

Beaver Road News

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Rosh Hashanah to all our Jewish families and friends!

Eid Mubarak to all our Muslim families and friends!

(See School website for our greetings)

Spanish Day

Thank you to everybody who contributed to the success of Spanish Day. The School was a sea of red and yellow and Spanish themed clothing. Throughout the day children across the School had opportunities to learn more about Spain – language, music, dance, food, and for the teaching staff after school in La Tasca and Casa Tapas, a drink!

Friday's event was designed to raise the profile of Spanish across the School and engage everyone's interest in learning the language.

Formal teaching of Spanish begins in our School with weekly lessons for all children in Years 3,4,5 and 6.

We have fluent Spanish speakers amongst the staff and all teachers are challenged to make an effort to learn the language by July 2009.

Class photos - Wednesday

The School Photographer will be on site during the whole of Wednesday to take class photographs.

These will be on sale to you very shortly.

Individual and family group photos are taken at a later date in the school year.

Change of date - important

We have been informed that the School will be used as a polling station for the European elections on Thursday 4 June.

School will be closed on this date for children.

Staff will have a day of professional training.

So that our children do not miss out on days of schooling the planned In-Service Training Day (INSET) for Friday 1 May has been cancelled and children will now attend School on that day

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Requests for children's absence

Forms for requesting absence for children during term time can be downloaded from our website.

Family holidays, celebrations etc are in my opinion very important to children. No government has yet tackled the issue of travel firms and airlines fixing special high tariffs for their services during school holidays.

If the cost of a holiday varies by so much between one date and another to the point where a family cannot afford it, I sympathise with those parents and carers who ask for permission for their children to be out of school.

Some of our children have families in far away countries and may request longer periods of absence.

Schools are coming under pressure not to allow requests except in very special circumstances.

However, I prefer to trust the judgement of our parents and carers.

Friends of Beaver Road – A walk in the park

Sunday 12 October. Meet at next to tennis courts inside Fletcher Moss park gates on Wilmslow Road at 2.30 pm. Everybody, children, babies and all welcome. This is not a fundraising event – just an informal social gathering to meet friends old and new.

Curriculum information

We have listened to parents and carers about the kind of information they would like from School.

Much improved and more informative information about what your child is doing at School this term are available on the school website (click on Curriculum).

Hard copies can be obtained on request from the School Office.

Nits,nits,nits ...

As soon as you begin reading this section you are almost guaranteed to start itching and scratching!

From time to time we do get an outbreak of headlice in our School.

We have produced what we think is a very useful guide for you.

Click on **Information** on the school website www.beaverroad.org.uk and then go to the link.