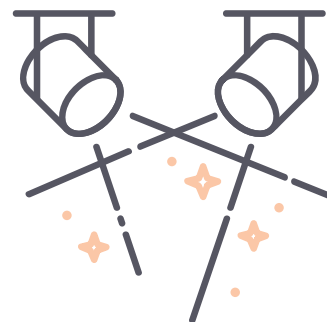


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IN THE SPOTLIGHT



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WELCOME

Following the announcement this week from the Prime Minister, we now know that schools will not be opening until at least March 8th. Whilst this is news that nobody wanted, I think it is worth taking a moment to reflect on what a truly amazing job our children have done in driving their learning forward over the last year. This would not have been possible without the fantastic collaboration between staff and parents. We are asking a lot of parents - to support home learning, whilst trying to balance your jobs and lives. We do know how you feel as many of our staff are doing exactly the same thing with their own children. Please remember that home learning must not become overwhelming. If it does start to feel like this, take a break for as long as you and your child needs and engage in something you both enjoy – a walk, a game, cooking, drawing, singing, dancing. These activities are just as important. We have had some really great feedback from many parents, which all of our staff really appreciate. As you will read in this newsletter, we would be really grateful if you could leave your school a google review so that prospective parents can get an idea of the support that we can offer their child. Thank you to every single child, parent and staff member for your hard work and support.

James Roach
@CEOInclusiveMAT

NQT OPEN EVENING

The Trust will be holding a virtual NQT (Newly Qualified Teacher) Open Evening on Thursday 11th March.

This will be an opportunity for NQT's to meet with Headteachers and Trust leaders to discuss the opportunities available across the Trust. We hope to welcome some enthusiastic and talented individuals looking to take their first teaching role.

This will be a virtual event that attendees can book to attend through Eventbrite. [Click here to view the event.](#)

A NOTE OF THANKS

A Tweet from Dean Russell MP, expressing his thanks for the hard work and commitment to remote learning, from Watford schools during the current lockdown. The MP for Watford spoke whilst addressing the Prime Minister, Boris Johnson, during PM Questions. The Prime Minister also mentioned his visits to Watford schools last year, one of which was at Beechfield.



NURSERY ADMISSIONS

The deadline for Nursery admissions is 26th February. Is your child aged 3? Do you know any friends or family in the local area who's children are 3 or turning 3? If you have then we would like to hear from you. Our schools remain available to assist with enquiries and any questions parents may have. Headteachers are available to talk to prospective parents. This can be arranged by contacting the school office.

There is also information and videos available on each of the schools websites with details of how to make an application.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR FEEDBACK

Each of the Trust schools has been immensely grateful for the positive feedback they have received from parents and pupils for their support during this lockdown.

Receiving this type of feedback really does make the teacher's day, knowing that they are helping their pupils through these challenging times.

Many of you have given feedback through emails into the school or on social media, and we have started to display some of these on our school websites.



If you have given feedback and would like to help your school further, we would be grateful if you could leave the school a review on Google. Whilst we like to celebrate this positivity internally with our school community, it is also helpful for parents that are choosing a primary school, to understand the support they would be offered by choosing one of our schools.

You can leave a review by searching for your school on Google and on the school profile on the left hand side there will be an option to leave a review. You will need to be signed in to your Google account to do this.

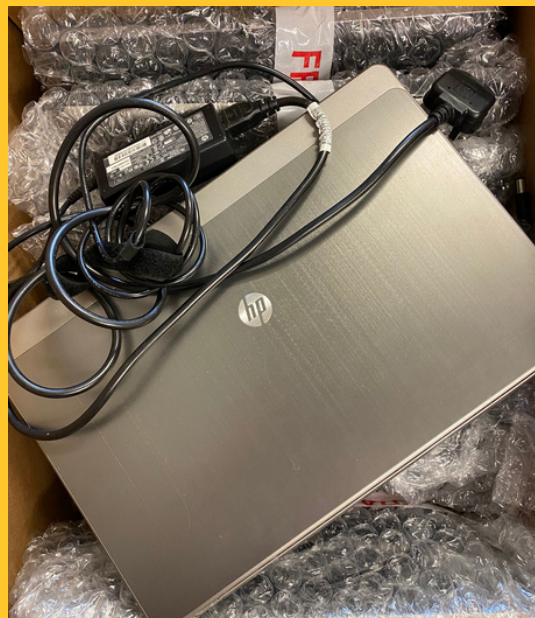
VACANCIES

We are currently recruiting for the following vacancies. [Please visit our website for further information.](#)

SEN TEACHING ASSISTANT (Cherry Tree)
NQT (NEWLY QUALIFIED TEACHER) (ALL)
TRUSTEE NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR (TRUST)

LAPTOP DONATIONS

Thank you to Top Golf UK for their donation of seven laptops to Cherry Tree Primary School. Donations like this really go a long way to help the school meet the needs of all our families, enabling them to be able to learn at home.



CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

Next week is Children's Mental Health Week. In such challenging times children's mental health and well-being have never been so important. This year's theme is express yourself. Why not join [Place2be's virtual assembly on Monday Morning at 9am.](#)



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