



Dear Parents/Carers,

I know I started the last reading newsletter the same, shocked at how time is flying, but I genuinely cannot believe I am writing the **SPRING** newsletter! How have we only got 4 weeks left of the spring term before we enter your child's last term (last ever term for our Year 6 children!) at school before they finish for summer?!



It is safe to say that we have not had the start to 2021 that we all hoped and prayed for however, I am sure you will agree when I say that the children of Beaumont are the most resilient, hard-working and enthusiastic bunch! They have adapted to new routines and showcased absolutely **FABULOUS** work whilst learning at home/learning in their key worker groups, and even though this newsletter is going to be about learning back in school, I just had to acknowledge the amazing work that has happened from December to March. I have seen so many tweets (from very proud class teachers) of brilliant learning in every subject, but I have been particularly blown away by the amount of reading and writing that has happened this term. The presentation of work has been awesome, handwriting superb and the quality....**AMAZING!**

Reception have had a visit from **Burglar Bill** and **Mog the Cat**, Year One have been writing their own versions of the story of **Rapunzel**, Year Two have enjoyed reading **Mrs Armitage on Wheels** and Year Three have not only worked extremely hard to work their way up the Reading Plus leaderboard, but they have also been re-telling the story of **The Enormous Turnip!** Year Four have been using storyboards to help them re-tell the story of the classic **The Wind in the Willows** and Year Five have been **LOVING** their class text **The Thieves of Ostia!** Can you believe they have even had several tweets back from their class author Caroline Lawrence?! Last but not least, Year 6 have been reading their class text **Beasts of Olympus**, linked to their Ancient Greece topic, **AND** they have been really enjoying **Pig Heart Boy** by Malorie Blackman which links to their current science topic. As you can tell, there has been so much reading happening and this makes me extremely happy!

Bug Club and Reading Plus...where do I start? I have kept a close eye on our online learning platforms and I have been so impressed with the high level of engagement from Reception to Year 6. I hope, as parents, you have found these resources useful when trying to encourage your child to read/keep their love for reading high too. Both platforms provide such a wide range of texts which I feel have been invaluable for our children, as they have become their online libraries whilst book shops and libraries remained closed.

Now that the children are back in school, we will be listening to them read and providing them with new reading books ready to bring home, which will be changed weekly. There might be some slight changes to your child's colour book band allocation on Book Club after the teaching staff in your child's year group have listened to them read. Likewise, a Reading Plus spring assessment will be carried out over the next 4 weeks and again, this may mean slight changes to your child's reading level.

WORLD BOOK DAY – 31st March 2021 – Share A Story

As you know, World Book Day was officially 4th March 2021 however, with the Beaumont family not all being together at this time, it didn't feel right to celebrate. We have therefore changed the date to Wednesday 31st March. Beaumont is a reading school and we cannot wait to celebrate together! We hope you are excited as we are in celebrating this very special day.

Now, as 31st March is VERY close to the end of term, we thought we would bring Easter and World Book Day together – an **EGG**cellent idea, I am sure you will agree!

On Wednesday 31st March, we would love to see your child dressed as one of their favourite book characters. If your child does not want to dress up, they can wear their pyjamas so that they are ready to get comfy and share a story – the theme for our day. 😊

Here is where the Easter link comes in. Usually, we run an Easter Egg Decorating Competition where children decorate hard boiled eggs to create a scene of their choice. The entries are usually placed in the hall and we hold a whole school assembly to announce the winners. This year, this competition is going ahead, but with a slight twist!

Unfortunately, there will be no whole school assembly but there will still be winners!

We are asking your child to submit an entry with a **BOOK** theme.

Can you decorate hard boiled eggs to look like book characters? **TIME TO GET CREATIVE!**

If your child enters, their masterpiece will be put into the school hall and a class at a time will go and view the entries. There will be one class winner, who will win a chocolate egg.



I cannot wait to celebrate a day packed with fancy dress, fun and lots of reading!

As always, thank you for all of your support, especially over the recent challenging months!

Stay safe & keep reading! 😊

Miss Marren