



Bean News



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Open Day

Our Open Day for the September 2017 intake is on **Thursday 20th October** at **9.30am**. Please contact the school office if you are interested in booking a place.

Key Dates (more details to follow for each)



20th October—Open Day for Sept'17 intake
1st November—Year 5 Orchard trip
29th November—Year 3 to The British Museum
6th December—Year 5 Choral Project
6 & 7th December—KS1 Christmas Performance
11th December—Carol Service
16th December—Christmas Fayre
20th December—Christmas Dinner
21st December—Christmas Celebration at Church (TBC)
3rd January—Staff Training Day

Parking

It has been pleasing to see fewer parents parking on the yellow zig-zag lines outside of the school during drop off and collection times. Please continue to avoid this area as a drop off zone. Being held up for five minutes is a small price to pay compared with endangering small children.



Harvest Festival

We were overwhelmed with the number of donations received recently for our Harvest Festival! I am sure you will agree that all of our donations will be going to a worthwhile cause—Hive Hope. Hive Hope is a local foodbank that provides for those in our community. Our House Captains assisted in distributing the food at the centre.



Online Payments & Parents' Evening Bookings

We are really pleased with how many of you are using our online payment and parents evening booking system. Please be aware that there is no charge to book an appointment for parents' evening, a 50p transaction charge only applies when making a payment for a school trip, for example. There have been a few parents who have had trouble creating their account. The website is: www.scopay.com/beanpri-kent. If you do have any problems, please contact the office.



Multi-Use Games Area

Work is progressing well on our new Multi-Use Games Area, being built on the field. Providing that we don't have a drastic change in weather, work is expected to be finished during the October half term.



Choral Project

Year 5 will be taking part in the Dartford Choral project again this year. The Choral Project concert will be at Longfield Academy and involves the children performing and singing with a number of other schools. This is a perfect opportunity to help children build their confidence and enjoy the experience! The Choral Project will take place on 6th December. More details will follow.

Art Project



Year 3 are representing Bean School in the Dartford Arts Mark Town Project which involves a masterclass from professional visual artists where they explore different design techniques and creative processes. Year 3 will have the opportunity to develop designs to re-energise and beautify Dartford's bin lorries! Three of the bin lorry designs will be selected from all the schools in Dartford and the three artists will then develop their artwork further with professional artists before it is produced as full size artwork on three of Dartford's Bin Lorries. Selected artwork will also be chosen to appear in the town centre exhibition for viewing by friends, family and the local community.

Tennis Day



On Thursday 13th October, Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 enjoyed a Tennis Workshop from Oakwood Tennis Club. They took part in Tennis workshops where they learnt how to play Tennis and enjoyed playing a number of different games and Tennis activities.

Football



Congratulations to our Boys' and Girls' football teams, who both came second at the Dartford District Football Festival at Princes Park last week. Both Boys and Girls got into the final but in true British style, we unfortunately lost on penalties!

Congratulations to our Boys who played in their first league game against Stone St Mary's last week; Bean School won 6-3!

Best of luck to our Girls who will be playing their first league game this week against Stone St Mary's.

Reminders to Parents



If you need to make an appointment to see a teacher or a member of staff then please make sure you do so out of school hours. This is to prevent teachers being interrupted during lesson times and the staff can then address your problems thoroughly.

Reminder to KS1 parents, when picking up your children from the playground, please stand within the perimeter fence, so children don't have to weave through the crowd. Thank you.

Congratulations



Congratulations to Kye, Sophie and Georgia from Year 6 who have been selected to play in the Dartford District Football. We look forward to hearing about your successes!

More information will inevitably follow, but if you have any queries, please speak to a member of staff and we shall be glad to help.

Mr Reilly