



## Dates for diary

Friday 26th October  
End of half term

Sunday 4th November  
BHA fireworks

Monday 5th November  
Back to school

Wednesday 7th November  
Learning Review meetings  
5:30-8:30

Thursday 8th November  
Sharing assembly 10:45pm with  
Nursery  
Learning Review meetings  
3:30-6:00

Saturday 1st December  
BHA Christmas Bazaar

## Term / Holiday Dates

October Half term Break  
Monday 29th October  
to Friday 2nd October

End of Autumn term  
Friday 21st December

Christmas Holiday  
Monday 24th December to  
Friday 4th January

Spring Term  
INSET day Monday 7th January 2019  
Back to school Tuesday 8th  
January 2019

Spring Half Term Break  
Monday 18th February to Fri-  
day 22nd February 2018

Back to school  
Monday 25th February

End of Spring Term  
Friday 5th April

# Newsletter

Dear Parents,

Everyone has settled into the new school year and we have lots to celebrate!

We were treated to a fabulous Harvest Assembly with the year 3 and 4 children singing, dancing and performing a play. We were delighted with the generous donations for the St Albans and District Foodbank. Thank you to everyone who brought in some non perishable food for this good cause.

In school we recognise the importance of keeping healthy in body and mind. All children have been taking part in regular running, as well as their PE lessons, and all children are working to improve their running times. On World Mental Health day all classes completed activities thinking about their mental health.

We have our first girls' football team, who have played in several matches in the league of local schools. The girls are demonstrating their developing football skills and really enjoying playing together.

We have been pleased to see the great effort and creativity in the new homework logs. Thank you for supporting your children with this.

*Mrs K Harvey*

## Labelling Reminder

We can only return  
mislaidd coats, jumpers  
and cardigans if they  
have a label with your  
child's name.



## Keeping children safe

All children need to be taught and regularly reminded about being safe when walking on the pavements and crossing the roads.

### The Green Cross Code

1. Find a safe place to cross
2. Stop just before you get to the kerb
3. Look all around for traffic and listen
4. If traffic is coming, let it pass
5. When it is safe, go straight across the road - do not run

Go to the **THINK! website** to read the full Green Cross Code with more detailed advice.

## Harvest donations



Thank you for your  
generous donations for  
the St Albans and  
District Foodbank.

### SEND News for Parents

HAND newsletter link

[https://](https://handnews.hertfordshire.gov.uk/)

[handnews.hertfordshire.gov.  
uk/ issue-48-september-  
2018/ news-this-month/  
welcome-to -your-september  
-hand-news](https://handnews.hertfordshire.gov.uk/) Click on this  
link for advice, ideas and  
suggestions of groups to  
attend.

Please see additional leaflets  
in the school foyer for  
SEND information.

## World Mental Health Day

World Mental Health Day was on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October. At Beech Hyde, we recognise the importance of being able to have open conversations with our pupils about mental health and look for ways in which we can promote this. During the day, each class took part in a range of activities including the Daily Mile, talking about ways to keep mentally healthy and designing our network hands.

Network hands are a valuable tool for helping children to identify people they can talk to about any worries, both at home and at school.

In Year 6, the children designed 'positivity pebbles', which they will be hiding around the village – keep your eyes open for them and do let us know if you find one!

### FOOTBALL RESULTS

The boys' football team won their first match against Harpenden Academy 4-0. The girls won 2 out of their 3 matches this week as well!

Well done to all and thanks to Mr Drake and Mr Wilding.



### LIBRARY BOX

#### Hertfordshire Libraries Audiobooks and Ebooks

Thank you to Mrs Cummins who has discovered that Herts libraries now have an online borrowbox for audiobooks and ebooks – both for children and adults. Why not have a browse and find out what is on offer?

<https://>

[www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/libraries-and-archives/books-and-reading/ebooks-and-audiobooks/ebooks-and-audiobooks.aspx](http://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/libraries-and-archives/books-and-reading/ebooks-and-audiobooks/ebooks-and-audiobooks.aspx)

### BE BRIGHT! BE SEEN!

'Be Bright Be Seen' is an important message for the whole school community, especially as now the nights are drawing in. As the days are getting shorter, it is a good time to remember the importance of wearing bright and reflective clothing when out and about, to make us all more visible to traffic.

High visibility clothing and accessories are available from many outlets and these can help children and adults to be seen, and often include items such as reflective armbands, snap bands, clip on reflectors and zip clips.

Online advice can be found at

<https://www.think.gov.uk/about-think/story-of-think/>