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Holiday Activities and Curriculum Update

As we draw to the end of the Summer Term and prepare for the summer holidays, we'd like to share some curriculum updates with you and explain some of the activities your children might enjoy getting involved with over the next 6 weeks.

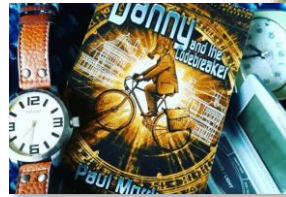
Firstly, Beaver Road has commissioned the author, Paul Morris, to make a video for the children of Beaver Road. Paul has written several books including *Danny and the Code Breaker*. He also ran a workshop in our school last year and was definite hit with the children at the Junior School.

His engaging and thought provoking video can be viewed by clicking the following link.

[Author Workshop](#)

The theme of his workshop is **identity**.

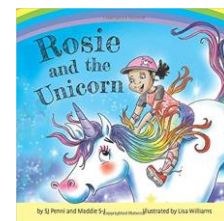
The video contains just over thirty minutes of workshop content, then a bonus content 'World Premier' reading of an action scene from his new book, *The Paradise Machine*.



In the main workshop, he finishes by setting the children the task of writing a piece to be entitled 'THIS IS ME', where the children are to declare their own detailed identity using guidance they've had in the video. He later stops reading his new book at a cliffhanging moment and suggests the children might like to write an ending for the scene. Children can still share these pieces of writing on Seesaw as we will not be updating our Seesaw accounts to our new classes until September. You could also bring what you have written into school with you to share with your new teacher, which we will then pass onto Paul to read. He will be awarding a prize of a signed copy of one of his books for the most impressive writing. We look forward to reading your ideas.



On the subject of authors...you may recognise this one. SJ Penni has written [Rosie and the Unicorn](#) with the help of her daughter Maddie, aged 6, who attends Beaver Road. You can buy it on Amazon for £7.99 and all profit sales go to the following charities, NHS, Young Minds and Royal Manchester Children's Hospital



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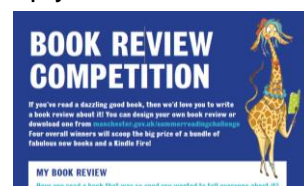
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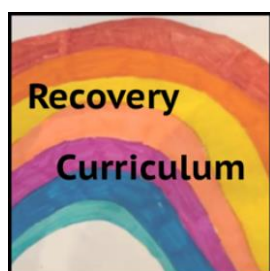


Save the Date



As we know we will not be able to run our usual 'Learning at Home' event in the Autumn Term due to COVID-19 Health & Safety procedures, we have decided to provide parents and carers with information about their child's year group curriculum and the ways you can support their learning at home virtually. We will be holding two Zoom year group inductions on Wednesday 16th September @3.45PM and again @ 4.30PM. We will also be recording these sessions and they will be made available on the year group class pages. However, if you can attend in person, please do, as we will have the chat option open for you to ask any questions of the Year group team about the Curriculum.

Curriculum planning



Due to the extended period of time our children have had away from school, the staff at Beaver Road are in the process of adapting our curriculum provision to ensure we are ready and able to provide the best learning and support possible in September. On Wednesday, the staff attended a twilight training session about 'The Recovery Curriculum: Loss and Life for our children and schools post pandemic'. The Recovery Curriculum is a systematic, relationships-based approach to reigniting the flame of learning in each child.' Beaver Road already provides a curriculum which develops the whole child, and the recovery curriculum will help us to make the most of what we already do.

Ready and Waiting

Mrs Noden has wrapped and labelled these lovely new books for you to enjoy in your new classrooms when you return in September. Thanks to our reading competition winners and the generosity of the PTA we have lots of exciting new titles for you to get stuck into.



In the meantime, have a wonderful summer holiday. Stay safe and we look forward to seeing you all in the New Academic Year!

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