



# Bean News



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## Official MUGA Opening & Special Guest!



The Official Opening of the MUGA will be on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2017. (Parents Welcome)

Our celebrity guest is now being predicted by many of our children. The clues are currently: a sportsperson, the sport is football, they have at least 50 caps for England and *He has played for West Ham* (latest clue). Just some of the suggestions are: Wayne Rooney, David Beckham, Harry Kane and Adam Lallana.

## Bird Box Project

Our Bird Box cams are now up and running and can be viewed from the school website under the tab 'Bird Box Project'. The boxes are situated in the pond area so do look out for potential nesting birds.



## Hatching Chicks



Our chicken eggs have arrived and we are now the proud parents of ten tiny chicks. It is causing a great deal of interest amongst the children and staff alike. View the 'Chicken Cam' by typing 10.74.8.32 into your browser bar. The username is: teachers and the password is: chickens. Happy watching! If you would like to rehome a chick(s), please contact the office.

## Reading Challenge

Please encourage children to complete the reading challenge and complete homework over the Easter Holidays.

## Zig Zag Lines and Parking



More than 1,000 children a month are being injured on local roads around British schools - please park considerately! Late is better than unsafe. Please also be mindful of parking across residents driveways/pathways.

## Finer Weather



With the weather improving, we are looking forward to getting out on the field again. A new initiative for this year during lunchtime will be to encourage children to either run or walk a mile as often as they can in a week.

## Literacy Open Morning



It was encouraging to see so many parents, and the occasional grandparent, at the Literacy Open Morning recently. The focus was on reading and how to best support your child. The presentation notes and parent feedback can be found in reception.

### Goodbye

We will be saying goodbye to Mrs Blow this term, our PPA Cover and Music Teacher. We would like to wish her Good Luck for the future and thank her for all her hard work!

### Modifications to Gate and Reception

We are constantly reviewing and seeking to improve all aspects of school life and as a result of a site survey by Kent CC recently, and their recommendations, we are planning to add some additional security at the front gate and reception area of the school. Although improving security, we will still maintain a friendly and accessible service to parents and carers.

### Grammar Competition

Congratulations to those pupils that entered the Grammar Competition in February. With nine teams entered this year, the competition was fierce. Despite this, our two teams achieved second and third place with only one point between the first and second team.

### Sport Update

P.E and sports continue with high importance at Bean. This week children from Yr6 took part in a Handball Tournament together with 10 other local schools and performed very well. In Kent, more children are playing handball than any other county. This week alone, over 1400 children participated in Kent School Games Events. In April, children from Yr3 and 4 will take part in a Mini Tennis Red Event. We are looking forward to District Athletics in May, when over 25 children will be selected to represent our school. Girls and Boys continue to play league and friendly matches and we are thrilled to report that Bean Girls are still top of the Pink League! Mrs Bonner

### Collaborative Art

Over the next few days, Mr Connolly will hang the collaborative piece of art in the hall. This is a picture of the school's logo and has been produced by every child. The older pupils worked with the younger members in producing a canvas from each pair. To truly symbolise the importance of every member of our community, contributions were received from parents, teachers and governors. When put together, these make up the image as a whole. We are particularly grateful to Miss Eagle for organising this impressive project.



### Red Nose Day

Red Nose activities start the Week beginning 27th March. 100% of funds raised will be sent to this worthy cause.



#### Key Dates



24th March—FOB Mother's Day Gift Room  
30th March—Year 6 Class Assembly  
31st March—FOB Easter Egg Hunt  
18th April—Start of Term 5



#### Key Dates



27th April—Year 1 Class Assembly  
28th April—FOB KS1 & 2 Disco  
4th May—Year 4 Class Assembly  
**New Term Dates are on the website!**

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