



BEARWOOD NEWS

Friday 14th October 2022

Dear Families

We have had another busy and exciting week. Wolverine Class delivered a fantastic assembly yesterday - our first-class assembly to parents since the pandemic. All of our other classes will have an opportunity to perform to their parents over the course of the year.

Our Reception parents had a chance to find out how we teach phonics and how they can support their children at home. On this Wednesday 19th October at 9am, we will hold another workshop for Reception parents - on how we teach reading and how they can support their children at home. This workshop is very helpful with lots of useful tips.

October is Black History Month in the UK. On Thursday 20th October, the children will experience a special Black History Month assembly.

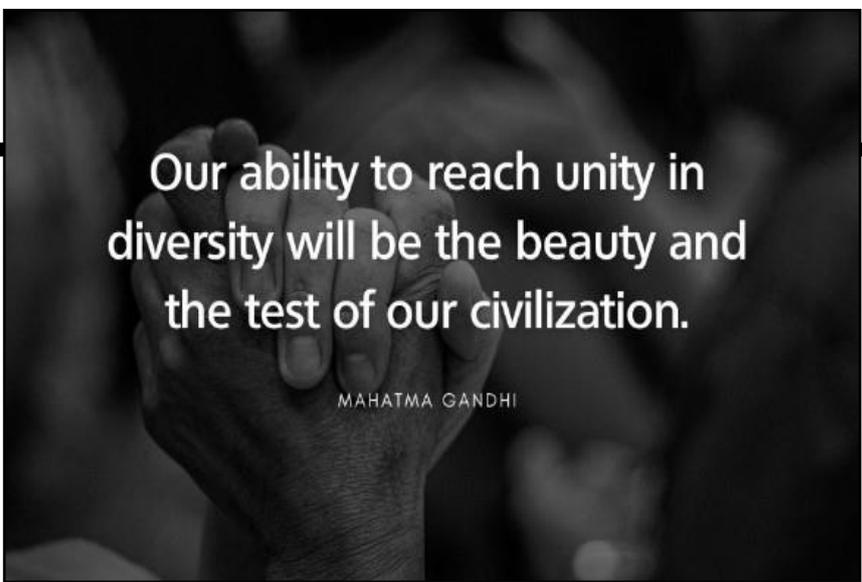
On Friday 21st October, we will have our now traditional 'International Attire Day'. We look forward to all of our children dressing in clothes to represent a country in the world. This could be the country their family has originated from, or they can choose another country. I always love to see how children interpret traditional attire for England - we have had some really creative outfits. International Attire Day is a way for us to reflect the value of unity at a global level. Bearwood is indeed a fantastic, global village!

I hope you all have a great weekend.

Best wishes

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Value for the term – Unity



Our ability to reach unity in
diversity will be the beauty and
the test of our civilization.

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Our Strength in Phonics

At Bearwood Primary School, we have developed a real strength in the teaching of phonics. Our Phonics Screening Check results for last year's Year One was 95%. This was significantly higher than Wokingham's average of 82%, and the National average of 72%. Well done to the staff in EYFS and Year One, the parents and of course the children for all their hard work.

Active Movement AMbassadors	
Year 1 Beaver	Lily
Year 1 Rabbit	Evangeline
Year 2 Otter	Kayson
Year 2 Grey Wolf	Zac
Year 3/4 Fox	Joseph
Year 3/4 Dormouse	Trevor
Year 3/4 Red Squirrel	Yehya
Year 5/6 Wolverine	Papa
Year 5/6 Hedgehog	Lily-Jay
Year 5/6 Pine Marten	Dion

Mr Bell has started the second year of our Active Movement initiative - children from each class have been selected as AMbassadors to help teacher with delivering new Active Movement ideas each week - for the first week, we will be taking part in active registers - each class remain standing to complete morning reading until their names are called in the register. By increasing the amount we stand during the day, we reduce the amount of time we spend sat down and reduce the amount of sedentary behaviour in our classrooms.

Office Notices

Growth Mindset Awards

Red Squirrel – Mason
Fox – Frankie
Dormouse – Aubree
Pine Marten – Eve
Hedgehog – Susan
Wolverine – Faye
Beavers – Mason
Rabbit – Evi
Otters – Toby B
Grey Wolf – Olivia / Oliver

Sports Star Awards

Red Squirrel – Henry
Fox – Chace
Dormouse – Pasha
Pine Marten – Navya
Hedgehog – Emily
Wolverine – Finlay
Beavers – Alondra
Rabbit – Vincent
Otters – Louisa
Grey Wolf – Toby T

Year 2 Brooklands Museum

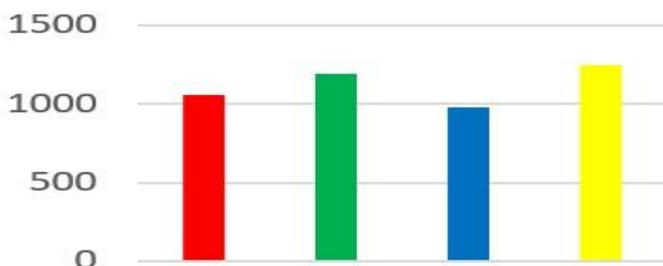
Tuesday 1st November
Please log on to your SCOPAY account to pay your trip fee.

Reception

Vision Screening Check

Monday 14th November

This week's house points



Secondary School Applications

Don't forget to apply for your school place!

Deadline: 31st October 2022

Any applications received after this date will be treated as late and not considered until after National Offer Day on 1st March 2023. This is a high birth rate year so we would encourage parents to apply before the deadline.



Second Hand Book Sale

Thursday 20th
October

Cash Only

After School in the
KS2 Playground



Reception Parents' Reading Workshop

Wednesday 19th October

Please arrive at 9am



International Attire Day

Children are invited to wear their own National Costumes or Red, White and Blue on **Friday 21st October**



Class updates!

Weekly class updates
https://www.bearwood-pri.wokingham.sch.uk/web/pupil_zone/60827

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Clerk to Governors

Start Date – October 2022 or as soon as possible after

Hours – Approximately 150 per annum

Salary – WBC Grade 4 SCP 7-10

Contract Term - Permanent

If you are interested in the role or would like further details please contact the school office.



Prospective Reception September 2023 Parent Tours

Tuesday 22nd November at 1.30pm
Wednesday 23rd November at 9.30am
Thursday 24th November at 5pm

Please email the school office if you wish to book onto one of our tours.



Flu E-Consent Form

Don't forget to complete your flu e-consent form:

<https://www.berkshireimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu>

This form must be completed by Monday 24th October.

Cost of Living Survey – How has it impacted you?

If you live in the Wokingham Borough please complete this anonymous survey, the results will help us to understand more about the cost of living crisis.

To complete survey click <https://forms.gle/wqJX2YpoFqkrLkew8>



Cold season is upon us and we are using a lot of tissues. We would really appreciate any donations of boxes of tissues to help us through. Thank you in advance for your kindness.

We would love to have an Autumn Table in Nursery, if you find any signs of autumn, please bring them in for our table. You could even send in a photograph.

Thank you for your continued support.



Weekly Attendance

- Bear Cubs- 85.7%
- Brown Bear – 96.2%
- Beaver – 100% Winners 🏆
- Rabbit –86.7%
- Otter – 93.3%
- Grey Wolf – 99.1%
- Red Squirrel – 100% Winners 🏆
- Dormouse – 99.3%
- Fox – 97.8%
- Wolverine – 97.3%
- Hedgehog – 92%
- Pine Marten – 99.3%



Please ensure you call, email or complete a daily absence form each day your child is absent.

You can find our daily absence form on our website:

<https://www.bearwood-pri.wokingham.sch.uk/parents/forms>

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



FREE Dyslexia Resources available!

Nessy has put together 3 'Just Teach Me' resource packs to empower teachers and parents to advocate for children. They are filled with important information, inspirational posters, and useful links to dyslexia support organisations from around the world!

Please click the link below for more information

<https://www.nessy.com/free-resources/dyslexia-awareness-month>



Mrs Brunt and Mrs Giles from St Catherine's Church led our Harvest assemblies last week. They told the story of Jesus Feeding the Five Thousand and we reflected on the famine conditions in parts of the world.

Thank you for the Harvest donations which will be going to the local Food Bank to support local families in need.



Overdue Payments

Please ensure you top up your scopay lunch accounts. Please also ensure you have paid for any outstanding trip balances.

Thank you!



**Citizens Advice will be at:
Bearwood Primary School
Tuesday 8th November
between 2pm and 3:30pm**

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



Wokingham



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Discounted tickets available via Bearwood PTA

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READING'S FAVOURITE DAME

PAUL MORSE

AS NANNY HYDRANGEA TROTT

IAN ALEXANDER FULL

AS WALTER BOTEMME

CARL TRACEY

AS JACK TROTT



Friday 9th & Monday 19th Dec



JACK AND THE BEANSTALK



SAT 3 DEC 2022 - MON 2 JAN 2023

0118 960 6060 - whatsonreading.com





Bearwood PTA

HALLOWEEN DISCO

Friday 21st October 2022

KS1 5pm-6pm

KS2 6:30pm-7:30pm

£2 per child includes a drink & crisps

Please see email from PTA for full details



Parentkind
Member Association