

BEARWOOD NEWS

Dear Families

Friday 8th September 2023

Welcome back for a brand-new school year! It has been great to have the children back. We have had an excellent start as we continue to aspire for excellence. We also welcome Miss McNulty, Reception class teacher; and Miss Reed, Year Five class teacher. I am sure you will make them feel welcome.

Thank you to parents who have attended the start of year meetings for KS1, LKS2 and UKS2. I hope you found them informative. The presentations and recordings of the meetings will be emailed out. The EYFS meeting will take place next week.

We have a new homework policy in place, which you will be able to find on the school website by next week.

With this newsletter, we are sending out the adverts for important roles and responsibilities children can apply for. Miss Parry discussed these with the children in assembly this week.

After-school clubs will be starting next week. If you signed your child up for a club, you will receive notification today.

Bearwood Primary School is a really buzzing, exciting place to be. Thank you for being with us on this exciting journey. Have a great weekend.

Best wishes

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Value for the term –

Service





Team Leaders

This year, our team leaders are as follows:

EYFS (Nursery and Reception) Mrs Johnson

KS1 (Year One and Year Two) Mrs Haden

LKS2 (Year Three and Year Four) Miss Parry

UKS2 (Year Five and Year Six) Ms Alder

If you have any queries or concerns with regard to your child, in the first instance, you should communicate with your child's class teacher. This may be via the school office, or you can speak with your child's class teacher at home time on the playground. If your concerns continue, then you can talk to the team leader for your child's class.





You should have received communication this week regarding our new communication/payment app!

Please do ensure you download and get yourself signed up!

Many thanks

Situations Vacant!

This year's important roles and responsibilities in school for children to apply for:

Playground Friends We are looking for sensible and kind children to be Playground Friends. You will need to play with any child who sits on the Friendship Bench at playtimes, and help them to make friends. This is a very important job, because it will help to make sure no child is unhappy with no friends at playtimes. Children from Year One and Year Four can apply.	Peer Mediators This is a very responsible job. Only the most sensible and mature Year Five and Six children need apply! Successfully appointed Peer Mediators will be trained to be able to help children to resolve their conflicts. You will have to be patient, listen to all sides of an argument and not be ready to make a rash judgement. The application process with involve an interview with the Assistant Headteacher. Children from Year Five and Six can apply.	Class Ambassadors This is a very important job as this will involve representing your class and being ready to greet any visitors who come to your classroom. You will need to be able to talk confidently and positively about what you are all learning and be ready to answer any questions that the visitors might have. This role is for children who are proud of their class and are ready to showcase the school. Children from Year One to Year Six can apply.
Librarians Do you foster a love of reading? Do you understand the vital role it plays in all that we do? Would you like to help keep our school library tidy and re-shelf books that are returned? Librarians will spend at least one playtime a week being in the library making sure it is tidy and books are re-shelved. You will have to be someone who is sensible and can be trusted to be inside at playtime doing this important job.	Litter Pickers This is a very important job that will help to keep our school grounds clean and tidy. You will help to pick up litter on the KS2 playground and remind children to always put their own rubbish in the bin. You will have to be someone who is well organised and is able to collect a litter picker from the school office at the start of lunchtime. You have to be very sensible and a passionate person who cares about our environment!	Eco Warriors Are you concerned about the environment? Would you like to make a difference and help us to continue to be a more green school? You will need attend meetings to plan campaigns and how to persuade people to be more green. You will help to find ways that our school can be more environmentally friendly. Children from Year Two to Year Six can apply.
Children from Year Five and Year Six can apply.	Children from Key Stage Two can apply.	Situations Vacant!
Assembly Monitors We are looking for very sensible, mature KS2 children to be Assembly Monitors. This job will involve helping to prepare for the assemblies by putting chairs and benches out. You will have to be an organised person and remember to come to the hall at the end of playtime to carry out your job. You will also need to remain behind at the end of each assembly to help put the benches away. Children from Key Stage Two can apply.	House Captains This post is for Year Six only. We require two House Captains for each of our Houses: Sycamore, Oak, Larch and Beech. As House Captain, you will help to collect the house points awarded each week, and will share how many your house achieved in our Friday celebration assemblies. If your house wins, you will receive the cup on behalf of your house. Sometimes, you may be asked to show important visitors around the school, so you will have to be a very sensible and confident person, and be able to talk positively about our school. Children from Year Six can apply.	We have exciting new roles and responsibilities that are now open for children to apply for. Please read the adverts carefully with your child and fill in the application form Attached to this newsletter. The deadline is next Friday (15 th September) When all of the applications will be collated and children will be presented with their roles in assembly in the following week. Good luck!

Office Notices

Growth Mindset Awards

- Rabbit Whole Class
- Otter Whole Class
- Beaver Whole Class
- Red Kite Whole Class
- Fox Gurvansh
- Dormouse Whole Class
- Red Squirrel Keelee
- Hedgehog Poppy P
- Pine Marten Whole Class

Sports Star Awards

PE will commence next week!

Please ensure all children are in the correct PE Kit. No cycling shorts please.

IMPORTANT dates to remember

- Wed 13th September 9am EYFS Parents' Welcome Meeting
- Tues 19th October Harvest Assembly
- Fri 21st September 9am Prospective Parents' Tour
- Fri 6th October School Photographer Individual Photos
- Wed 11th October 9am Reception Parents Phonic Workshop
- Fri 13th October 9am Prospective Parents' Tour
- Mon 16th October BHM Assembly
- Mon 16th October 3.30-6pm Parents' Evening
- Wed 18th October 4-6.30pm Parents' Evening
- Fri 19th October International Attire Day

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



School success starts with attendance

Weekly Attendance

Bear Cubs- 88.5% RJ Koda – 91.4% RM Orsa – 94.8% Rabbit –92.5% Otter –100% Winners Beaver –88.3% Red Kite –94.9% Dormouse –94.8% Fox – 96.7% Wolverine –94.1% Hedgehog –91.6% Pine Marten – 95.7%



Please ensure you call or email <u>each day</u> 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.