

BEARWOOD NEWS



Friday 8th May 2026



A message from Ms Alder



Dear Families

I hope you all enjoyed the bank holiday weekend!

This week, Beaver Class went on a very special trip to Windsor Castle. This was a part of their history learning - about kings, queens and castles. They had a wonderful time, as you can see later in this newsletter. Thank you to the parent volunteers who helped.

Our Nursery really is absolutely fantastic. I popped in this morning and saw so many exciting things happening - including children making model snails with painted shells and clay. Yesterday, I had some delicious dinner cooked for me in the mud kitchen!! Nursery parents can find out more at the next Stay and Play session this Tuesday from 9am. We do have spaces in our Nursery for September. If you know any families looking for a Nursery place for their child, who must have turned three years old by the end of August, do let them know.

Next week, our Year Sixes will be taking their SATs papers. We wish them all the best of luck.

Have a lovely, relaxing weekend.

Best wishes

Funmi Alder
Headteacher.



Value for the term - Resilience

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Resilience is not about being unbreakable; it's about being able to put the pieces back together and continue on with renewed hope and courage.

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We are delighted to welcome Ruvimbo Gore to Bearwood as a LSA in Red Squirrel class! Please join us in giving Ruvimbo a very warm welcome.

Events ★

- **w/c 11th May** - SATS
- **12th May** - Nursery Stay & Play session - 9am-9.45am
- **19th May** - Class Photographs
- **22nd May** - 9.30am Parent Tour
- **22nd May** - 2pm Country Dancing show to Parents
- **25th May** - Summer Half - Term
- **1st June** - Children Return
- **w/c 8th June** - Yr 1 Phonics Screening check
- **w/c 8th June** - Yr 4 Multiplications check
- **16th June** - EYFS Bucklebury Farm Trip
- **18th June** - GRT History Month Assembly
- **w/c 22nd June** - Year 6 residential
- **23rd June** - Parents' Forum Meeting 9am
- **25th June** - Fox Class Assembly
- **26th June** - Prospective Parents' Tour - 9.30am

WEEKLY AWARDS



Growth Mindset Award ★

Fox Class - **Gracie** 'for always being ready to learn.'

Beaver Class - **Reggie** 'incredible determination at Windsor Castle when trying to find a painting of William the Conqueror.'

Red Squirrel Class - **Thomas** 'for his constant focus and determination in all lessons.'

Hedgehog Class - **Vincent** 'great understanding of time.'

Badger Class - **Shreya** 'great focus in all lessons.'

Otter Class - **Henry** 'for amazing focus and vocabulary choices in your writing.'

Grey Wolf Class - **Savannah** 'fantastic attitude and focus this week - particularly with your writing!'

PE Award ★

Fox Class - **Eli** 'for his joyous enthusiasm in our Country Dance.'

Beaver Class - NO PE AWARD- Due to Bank Holiday/School Trip

Red Squirrel Class - **Elijah** 'improved engagement in PE Lessons.'

Hedgehog Class - **Anas** 'Great effort in swimming, moved up a group level.'

Badger Class - **Oscar** 'for great skipping pace around the maypole.'

Otter Class - **Somto** 'for great effort and enthusiasm practicing the dance for diabetes dance.'

Grey Wolf Class - **Joshua** 'for great effort and enthusiasm practicing the dance for diabetes dance.'

Writer of the week ★

KS1 - **Albie** 'for making a great story map for the owl babies.'

LKS2 - **Lily** 'for writing a great petition with very good arguments.'

UKS2 - **Lauryane** 'great description and use of punctuation.'

Attendance Award ★

Fox Class - 94.4%

Beaver Class - 93.7%

Red Squirrel Class - 96.8%

Hedgehog Class - 98.9%

Badger Class - 97%

Otter Class - 97.3%

Grey Wolf Class - 100% **(Winner)**

Brown Bear Class - 92.1%

INCLUSION/SEN



A message from Ms Kay Clarke (Inclusion Lead) ★★



Nurture Room Calm Pods

A big thank you to Mr Jacob who has donated two cocoon chair calm pods to our new Nurture room. Some children – and staff! - have already started to use the pods. They are great to sit in quietly or to curl up inside and read a book.



WEEKLY SUPERSTAR



Vogue in Year 2 Beaver Class started her badminton lessons last Friday and got a rally going with her teacher!

Well done Vogue for overcoming your shyness and trying something new!



Would you like to star in our next newsletter?



If you would like your child to star in our next week's Newsletter, please email a photo and a brief description of your child's achievements into the school office.

WEEKLY CLASS UPDATES...



EYFS Team



In Reception the children have loved the story of What The Ladybird Heard. In Drawing Club we had great fun thinking of a new way to trap Hefty Hugh and Lanky Len to stop them stealing the fine prize cow. We have designed our own farms and looked at doubles using Ladybird spots!

The Nursery children have enjoyed finding out about snails. Our favourite snail story is Norman the slug with a silly shell by Sue Hendra and Paul Linnet. The children all helped to bake cheesy tomato pastry swirls, which looked and smelt delicious! We have also made our very own snail using clay. We are looking forward to sharing our minibeasts songs with you on Tuesday at the Stay and Play (9.00am until 9.45am) We hope you can make it!



Class Reminders

- **12th May 2026** - Nursery Stay & Play Session 9am-9.45am
- **16th June 2026** - Bucklebury Farm Trip

WEEKLY CLASS UPDATES...



Year 1- Fox Class



This week we have been using cubes, beads and counters to measure how long, or tall something is in Maths.



Class reminders

- **Thursday 25th June** - Class Assembly - 9am

WEEKLY CLASS UPDATES...

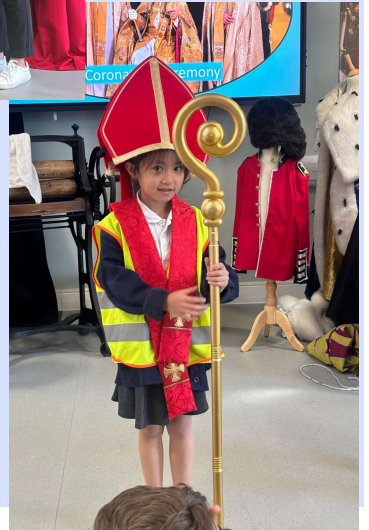


Year 2 - Beaver Class



Yesterday we went on an exciting trip to Windsor Castle. We had a workshop where we learnt all about the life of King Charles and his job as a king. We acted out part of Macbeth, a knighthood ceremony and even our own coronation. We spent the afternoon exploring the castle and saw some of the King's guards walking through the castle!

Windsor Castle Trip



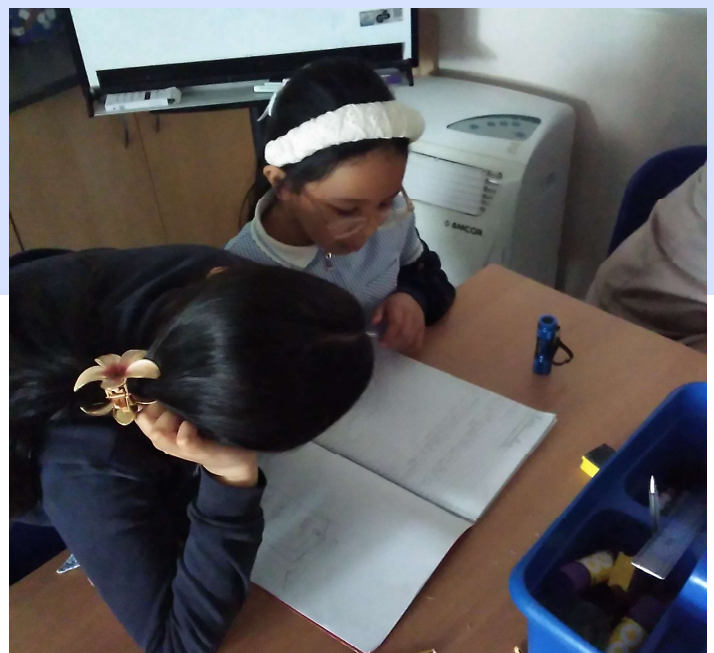
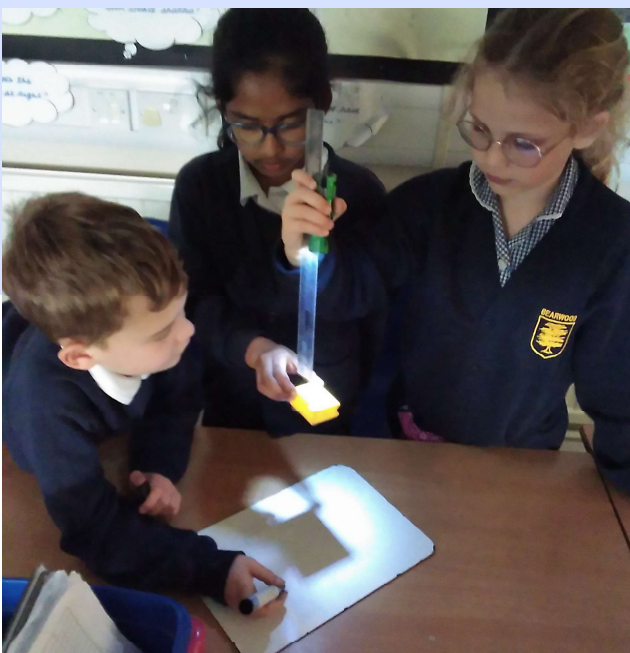
WEEKLY CLASS UPDATES...



Year 3 - Red Squirrel



Year 3 have been learning about shadows this week. Our experiment explored how they are formed and what causes them to change.



Class Reminders

- **9th June** - Reddam House 'Raise Your Voice' Music Event

WEEKLY CLASS UPDATES...



Year 4 - Hedgehog



Year 4 had their second lesson learning the Dood. It is proving to be quite challenging for some, but with lots of practice we will get there!

This week we are still working on time and we are writing petitions.



Class Reminders

- Don't forget we have swimming on Fridays!

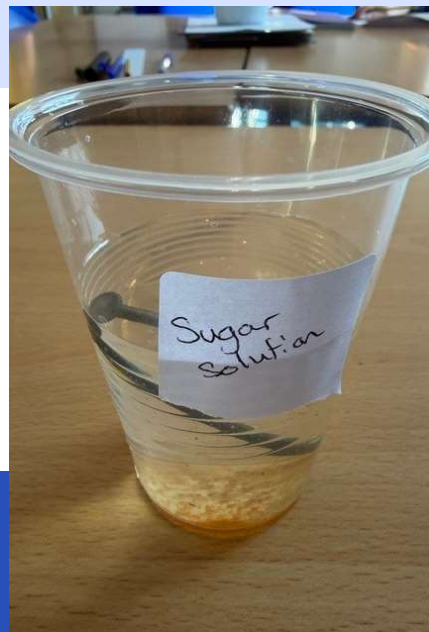
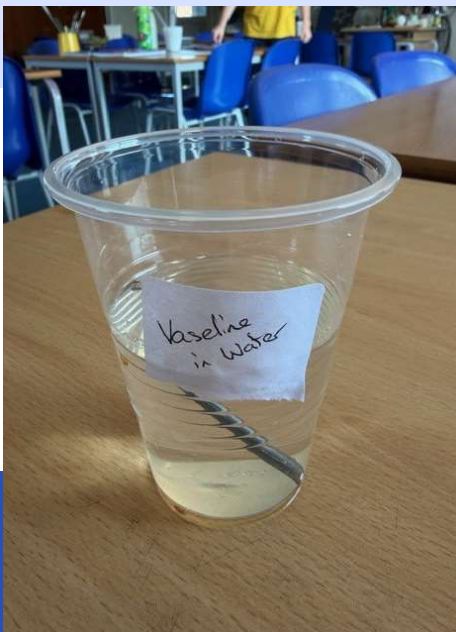
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Year 5



In Year 5 this week we are looking at rusting reactions as part of our Science topic on Changes of Materials. We thought about different ways to protect the metal by using paint and vaseline as well as different solutions to leave it in. We are weighing the nails each day to record the differences.



WEEKLY CLASS UPDATES...



Year 6



Year 6 have been enjoying some well deserved Warner time after their hard work towards their SATs next week! We're in the final push now, and wish Year 6 all the best for next week - they've got this!



Good Luck
SATS



Class reminders

- Monday 22nd June - Friday 26th June - Year 6 Residential

COOKING CLUB..



YUMMY!



A huge well done to all of our children in Cooking Club this week! The children did a fantastic job making delicious chocolate chip cookies, showing great teamwork, creativity and baking skills throughout the session. We are very proud of their enthusiasm and effort!
Great job, everyone!