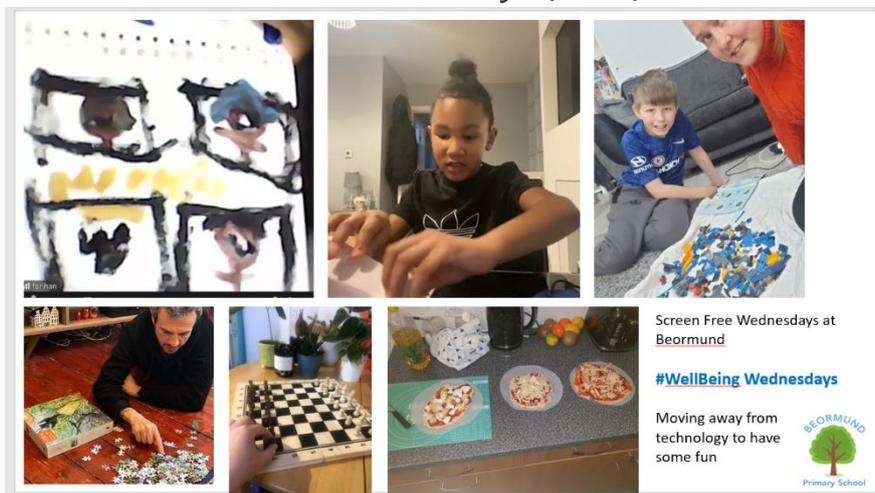


Beormund Primary School Newsletter

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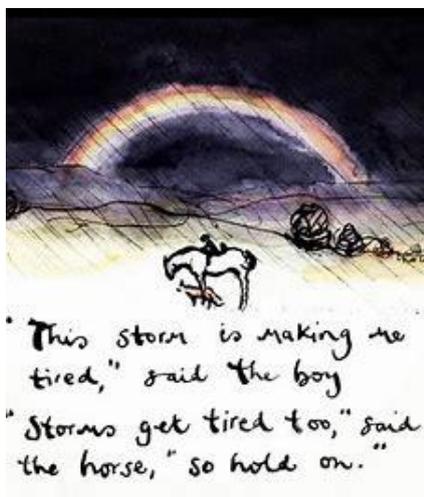
"Working in partnership to inspire learning, empower individuals and enrich the community of the future"



Our school values are: *Empathy, Honesty, Integrity, Perseverance* and *Resilience*. They are also the names of our five class teams.

Mental Health matters

We write to you at the end of another eventful, unpredictable and challenging half term. Lockdown 3 has been intense and there is no family that has not been affected in some way by this pandemic. Collectively we are all making sense of the virus and the impact it has on our daily lives. It means that our emotions change by the day, by the hour and (thankfully) more and more people are starting conversations and openly discussing mental health. I know that many have appreciated our wellbeing calls and we have had some really successful and proactive virtual meetings with social care, health professionals and other agencies to support you and your families this term. Our personalised approach to our children and their families has been magnified this term. And it's lovely to note when parents and carers recognise the hard work from our school team. Thank you.



So next week is the February half term break. Please use this family time to relax, have fun together, giggle and chill. If the weather is dry, here's hoping that you can find time to go on walks and find evidence of Spring. Alternatively, we know every home has an art pack from the children's Christmas gifts. Colouring is a great mindfulness, bonding activity – some of you may have the confidence to be even more creative. We have links to some art ideas a little later in this newsletter.

Here's hoping that you enjoy the break and we look forward to welcoming children back (online or onsite) on **Monday 22nd February 2021.**

Recognising all



We acknowledge the huge demands on us all during this term and want to recognise and praise everyone's hard work: Our school staff have provided a fantastic onsite provision alongside a fun and engaging Remote Learning timetable. I know that you have appreciated the quality of face-to-face online learning sessions. You have been amazing too, tirelessly supporting your children with their home learning. We recognise that our Remote Learning week in particular, was a brilliant success. Thank you to our efficient admin team who have been liaising, communicating and organising us. The Premises Team and cleaners for the regular deep cleans in order to keep our school community safe and our kitchen staff who have provided hearty, warm meals. Our valued therapy team have been regularly addressing themes of trauma, loss, anxiety and rejection – they have been an essential support network for our vulnerable children. Staff have delivered learning packs, devices, food parcels, advice, support and smiles. This has been a tremendous team effort in such challenging times. Well done, thank you, high five to all – we have collectively achieved so much together.

Children's Mental Health week - Theme: Express Yourself

Last week was Children's Mental Health Week. Here at Beormund, the children engaged in various projects under the 'Express Yourself' theme.

Each class engaged in PSHE discussions about their likes/dislikes or favourite/challenging topics to help them think about and express who they are as individuals.



In addition, pupils were given an opportunity to fashion a creative project to show what they enjoy and what makes them happy, through mediums such as artwork, sculpture, photography, music, dance or story writing/poetry.

The children revelled in these tasks and created some amazing artwork, music, animations and videos, which we were able to share with the whole school.

Written by Mr Ziriati. PSHE Lead at Beormund

Creative Ideas:



The Place2Be website is home to a huge resource of practical ideas, art projects and creative tasks. Why not take a look for some ideas and inspiration to do during next week's half term holidays:

[Superhero Project- Main Pack \(place2be.org.uk\)](https://place2be.org.uk)

[Art Room Black History Month Project \(place2be.org.uk\)](https://place2be.org.uk)

[FINAL Calm Project- Main Pack \(place2be.org.uk\)](https://place2be.org.uk)

National Storytelling Week



Last week, we celebrated National Storytelling Week at Beormund. We spent time, immersing ourselves in lots of fun and exciting storytelling activities that children both onsite and offsite could participate in.

Each day began with a story being read to all the children during our whole school assembly. In our class teams, we visited the library for storytelling sessions and also made wonderful storytelling posters. One class team used their teachers Literacy Box to create their own short

story from all the random objects. Well done to everyone at Beormund, for a great week and remember, 'you can find magic wherever you look, sit back and relax, all you need is a book'.

Written by Miss DaCosta. English Lead at Beormund.



Remote Learning at Beormund Primary School

At Beormund we have kept our school doors open throughout the pandemic. Each week we have, on average, up to 55% of our children learning onsite. The remainder of the children are regularly logging in and learning online.

On Monday 18th January we had a Remote Learning week. We closed the school for seven school days and the entire school team – staff, children and our therapists – worked from home. It was productive time of learning where, in the first five days, we delivered 76 learning sessions. We had 68% attendance to live lessons - 82% of our children engaged with online learning. And children completed 1096mins (that's over 18hours) of personalised online Maths learning. Amazing statistics which we should all celebrate.



Every child also has their own Google classroom log in. This is where teachers will upload recorded lessons and set tasks for your children to submit. It is a platform where staff will set activities and interact with the children.

At the moment face-to-face sessions primarily take place on Zoom – some on Google Classrooms - and our teachers deliver taught, live lessons each day. Class teams have also highlighted specific sessions throughout the day to enable your child to log on, learn, meet friends, feel included and socialise. Families should have received links for Snack 'n' Chat in the mornings (9:40am), Reading for Pleasure in the afternoons (2pm) and for Assembly at the end of specific days.

If you find setting up virtual learning a little daunting (some of our staff do too) you can either click straight on the link which will load the Zoom session OR add in the meeting number and password:

Whole School Virtual Assemblies are at 2:50pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

Meeting ID: 841 1621 6979

Passcode: Assembly

For any questions around Remote Learning, Google Classroom access, RM Maths or Bug Club, please contact your child's teacher and support staff team using your child's class email address:

Ms Holmes	Year 6	empathyclass@beormund.southwark.sch.uk
Mr Ziriati	Year 6	honestyclass@beormund.southwark.sch.uk
Mr Velagapudi	Year 4&5	integrityclass@beormund.southwark.sch.uk
Miss Taviner	Year 4&5	resilienceclass@beormund.southwark.sch.uk
Miss DaCosta	Years 2&3	perseveranceclass@beormund.southwark.sch.uk



Personalised Online Learning

Since the beginning of this year the children have been encouraged to regularly log onto their [RM Easimaths](#) session. We have always known at Beormund that RM Maths is a fantastic, fun and personalised learning platform for our children to enjoy maths and continually learn.



If children log on and complete just 10-15mins per day at home they would continue to make progress in this subject area – beyond their maths lessons with their teachers.

Each week we publish the [RM Maths Leaderboard](#) on our school website. Has your child made the top ten this week?



At a time when many of our children are home learning, it isn't always possible to send home new books. At Beormund Primary school we subscribe to Bug Club: [ActiveLearn: Login \(activelearnprimary.co.uk\)](#)

Teachers allocate new books for your child to read and in every book, children can click on the bugs to answer questions about the text. There are virtual prizes to be won and games to play to keep them entertained after reading books. The Phonics tasks are fun too. It's a great, interactive way for your child to develop their readings skills. Staff can mark and level work and respond to your children's answers. We also have a Bug Club Leaderboard which can be found on our website: [Beormund Primary School \(beormundschoo.co.uk\)](#)

NOTE: If your child asks for screen time in the evenings, you can agree a set amount of time AFTER they have completed their RM Maths and/or their Bug Club each day.

Safer Internet Day - Tuesday 9th February 2021



For Safer Internet Day 2021, on Tuesday 9th February, pupils created and discussed guidelines of how to stay safe on-line and designed red leaves to decorate our PSHE Tree at the front of school, which continues to blossom with new ideas and sage advice throughout the year.

Written by Mr Ziriati, PSHE Lead at Beormund

Important date for your diary:



Friday 5th March 2021 will be PLP day at Beormund.

As all our children have special needs, every child will have Personalised Learning Plans (PLPs) for Reading, Writing and Maths. School will be closed for the day, the meetings will be held virtually and teachers will take the time to talk through and discuss your child's academic and behaviour targets. A letter will be sent out explaining more and the information you need to book your slot.

Click here to access the school calendar on the website: <https://beormundschoo.co.uk/calendar>

Achievement at Beormund.

Every Monday children are nominated by their class teams for a Headteacher's Award. This might be related to their effort and perseverance shown to a task, how they participated in a lesson or how they interacted with others. It might also be for the personal qualities a child displays like thoughtfulness, honesty, integrity and leadership. The children who were recognised in January are:



Headteacher's Assembly

Monday 11th January
Week Fifteen

Dylan for showing great independence via remote learning and persevering with challenges.

Cowan for a great start to the term. Settling down to work straight away in Basics.

William for supporting his friends and giving them good advice.

Jayden for his perseverance with all learning and curiosity

Mordecai for beginning to settle into a new routine



Congratulations - a text has been sent home too



Headteacher's Assembly

Monday 18th January
Week Sixteen

Adijah for excellent contributions to our class discussions and calm, clear communication.

Cowan for persevering and exercising self control.

Hayden for having a positive first week at Beormund

Zackai for excellent participation & work completed after his home learning. Science lesson. Well done!

Cavalli for engaging with his home learning tasks



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Headteacher's Assembly

Monday 25th January
Week Seventeen

Stephen for being committed to Remote Learning and showing great enthusiasm for all the different lessons available.

Cowan for logging on daily and engaging in remote learning

Jayden for his effort, curiosity, prompt attendance and engagement in all online learning sessions

Raineemae for working hard at home, learning lots and engaging really well over Zoom

Mordecai for trying his best to engage in his online learning



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Headteacher's Assembly

Monday 1st February
Week Eighteen

Aidan for better engagement

William for reading independently for the first time

Kayde for his fantastic effort and accuracy with his Maths and spellings

Cavalli for having a positive change in his behaviour.



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Coronavirus Response

Please also click on the link to find the council's webpage and support available for all parents and carers in our community: <https://www.southwark.gov.uk/health-and-wellbeing/public-health/for-the-public/coronavirus/resources-for-parents-and-carers>



Thanks for reading

We hope that this new mobile format makes it easier for you to read if you are using your phone. Please contact the school office if you would like a paper copy of our monthly newsletter(s) sent home in your child's Book Bag.

All policies, including our Safeguarding and Behaviour policies, can be found on the school website. Paper copies of all our policies are available to our families upon request. Please email the school office (office@beormund.southwark.sch.uk) or call on 0207 525 9027 and all relevant documents will be printed and sent to you.