performance – 10.00am – further details to follow.
Wednesday 20 th December	Christmas Performance 2.00pm & 6.00pm
Thursday 21 st December	Beaufront 'Big Breakfast Morning'
Friday 22 nd December	School closes for Christmas Break

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Monday 8 th January	School reopens for Spring Term
Thursday 8 th February	School closes for Spring Half Term
Friday 9 th February	Teacher Training Day
Monday 19 th February	School reopens
Thursday 29 th March	School closes for Easter Break
Monday 16 th April	School reopens for Summer Term
Monday 7 th May	Bank Holiday
Friday 25 th May	School closes for Summer Half Term
Monday 4 th June	School reopens
Friday 29 th June	Whole School Triathlon.
Friday 6 th July	Whole School Summer Garden Day
Friday 13 th July	Sports Day
Wednesday 18 th July	Whole School visit to Tynemouth Beach
Thursday 19 th July	Beaufront Leaver's BBQ
Friday 20 th July	Leaver's Assembly
Friday 20 th July	School closes for Summer Break
Monday 3 rd September	Teacher Training Day
Tuesday 4 th September	School reopens for Autumn Term