



## Welcome To Our Termly Newsletter Spring 1 February 2025

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Welcome to Our Spring Term 1 Newsletter!  
We had a fantastic start to the term, and we're excited to share some of the highlights with you!

Children return to school  
**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February.**

## Sustainability Art

made by our Reception pupils



Our Reception pupils have been bringing in recyclable items from home and using them to create fantastic displays for our Sustainability Board.

Their creativity and enthusiasm are truly inspiring!  
We are proud of their efforts and the wonderful displays they've made. Great job, Reception!

# Key Dates for your Diary

<b>17th – 21<sup>st</sup> February</b>	<b>Half term - School Closed</b>
<b>Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Children Return To School</b>
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February	3 Honesty Swimming all week
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> February	5 Respect Assembly 9.15 am
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> February	1 Independence Assembly 9 am
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> February	Nurse drop in Forest site
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	5 Kindness Assembly 9.15 am
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	3 Independence Assembly 9 am
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	5 Responsibility Assembly 9.15 am
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 1 Trip V&A Museum (Honesty/Independence)
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	2 Responsibility Assembly 9am
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	3 Independence Swimming all week
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	4 Kindness Assembly 9.15 am
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 1 Trip V&A Museum (Confidence/Respect)
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	3 Kindness assembly 9 am
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Shelter Workshop
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Comic Relief
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Nurse drop in Bridge site
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	3 Responsibility Swimming all week
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 1 Trip V&A Museum (Responsibility/Kindness)
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	3 Respect Swimming all week
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	4 Honesty/Responsibility Trip Science Museum
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Autism Acceptance Coffee Morning (Bridge and Forest)
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Year 4 Science Museum Trip ( Respect/Honesty/Responsibility)
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Year 4 Science Museum Trip ( Kindness/Independence/Confidence)
<b>Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>Last Day Before Spring Holiday</b>
<b>7th – 21<sup>st</sup> April</b>	<b>Spring Holiday - School Closed</b>
<b>Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April</b>	<b>Children Return To School</b>
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	4 Responsibility Assembly 9.15 am
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> April	1 Responsibility Assembly 9 am
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> April	Nurse drop in Forest site
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> April	Class Photo (Forest Site)
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> April	Class Photo (Bridge Site)
Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> April	5 Confidence Assembly 9.15 am
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	3 Honesty Assembly 9 am
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	May Day Bank Holiday
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> May	4 Respect Assembly 9.15 am
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	2 Honesty Assembly 9 am
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	Nurse Drop in Bridge
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	3 Confidence Swimming all week
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	4 Independence Assembly 9.15 am
<b>Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May</b>	<b>Last Day Before Half Term</b>
<b>26th – 30<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Half term - School Closed</b>
<b>Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June</b>	<b>Children Return To School</b>
W/C 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Parents Meetings
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Nurse Drop in Forest site
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Nurse Drop in Bridge site
<b>Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July</b>	<b>Last Day Before Summer Holiday</b>
<b>Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July</b>	<b>Summer Holiday - School Closed</b>

# Parent Information

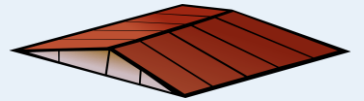
## Parent Reminder:



### Morning Lateness at Forest Site

To minimise disruptions to our phonics groups, children arriving after **9:00 AM** will need to wait **15 minutes** before joining their class. Please ensure your child arrives on time to avoid this delay. Thank you for your cooperation!

## Year 1 Roof works



We would like to inform you that roof works for Year 1 will be taking place during the half term and will finish within four weeks. Please be aware that there will be scaffolding up during this period. Please be assured all necessary safety measures will be in place to ensure the well-being of our students. The work areas will be securely cordoned off, and there will be no disruption to the children's daily activities. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation during this time.

## Toys Brought into School

We kindly request that parents refrain from sending toys with their children to school, especially if they attend the teatime club.

Toys can easily get lost or mixed up with those at the club, which can cause confusion and upset for the children.

## Class Assembly Updates

Please note that there have been some changes to the class assembly schedule. For details about your child's assembly, please refer to the parent communication email and the Key Dates section in the newsletter.

# Class Assemblies

Our classes have been preparing wonderful assemblies that showcase the topics they are currently studying. These assemblies are performed in front of parents, providing a fantastic opportunity for students to demonstrate their learning and creativity. Here are some highlights from 5 Independence's assembly.



# Individual Achievement

Evan, in Year 4, had the chance to meet King Charles on the last day of term before Christmas. He was singing with the Waltham Forest Music Service's "Choir of Joy" at the Town Hall when King Charles visited. After listening to the choir, the King came over to speak with them and even made a joke about teachers!



# 100 Days of Reception

Our Reception children celebrated 100 days of Reception by dressing up in creative costumes, The teachers joined in the excitement too, It was a joyful celebration filled with fun and learning.





# Year 5 Trip Tower of London



This week, our Year 5 students embarked on an exciting trip to the historic Tower of London. During their visit, they had the opportunity to explore a variety of fascinating sights, including the majestic Crown Jewels, the ancient White Tower, and the infamous Traitors' Gate. They also learned about the Tower's rich history and its role as a royal palace, prison, and fortress. It was an educational and memorable experience for all!



**We know it can be tricky to get children to eat their vegetables, but we also know that getting more greens in at mealtimes can lead to a healthier and happier family life.**

We run Beezee Families, a FREE healthy lifestyle programme that helps families across Waltham Forest discover the power of small changes together.

Our Beezee Families programme began the week commencing 20<sup>th</sup> January. Sign-ups are still open, so there is still time to join. Spots are available in-person and online! Alternatively, families can start their journey now with our Beezee Academy. [Visit our website for more details.](#)

## Looking for a recipe that can get your children to eat more vegetables?

At Beezee Families, we work with hundreds of families who want to eat healthier, but struggle to find dishes with vegetables their children will eat. Sounds familiar?

Check out our Mexican traybake below for a taste of our recipe selection!



### Ingredients:

- 1 large red onion
  - 3 cloves of garlic (2 tsp pre-minced)
  - 1 can sweetcorn
  - 1 can black beans (drained and rinsed)
  - 1 can chopped tomatoes
  - 320g frozen spinach
  - 100g uncooked red lentils
  - 250g brown rice
  - 600ml veggie stock
  - 120g low-fat cheddar/mozzarella
- Spices: 2 tsp paprika, 1.5 tsp cumin, 1.5 tsp coriander, 1 tsp oregano, ½ tsp chili powder (or none if you don't like spice).

### Method:

1. Pre-heat your oven to 200 degrees/ gas mark 6.
2. Dice the onions and garlic (if using fresh) and add them to a large baking tray or dish.
3. Add your brown rice and lentils, along with the spinach, corn and chopped tomatoes.
4. Add all your spices to the tray. Make the stock, then pour slowly into the tray and mix everything together.
5. Pop into the oven for 45 minutes. Take the tray out, add beans and mix well, then top with grated cheese. Return to oven for 10 minutes.
6. Leave to cool for 5 minutes and then enjoy!



### Want more help with recipes?

We run FREE healthy lifestyle programmes to help families like yours make healthy habits, and have fun while doing so! Secure your spot today.

Our courses are for families with children aged 5+ and above their ideal weight.

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- \* fun communication and language sessions
- \* ideas to encourage your family to connect with nature
- \* sessions with Professor Sam Wass and the author Michael Rosen

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