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# BEAVER ROAD M20

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Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have enjoyed a very positive start to the summer term this week. The energy around school has been tangible and we have a whole lot more to look forward to this term too! We continue to make every effort to ensure our school community is as safe from covid-19 as possible. Please support us as we continue to adhere to the health and safety measures that were in place last term, especially at the beginning and end of each day.



Year 4 Roman Invasion of Britain - see the full video  
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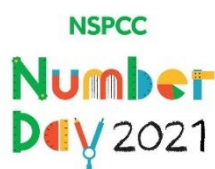
## Diary dates and events

All class year group information and details of events continue to be sent to you through your child's year group staff team. These are also made available on our website and school app.

Please see below a few whole school dates and events for the rest of this half term. The dates for the school year are also available on our school website and school spider app. These are updated regularly each half term, so please do continue to check our website and app for updates.

Whole school event dates this half term include....

- Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> April – Earth Day at school. Wear something green and donate to our Eco-School development.
- Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May – Bank Holiday



- Friday 7<sup>th</sup> May – NSPCC Number Day. Wear an item of clothing with a number on it or get even more creative by dressing in a Maths or simple numbers theme! Please donate to the NSPCC via our JustGiving page  
<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/beaverroadmaths>

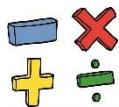
- Monday 17<sup>th</sup> May – Walk to School Week
- Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May - School Closes at the end of the day for the half term holidays



## Eco-School Developments

Our Student Eco Committee is proud to announce its new name: THE WORLD WARRIORS. The student reps have been very busy behind the scenes, working hard to support our school in moving towards our green flag award. They have participated in a whole school assembly to inform everyone about Eco School and have assisted

their classes in completing our Environmental Review. We had our second Eco Committee meeting on Thursday 22nd April, where we analysed this review and developed our Eco Action Plan. We can't wait to share that with you. On Thursday 29th April, we will be recognising 'Earth Day'. We are encouraging everyone to wear something green and to bring a small donation to help buy resources to support our action plan. We would like to thank everyone for your ongoing support, and look forward to the next exciting steps on our eco journey.

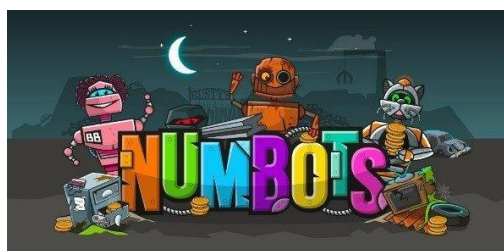


### Mathematics at Beaver Road

You will have received a letter informing you about our latest event **NSPCC Number Day 2021** which is taking place on **Friday 7th May**. We will be offering a plethora of activities to fire the children's interest in Mathematics, whilst raising money for a worthy cause! You will be able to sponsor your child to take part in all these activities.

NSPCC

In order that you can support your young mathematicians at home, you will now have full access to a login for a range of engaging digital learning platforms such as Mangahigh, Numbots and Times Tables Rock Stars! These can enhance the fabulous learning, which is taking place in the classroom.



And finally, celebrating the news of the release of series 3 of Cbeebies *Numberblocks*, Years 4,5 and 6 will be creating colourful character costumes for our younger children to encourage them to role-play episodes - exciting!



### Thank you to our PTA

Thanks to your generous donations towards our PTA events, we are delighted that we can go ahead with the next phase of development in our KS1 playground this term. The work to build



the adventure castle will begin at the First School on the 17<sup>th</sup> May. The PTA have also contributed to purchasing additional reading resources across the school and next half term you will hear more about developments we hope to make in the woodland area at the Junior School.

We are still in need of a new parent chair (or co-chairs) to lead our PTA. If you are interested, please contact Sam and Kate at [beaverroadfundraisers@outlook.com](mailto:beaverroadfundraisers@outlook.com) or get in touch with our school office.

### Parent governor election

Unfortunately, we were unable to go ahead with the parent governor election on School Spider and due to the national lockdown in January, it was not possible to hold the necessary paper ballot. However, we are now in a position for this election to go ahead. You will soon receive details of the four parents who have been nominated for the governor position. The election will take place using a paper ballot, so please do look out for details and papers being sent home soon.





## Extra-curricular activities

We are delighted to be able to restart our outdoor after school activities this term. This has started with multi-sports and a separate letter was sent home earlier this week with the details. Many of you have asked about music tuition and other clubs restarting. However, until lockdown restrictions are eased further, we are not able to restart these safely at this time. We hope these can restart after our May half term break following further national easing of lockdown measures and updated guidance from the DFE for activities in school.

## Lunchtimes



We are so pleased that we can consider reopening our dining rooms again for the children. From Monday 26<sup>th</sup> April, we have been able to adapt the lunchtime organisation at the Junior School to accommodate one year group at a time in the large dining hall. From Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May, we will be able to open the dining room at the First School for Years 1, 2 & 3. Again, this will be one year group at a time. For our Early Years children, we are looking to utilise a different space in school and are purchasing new tables and benches to accommodate them. We will let you know when this can start.

## School to school support

As a National Leader of Education and as a National Support School, for many years the school staff team and myself have led and worked collaboratively with other schools to successfully improve standards of education for children across our region in a range of capacities. This always brings benefits to our own school community as we remain at the forefront of educational excellence, innovation and practice.



In addition to this work, I have recently been asked to provide support as Executive Headteacher, initially on an interim basis for the Summer Term, to Martenscroft Nursery School and Children's Centre. This role is fully supported by our Trust Board and Governing Body and will be combined with my current role at Beaver Road. It will also involve some support from other staff within our school team. Please be assured that the strength of leadership at our school will not be diminished and plans are in place to enable the necessary capacity of the additional role and responsibilities.

As always, if you have any further questions or queries about anything, please do not hesitate to contact us via the school office.

Best wishes,

Mrs Liz Hardy  
Executive Headteacher



### Article 6: Every child has the right to life.

Governments must do all they can to ensure children survive and develop to their full potential.

### Article 24: Every child has the right to the best possible health.

Governments must provide good quality health care, clean water, nutritious food, and a clean environment and education on health and wellbeing so that children can stay healthy. Richer countries must help poorer countries achieve this.

