



# BEARWOOD NEWS

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2025

Dear Families

Some of our governors came for an extended tour of the school on Wednesday morning. They visited every classroom, spending time to go around the tables and talk to children about their learning. The Class Ambassadors from each class were ready to explain what their class were doing at that time. In every class, children were well behaved and calm.

Some of our LKS2 children attended the TeamGym event at Pinewood Gymnastics Club. They had a fantastic time demonstrating and further developing their skills. Thank you to Miss Lloyd for accompanying them.

Our school choir had their first big WASMA rehearsal with other school choirs from Wokingham at Waingels School. Thank you to Miss Reed and Mrs Goodwin for accompanying them.

Dormouse Class presented their assembly to their parents yesterday. They confidently shared their learning and sang a lovely song.

Some of our Year Six parents attended the Year Six SATs information meeting, delivered by Mr Marshall. The presentation has been emailed out to all Year Six parents. Do have a read to find out what to expect and how you can further support your children.

This Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February at 9am, there will be a Safer Internet information meeting for parents, delivered by Miss Lloyd as our Computing Lead. This is a part of Safer Internet Day. Internet safety for our young people is so important. Do try to attend.

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes

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**Headteacher**

Value for the term –

Honesty



Tuesday 11th February is Safer Internet Day. Miss Lloyd, is going to deliver a special meeting for parents on internet safety. It is difficult to keep up with how technology is changing, and the risks that arise with new platforms etc.

The parent's meeting on internet safety will take place at 9am on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February. Please book your seat by completing the following Google form:

<https://forms.gle/Ktwrb2mq4W3vAPbk7>

## Getting your child to school on time really matters

If in a school year your child is late everyday .....	Your child would have lost approximately .....	Or they would have missed approximately .....
5 Minutes	3 days from school	16 lessons lost
10 Minutes	5 days from school	32 lessons lost
15 Minutes	8 days from school	48 lessons lost
20 Minutes	11 days from school	63 lessons lost
30 Minutes	16 days from school	95 lessons lost

### Lates

We have noticed an increase of late children each day.

This can be very disruptive to your child and the class. Please ensure you child arrives on time

**08.35am–08.45am**

# Office Notices

## Growth Mindset Awards

Fox – Shanaya

Beaver – Remy

Red Kite – Seebaaz

Red Squirrel – Adeola

Dormouse – Viaan

Badger – Ruby

Otter – Ziyannah

Grey Wolf – Syon

## Sports Star Awards

Fox – Enzo

Beaver – Jude B

Red Kite – Jaibir

Red Squirrel – Lily

Dormouse – Toby B

Badger – Henry

Otter – Leland

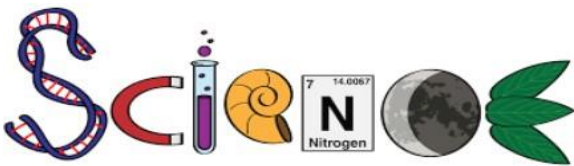
Grey Wolf – Waleed



### This week's winners of TTRS 'Battle of the Bands'

*LKS2 Winners – Dormouse 342 Points*

*UKS2 Winners – Badger 285 Points*



### Scientist of the week!

*LKS2 – Oviya*

*UKS2 – Mason*

## CYBER PROTECT WEBINARS



### The Digital Dilemma: Keeping Children Safe Online



We have sent out a flyer on parent workshops you can attend with this

# IMPORTANT

## dates to remember

- Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February Safer Internet Day – workshop for parents – 9am and 5pm
- Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February – KS1 Milestone Museum Trip
- Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February – 9am – Red Kite Class assembly
- Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February – Spring half-term
- Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February – children return
- Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February – 9.30am – prospective parents' tour
- Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March – World Book Day
- Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March – LKS2 Tag Rugby – 15:30-17:00 (Invite only)
- W/C 10<sup>th</sup> March – Science Week
- Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March – Red Nose Day & UKS2 In2 Hockey – 15:00-18:00 (Invite only)
- Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> March – 3:45 to 6:15pm – Parents' Evening
- Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March – 4:30 to 7pm – Parents' Evening
- Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March – 9.30am – prospective parents' tour
- Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April – 9:30am – LKS2 production to parents
- Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April – 2pm – LKS2 production to parents
- Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April – attendance medals assembly
- Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April – last day of Spring term – school closed at 2pm
- Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April – children return
- Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> April – Jewish Passover assembly
- Friday 25<sup>th</sup> April – 9.30am – prospective parents' tour
- Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May – Sikh Vaisakhi assembly
- Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May – Bank Holiday
- W/C 12<sup>th</sup> May – Year Six SATs
- Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> May – Muslim Eid assembly
- Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May – 2pm – Country Dancing Show to parents
- Monday 26<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May – Summer half-term
- Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June - INSET
- Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June – children return
- W/C 9<sup>th</sup> June – Year One Phonics Screening Check
- W/C 9<sup>th</sup> June – Year Four Multiplication Tables Check
- Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> June – 9am – Red Squirrel Class assembly
- Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June – 9am – Beaver Class assembly
- W/C Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June – Year Six residential
- W/C 25<sup>th</sup> June – Year Six secondary transition day
- Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June – GRT History Month assembly
- Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June – 9am – prospective parents' tour
- Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July – new classes
- Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July – 9am – Fox Class assembly

### 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.

EYFS

KS1

LKS2

UKS2



School success starts  
with attendance

### Weekly Attendance

Brown Bears –97.22%

Fox –90.4%

Beaver –98.52%

Red Kite –98.3%

Red Squirrel –98.52%

Dormouse –98.1%

Badger – 99.23% **Winner**

Otter –97.0%

Grey Wolf –98.5%



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.



# Should I keep my child off school?



## Yes

### Until...

Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

## No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek



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### Advice and guidance

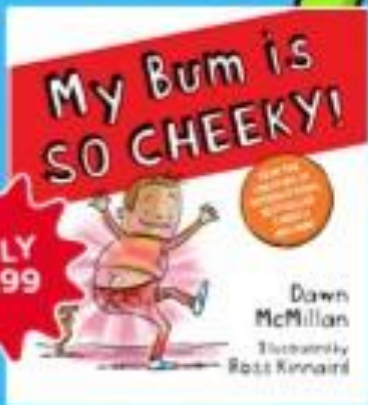
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Date:

Week Commencing 11<sup>th</sup> March 2025

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2019**

**Autism specific workshops from your local award - winning ASSIST team!**

For information about any of the following workshops, or to book a place, please contact:

[ASSISTWorkshops@wokingham.gov.uk](mailto:ASSISTWorkshops@wokingham.gov.uk)

ASSIST, Children's Services, Wokingham Borough Council  
Woodley Airfield Centre, Hurricane Way, Woodley RG5 4UX

**Workshops appear in date order & will be repeated Autumn 2025**

Day time workshops are offered in-person at the Woodley Airfield Centre, Hurricane Way, Woodley, RG5 4UX, the cost of each workshop is per adult.

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Evening workshops are usually via Microsoft Teams', the cost is per email address.

Parents		Professionals	
Carers	<b>£10.00</b>	Practitioners	<b>£40.00</b>
Autistic individuals		Others	

Free parking at the Airfield Centre – Refreshments will be available

The workshops are only suitable for adult learning



## **Autism understanding & acceptance** (at Woodley Airfield Centre)

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2025

**9.30am start, workshop concludes at 12 noon** (Registration opens 9.15am)

Build your understanding of autism – the 'hidden' disability including language, social interaction, sensory issues, anxieties and discuss some strategies and tools that might help and support autistic individuals to make sense of the world around them.

## **Supporting autistic individuals to understand and self-manage emotions & feelings (including anger)** (at Woodley Airfield Centre)

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2025

**9.30am start, workshop concludes at 12 noon** (Registration opens 9.15am)

Build a deeper understanding of autism and consider how autistic people can be supported to understand their own and others' emotions (feelings) including anger and so support the development of self-management strategies.

'This was so interesting and insightful – the best training I have ever had on autism, I am now really motivated and inspired.'

## **Supporting Siblings** (at Woodley Airfield Centre)

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2025

**9.30 start, workshop concludes at 12 noon** (Registration opens 9.15am)

An opportunity to explore the impact on siblings of having an autistic brother or sister. We discuss the difficulties that this can bring as well as the benefits. Included within the workshop are lots of practical strategies and ideas that may be helpful in supporting siblings to understand autism, cope with their experiences and feel valued for who they are.

## **Creating and using visual supports including social scripts, drawing whilst talking** (at Woodley Airfield Centre)

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2025

**9.30am start, workshop concludes at 12 noon** (Registration opens 9.15am)

An intervention using a variety of visuals which can help support development and improved understanding of social events and expectations in a given situation. You will have the opportunity to create and practice using visual supports in your environment.

'This has been the BEST training I have attended, and definitely the best autism training, I really enjoyed the session!'

## **EVENING ONLINE WORKSHOP!**

### **Supporting autistic individuals to understand and self-manage emotions & feelings (including anger)**

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2025

**7pm prompt start, workshop concludes at 9pm** (MS Teams presentation)

Build a deeper understanding of autism and consider how autistic people can be supported to understand their own and others' emotions (feelings) including anger and so support the development of self-management strategies.

I just wanted to let you know that the workshop was so helpful - I have already used it to help my son. It was really well presented and opened my eyes further to how different minds work.

### **Autism specific workshop on sexual development and puberty**

(at Woodley Airfield Centre)

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2025

**9.30am start, workshop concludes at 12 noon** (Registration open 9.15am)

An opportunity to discuss and develop your understanding of the physical and emotional changes at puberty, then how to prepare and support autistic individuals to manage these changes.

Exploration of the concept 'public, private and personal safety'.

**Participants must understand that there will be discussion and visual materials that are of an explicit nature relevant to the subject**

### **Please note when booking your workshop:**

**'What is autism' is covered in depth in the autism understanding & acceptance workshop only.**

**For all other workshops** - it is important that you have a basic understanding and knowledge of autism either through your own experience or because you have already attended an autism understanding workshop, as 'what is autism' is not covered in depth.

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- **Bracknell** | St Margaret's Primary
- **Woodley** | South Lake Primary School
- **Slough** | Claycots School (Townhall Campus)

## FOOTBALL CAMPS

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- **Woodley** | Woodford Park 3G
- **Caversham** | Thameside Primary School
- **Wokingham** | Floreat Montague Park

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## Wokingham Mental Health Support Team (MHST)

### Helping your Child with Fears and Worries Online Parent Group Programme A Guided Self-Help Approach



**Learn coping strategies to help your child manage anxiety.**

Is your child between 5-12 years of age and facing difficulties with anxiety?



This group parent programme will enable you to understand what is causing your child's worries and to carry out evidence based, step-by-step practical strategies that you can use at home to support your child in order for them to overcome problems with anxiety.

The programme aims to support parents to work through the accompanying book *Helping Your Child with Fears and Worries: A self-help guide for parents (2nd Edition)*.



#### Course Outline

- Introductory assessment phone call
- 5 x 90 minute online group sessions on Wednesdays 26th February, 5th, 12th, 19th March and 2nd April, 9:30 - 11:00am.
- Useful handouts for each session.

**To book a place on the course please return completed**

**referral form circulated with this flyer to:**

**[MHSTAdmin@wokingham.gov.uk](mailto:MHSTAdmin@wokingham.gov.uk)**

**by 5th February 2025**



# COMPETITION

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The competition  
runs from  
Monday, 20  
January until  
Monday, 24  
February

# Have some serious fun on bikes

Spring  
half term  
2025

## Sign up for a Bikeability course

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Prospect Park

Learn to ride

17 Feb  
0930-1045  
1100 - 1215  
1330 - 1445

18 Feb  
0900 - 1015  
1030 - 1145  
1315 - 1430

20 Feb  
1000 - 1115  
1130 - 1245  
1400 - 1515

Highdown School

Level 1 & 2

18-19 Feb  
All day

Level 3

20 Feb  
0930 - 1500

Woodford Park

Level 1 & 2

17-18 Feb  
All day

Jocks Lane  
Bracknell  
Level 1 & 2

18-19 Feb  
All day



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