

Merry Christmas

Beckmead Park Academy

Bramley Bank &
The Beck

Christmas Holidays.

*Term finishes 17th
December 2021 at
12.30pm*

*Spring Term starts
Wednesday 5th
January 2022*

Welcome back!

Note from the Senior leaders:

What a fantastic start to the academic year! The children have settled into their new classes extremely well, and have kicked off this academic year with enthusiasm.

We want to take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

What's been happening at our schools.

The school has been busy over the last few weeks, with many different celebrations from multicultural day to anti-bullying week.

The children have been able to experience a wide and diverse curriculum over the last 14 weeks.

What's been going on in our classes?

Rainbow

Rainbow has had a very exciting term, welcoming our new student Chris. We went out to have breakfast at IKEA. This was an absolute delight, and the boys got to enjoy roaming around the store looking for their ideal homes. Rainbow have been enjoying their weekly swimming lessons on Wednesday mornings, both the boys have really come on with their confidence in the water. We started off our Christmas festivities with a special visit to Santa Claus. He made us complete a hide and seek trail before we got to the big man himself, where we received our very first christmas present!

Primary 1

Primary 1 is being taught by Mrs Maliha and supported by Mr Mark and Mrs Sirisha. The children have settled in extremely well and we are happy to welcome a new pupil joining us from another school. We are always excited at the opportunity to make new friends.

In English we have been successful in writing an alternative ending to our story! All the pupils have been able to use adjectives, adverbs and conjunctions in their writing.

In maths we have been working on developing a good understanding of place value, comparing and ordering numbers to 100. Additionally, all the pupils particularly enjoyed measuring lengths using cm and m.



Primary 1 has thoroughly enjoyed enrichment activities over the past term such as, our art lessons, going to our local and Lloyds park and finally our big trip to McDonalds and to see Santa!

Primary 2

Primary 2 has been extremely busy this last half term. They have done lots of cooking, making cheese toasties, jerk chicken and rice, luxury hot chocolate, to name but a few. Primary 2 has enjoyed braving the elements at Frylands Woods, where the children have explored the woods, by leading their own hike and creating listening games to catch out their peers. In maths, the children have focused on expanding their knowledge of place value, adding and subtracting using partitioning, fractions and also reading analogue and digital times.

In English, the children have explored a variety of texts, the children have written a set of instructions based on the story of 'How to wash a woolly mammoth' and created their own myth and legends by watching 'The Dragon Slayer'.

Primary 3

Primary 3 is being taught by Mrs Michelle and supported by Miss Carina and Mr Gavin. All of the children have worked amazingly well this half term. We have recently finished "Gangsta Granny" and we are now currently reading the book "Silas and the Marvellous Misfits".

In English we have learnt how to write creatively, using our imagination in Big Write. We are working on punctuation, pronouns and adjectives.

In Maths this half term we have learnt fractions, positive and negative numbers and the inverse operations.

The class have shown great interest in Geography, learning about The British Isles, physical and human geography.

All of the children have worked really hard this half term and they have made progress in all areas in their assessments and behaviour.

Primary 4:

Primary 4 has had a very busy term! While preparing for our SATS in the new year, we have started to attend Forest Skills where we are learning valuable life and survival skills. Whilst this can be very cold, we have been doing fitness lessons with Mr Raheem to keep our bodies warm, fit and healthy. Primary 4 is looking forward to becoming young explorers with the trip to Chislehurst Caves soon, so expect to see lots of pictures. Primary 4 have been working really hard to refine their Big Write skills and they have started to produce masterpieces! Primary 4 is also proud to announce that they are starting to produce young DJ's with the amazing DJ Milktray, we look forward to hearing Primary 4 spins some decks.



The Beck

This Autumn term The Beck have braved the elements and continued with our trips to Frylands Woods where we explore, fly kites and build dens. Our work is always followed by a cup of hot chocolate and cookies to warm us back up again.

In English we were learning about animals who migrate and writing our own reports about some of these amazing animals, such as the Emperor Penguin and Reindeer. We also participated in National Poetry Day by writing and performing our own poems, which were amazing.

In Science we were learning about the human body and how important a healthy diet is. We have also been learning about space and earth, how the earth orbits and rotates around the sun (making everyone very dizzy as we demonstrate it in class!)

The boys have loved their cooking lessons, making spaghetti bolognese, macaroni cheese and pizza! Apologise parents in advance as they have usually eaten it before you get the chance to taste any! Maybe next term! The boys have worked so hard this half term, the Beck staff team wish them a well deserved Christmas Break.



We are delighted to announce a new partnership with premier league footballer and anti-poverty campaigner Marcus Rashford and Macmillan Children's Books, to launch the **Marcus Rashford Book Club** – a programme to encourage and nurture a love of reading in children.



Bramley Bank celebrated Christmas jumper day, all the children made such a great effort. We even had hand made jumpers!!

Goodbye!

We would like to take this opportunity to say a massive thank you to Gavin, Paul and Natalie who are all moving on to new and exciting adventures. Their hard work and dedication to the children have been felt far and wide. We wish you all the luck and success in your future endeavours.

Have a wonderful Christmas and Happy New Year!!!

