



BEARWOOD NEWS

Friday 10th March 2023

Dear Families

Despite the drop-in temperature, we've had the usual excitement at Bearwood! Thank you for bringing your children into school in the snow on Wednesday. I'm sure they enjoyed the experience of walking in the snow. Thank you also for supporting the school by attending the Scholastic Book Fair. The last day for the book fair will be Monday.

This week, UKS2 experienced a workshop on Fair Trade from RISC. From February 27th to March 12th, it has been Fair Trade Fortnight.

Our school choir have been rehearsing for the WASMA concert. I am looking forward to watching them perform at the Hexagon Theatre this Sunday.

Next Thursday, the PTA will be running the 'Nearest and Dearest' room. Children can bring in a donation of £2 in exchange for a small gift.

Next Friday is Comic Relief. Children can come to school dressed in something red in exchange for a small donation.

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes

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Value for the term –

Respect

Good Luck to our school choir who are taking part in the WASMA Concert at the Hexagon on Sunday 12th March!



Office Notices

Growth Mindset Awards

Beaver – Sophia
Rabbit – Amelia
Otters – Louisa
Grey Wolf – JJ
Red Squirrel – Lakshitha
Fox – Rhema
Dormouse – Francesca
Pine Marten – Gaby
Hedgehog – SJ
Wolverine – Whole Class

Sports Star Awards

Beaver – Alondra
Rabbit – Jackson
Otters – Oscar
Grey Wolf – Gyan
Red Squirrel – Eliana
Fox – Milo
Dormouse – Ruby
Pine Marten – Eddie
Hedgehog – Zunairah
Wolverine – Shahesta

IMPORTANT dates to remember

- W/C 13th March – Science Week
- Thurs 16th March – Year 6 Parents' Meeting on SATs and Residential
- Fri 17th March - Comic Relief
- Tues 21st March – Year 1 Local Walk
- Wed 22nd March – Reception Walk in the woods
- Thurs 23rd March – Jewish Passover assembly
- Fri 24th March – 9am – Prospective Parent Tour
- Tues 28th March – Year 1 Trip to the zoo
- Wed 29th March – LKS2 production to Parents
- Thurs 30th March – Year 2 Heritage Workshop
- Fri 31st March – Last day of Spring term – Attendance medals – School closing at 2pm.
- Mon 17th April – Children return

Weekly Updates!

For pictures and information on what each class has been doing this week or enrichment activities that have taken place please click on the year group below or visit the school gallery.

[Nursery](#)

[Reception](#)

[Year 1](#)

[Year 2](#)

[Years 3 and 4](#)

[Years 5 and 6](#)

[School Gallery](#)

Coming Soon - Bearwood Sunflower Competition!



The Eco-Warriors are very excited to be running a sunflower growing competition. Each class will be given some seeds (thank you to Winnersh Garden Centre for donating these!) to grow in class.



When the seedlings are strong enough they will be transferred to our raised beds, where we will enjoy watching them flourish. The Eco Warriors have been hard at work over the past few months, weeding the beds in preparation for the competition.

In the summer term we will measure them to see which class has grown the tallest sunflower, with a prize for the successful class.

We will keep you updated with photos and look forward to seeing a sea of yellow heads in the summer!





Weekly Attendance

Bear Cubs- 82.12%

Brown Bear –96.69%

Beaver –95.09%

Rabbit –98.84%

Otter –100% Winners 🏆

Grey Wolf –95.45%

Red Squirrel –96.43%

Dormouse –92.72%

Fox – 97.32%

Wolverine –96.67%

Hedgehog –96.92%

Pine Marten – 95.4%



Please ensure you call or email each day your child is absent.

We spend a lot of time calling parents that have not called in to report an absence. Please ensure you report an absence before 9am.

| MINUTES LATE PER DAY | EQUIVALENT OF MISSING | HOW MANY LESSONS THIS IS MISSED |
|----------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 5 MINUTES | 3.4 SCHOOL DAYS A YEAR | 17 LESSONS |
| 10 MINUTES | 6.9 SCHOOL DAYS A YEAR | 35 LESSONS |
| 15 MINUTES | 10.3 SCHOOL DAYS A YEAR | 51 LESSONS |
| 20 MINUTES | 13.8 SCHOOL DAYS A YEAR | 69 LESSONS |
| 30 MINUTES | 20.7 SCHOOL DAYS A YEAR | 104 LESSONS |



Lates

Please ensure your children arrive to school on time. It can be very disruptive to the child and to the rest of the class.

Thank you

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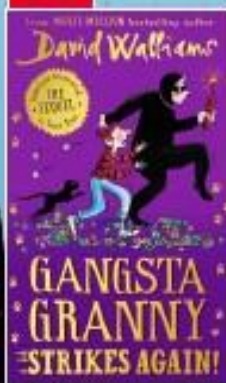
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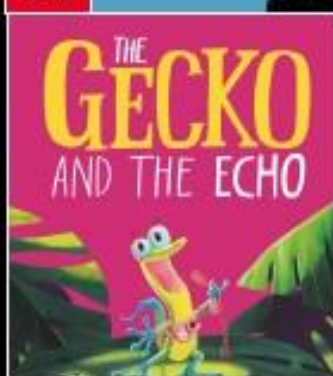
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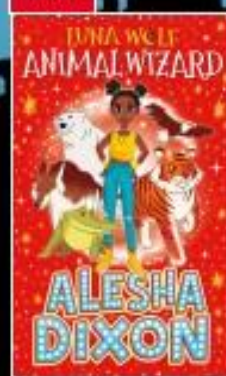
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Please note that the children will be bringing
home a Book Token which can be redeemed in
stores or at the Book Fair.

**Tuesday 7th March –
Tuesday 14th March**

Scan the QR code
to pay online!





**Citizens Advice will be at:
Bearwood Primary School**

**Tuesday 21st March
between 2pm and 3:30pm**

**with our Mobile Advice Unit.
Providing free, confidential
advice, information and support.**



◆ **Thursday 16th March** ◆

Hosted by Bearwood PTA



Nearest & Dearest Day

£2 to take part

Buy a gift for someone special
Children are invited to spend their money
in the surprise room
One gift per child



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UNIVERSAL VOICES

Director: Dr Rebecca Berkley

BRING A BUDDY OPEN REHEARSAL

Wednesday 22nd March 2023, 16.00 – 17.30

University Great Hall, London Road Campus, RG1 5AQ

Come and sing with Universal Voices, the free children's community choir at the University of Reading - singing, games, laughter, fun and performance

Universal Voices is a community choir open to all boys and girls aged 7-12 in the Reading area. No auditions are necessary. We rehearse on Wednesdays in term time, 16.00 – 17.30, in Building L29 on the London Road Campus.

Universal Voices is free for all children, thanks to the generous support of our donors and the University Alumni and Supporter Engagement Office.

To book your child's free place at a rehearsal, please complete this [online registration form](#), or scan this QR code

You can also email universalvoices@reading.ac.uk



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Winnersh Parish Council

Clean Up Day 2023

Meeting at St Marys Church, Church Close, Winnersh,
RG41 5NA on Sunday 26 March 2023 at 11am

Please come along and lend a hand but remember to
wear gloves, strong footwear and suitable clothing

Please bring along your own litter picker and Hi Vis if
you have them otherwise they can be provided while
stocks last

Refreshments will be provided

For further details please contact Winnersh Parish
Council on 01189 780244 or email
clerk@winnersh.gov.uk

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WOKINGHAM
BOROUGH COUNCIL

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/pants-underwear-rule/>

What is Talk PANTS?

Talk Pants is a simple conversation to help keep children safe from sexual abuse. With the help of our friendly dinosaur, Pantosaurus, it helps children understand that their body belongs to them, and they should tell someone they trust if anything makes them feel upset or worried.



It's an easy, fun and friendly way to help with having these vital conversations. And hundreds of thousands of parents have used Talk PANTS with their children.