



Welcome Back to the Summer Term!

By Sam Eathorne

To all of our parents and carers - I wanted to take this opportunity to welcome your families back for a busy summer term. This is the first issue of our school newsletter; a place to find key dates and events, but also a place to reflect on some of the fabulous work and achievements your children have accomplished in the Spring term.

I always believe that the summer term brings out the best in children; they have matured in their year group and know and understand our expectations of them. This brings confidence and character development.

It is such a privilege to watch your children grow and develop into kind and responsible members of our school community and I look forward this flourishing over the next six weeks.

Kind regards,
Mrs Eathorne



DATES FOR THE DIARY

3rd May - Year 4 Woburn trip

5th May - Coronation Picnic on school field

8th May - Bank Holiday for the coronation - school closed

9th - 12th May - Year 6 SATs

9th - 19th May - Year 2 SATs Weeks

19th May - Year 2 dance workshop - please come to school in PE kit.

15th May - Mental Health Awareness Week

22nd May - Careers Week

26th May - School Breaks up for half term

Year Five



Year 5 really enjoyed watching the Young Shakespeare Company perform 'a Midsummer Night's Dream', as part of our 50 before year 7 program. All of the children took part in different ways and helped the actors to retell the story. A lot of fun was had by all!

This half term the children in year 5 will be learning about Space and space exploration. We will be investigating forces in science, the history of space travel and also learning about the sun, universe and different planets.



Special Provision

Last term the Provision learned about mini beasts. All classes enjoyed going on their own mini beast hunt and the children were excited to find spiders, worms and earwigs. We looked at would makes a good home for mini beasts and the children even made their own wormery. We made fact files about our favourite mini beasts learning exciting facts such as" Dragonflies can fly backwards. We spend time creating our own mini beast gardens during our creativity sessions.

This term our topic is Let's get growing. We are excited to be having sunflower contest across the Provision to see who can grow the tallest sunflower. We will be conducting experiments with root vegetable to identify the best growing conditions. We are learning about life cycles, and we have had caterpillars come to visit we will be keeping you all updated with their transformation into butterflies

Year Two

During Spring term, Year 2 took a virtual trip to Ghana. We looked at the landmarks, animals and human and physical features of the city. We all gathered together as a Year group and took a virtual flight to Accra, captained by pilot O'Brien. It was lots of fun!

This term, we will be exploring The Victorians and comparing the lives of school children then and now and learning about Queen Victoria. We will also be developing our sewing skills in D+T when we make puppets and will also be extending and exploring our knowledge of plants in science.



Reception

In Reception we had a busy time before Easter! We talked a lot about the changing weather and looked at seasonal changes around us, including keeping a careful watch on the trees around school. We learnt about life cycles and, the most exciting part of the term, we went on our trip! We all climbed onto coaches and went to West Lodge Farm Park for the day where we got to feed the lambs, see all sorts of different animals and watch the sheep race before we headed back to school.

This term we are still thinking about life cycles and will be observing our caterpillars changing later in the term. We will be talking about people in the past and the future as we celebrate the Coronation of our new King, and we are loving learning a new song for this special occasion.



Year Three

Over the busy Spring term, Year 3 had many exciting opportunities. We looked at a variety of music from around the world in music and created wonderful pieces of artwork on fabric using painting and sewing skills. Some pupils had the opportunity to visit Beaumanor where they took part in activities including bridge building, wall climbing, archery and obstacle courses. We were fortunate to have a Year 3 parent who is a hydraulic engineer who came in to talk to the children about his job - it was very inspiring and was linked to our topic of Engineers and Inventors.

During the summer term we will be learning about where our food comes from through a 'farm to fork' project. We will be learning about different settlements and agriculture through history. In Design and Technology, we are looking forward to creating our own picnics and linking this to the Coronation of King Charles.

Year Six

Last term saw our year 6's take on their mock SATs in preparation for the real thing in the summer term. They performed amazingly well and took great pride in their results. We also had a visit from Atomic Tom, who taught us all about DNA. In this session, we carried out an investigation using mashed up bananas!

This next term will be very busy for our year 6's, as they take on their SATs test to showcase their learning progress during their time at Beanfield. There will also be plenty of exciting events, such as our visit to Fitzwilliam College (more information will be shared soon!) as well as our end of year 6 events to see off this fantastic cohort.



Nursery

The Nursery children loved watching as our eggs cracked and little chicks hatched. It was amazing moment for each child as they held the chicks. The adults were impressed with the amount of new language learnt through this activity too.

This term we will be learning about seeds and plants. This will include looking at non fiction books about plants, hearing stories linked to growth, growing seeds, looking after plants and using our five senses with explore herbs.



Year One

We went on this trip as part of our science topic 'Animals and their habitats.' It was a very successful day where we were able to see how various animals lived and what they ate.

Last term we also had a visit from the Deputy Mayor of Corby. She visited as part of our History topic where we learnt about our community.

This term we will be having visit from Corby library on the 16.5.2023 who will talk about what they do as a library and how the children could get involved. We will also be learning about monarchy, which is perfectly timed with King Charles' coronation!

Year Four

What a busy half-term! The time has flown by and the children have enjoyed playing sports outside. They thoroughly enjoyed our North America topic learning all about the impressive landmarks; researching North American culture and writing a non-chronological report about their findings -they especially enjoyed the launch day of our simulated flight to New York!

In the next half term we are looking forward to expanding our design technology skills when creating useful items (bags, pencil cases, cushion covers) from recycled materials. We will also continue to develop and practice times tables with the children - anything you can do to support this at home would be greatly appreciated!

