



# BEARWOOD NEWS

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2023

Dear Families

Welcome back for the new Spring term. I hope you all enjoyed a wonderful break. The children have started back refreshed and straight into their learning - absolutely fantastic!

This week has been a short one. Red Squirrel Class presented their assembly to parents yesterday. It was great to hear all the things they have been learning about so far this year, in many different subjects. Next week, Fox Class will present their assembly to the parents of their class.

We have lots of exciting things planned for this term. We will soon send you a notice for our first Parent Forum meeting, when parents will be invited to come into school to meet senior members of staff and governors, and find out about what we are doing to make Bearwood even better - continuing to build on our many strengths.

Happy New Year!

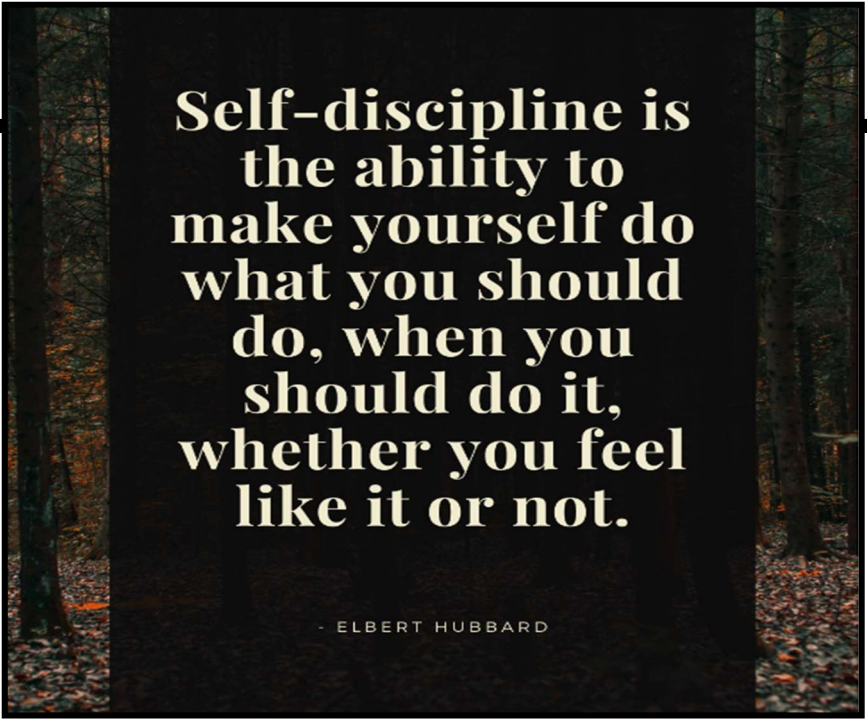
Best wishes

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Value for the term –

Self-Discipline



**Self-discipline is  
the ability to  
make yourself do  
what you should  
do, when you  
should do it,  
whether you feel  
like it or not.**

- ELBERT HUBBARD

## Office Notices

### Growth Mindset Awards

Growth Mindset Awards will not be announced this week due to the short week.

### Sports Star Awards

Sports Star Awards will not be announced this week due to the short week.

### IMPORTANT dates to remember

- Tues 10<sup>th</sup> Jan – Year 5/6 Trip to London Museum
- Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> Jan – Fox Class Assembly
- Tues 17<sup>th</sup> Jan – 9am – Year 1 Phonics' Workshop for Parents
- Wed 18<sup>th</sup> Jan – Chinese New Year Assembly
- Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> Jan – Dormouse Class Assembly
- Tues 24<sup>th</sup> Jan – Year 1 Trip to Reading Museum
- Tues 24<sup>th</sup> Jan – Citizen's Advice Mobile Unit (Onsite) 2-3.30pm
- Thurs 26<sup>th</sup> Jan – Otter Class Assembly
- Fri 27<sup>th</sup> Jan – 9am - Prospective Parent Tour



Do you have any spare time to help us with our school trips? We are looking to increase our list of parent helpers.

Please email the school office.

**Thank you in advance for your support.**



### Spring Term Clubs

**Payment is now due.** Please log on to your Tucasi account to pay your fee.

Thank you!

Every day  
COUNTS!



School success starts  
with attendance

### Weekly Attendance

Bear Cubs- 86.7%

Brown Bear – 92.3%

Beaver – 96.1%

Rabbit –100% Winners 🏆

Otter – 89.9%

Grey Wolf – 98.5%

Red Squirrel – 93.8%

Dormouse – 95.4%

Fox – 96.3%

Wolverine –81.1%

Hedgehog – 90.5%

Pine Marten – 93.3%



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**



A huge well done to Funtastic Kids at Bearwood for winning the annual Funtastic Kids Christmas Challenge!

Well Done!



## Funtastic Kids Wrap Around Care

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Congratulations to our Bearwood Wrap Around Care Club for winning our Christmas Challenge! 🎄

Their brilliant gingerbread house design received a fantastic 61 votes.

Keep Hatch was a close second 🥈 (55 votes) and Emmbrook's gingerbread village design came third 🥉 (50 votes).

Thank you to everyone that voted and well done to all the children for their hard work and creativity!

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**FREE TO  
ENTER**



# uSports

**3RD FEBRUARY**

**WOODFORD PARK LEISURE CENTRE 3G PITCH  
WOODLEY, READING | RG5 4LY**

**USPORTS INTER SCHOOL**

# FOOTBALL



**TOURNAMENT**

**YEAR 5 & 6**

**MIXED BOYS & GIRLS | MAX OF 7 PER TEAM**

**MULTIPLE TEAMS WELCOME PER SCHOOL | SPECTATORS WELCOME OUTSIDE THE 3G FENCING**

**TO ENTER | EMAIL [NICOLE@U-SPORTS.CO.UK](mailto:nicole@u-sports.co.uk)**



## **Schools Learning Alliance Administrating Officer**



**25 hours per week Term Time Only**

**Grade 5 SCP 12–17 FTE £24,496- £26,844**

**Pro rata payable £13,731-£14,764**

The Schools Learning Alliance (SLA) is a group of Wokingham and Reading Primary and Secondary schools who collaborate and facilitate a school led improvement system.

This alliance originally started with 3 schools and has grown to 35 schools. The work of the SLA includes:

- School Challenge
- Subject networks
- School improvement networks and action research
- Sharing practices and approaches to improve outcomes for children
- Headteacher mentorship programme
- School Business Managers network

The alliance of schools needs an **Administrating Officer** to co-ordinate the tasks and projects, including administration and reporting as appropriate. Other duties will include:

- Meet with leaders of the SLA to plan activities
- Preparing and circulating agendas, papers and minutes
- Monitoring attendance
- Accurate and efficient maintenance of records on TEAMS
- Provide induction for new members
- Liaise with stakeholders between meetings
- Update projects and schedules of work
- Carry out other reasonable duties to support the work of the alliance

We can offer a truly supportive team and a thorough induction into the role.

If you have any questions about the role, please do not hesitate to contact the Headteacher of Hillside Primary School, Mrs Nicola Morris 0118 975 5771

To apply for this position, please contact [admin@hillside.wokingham.sch.uk](mailto:admin@hillside.wokingham.sch.uk)

**Closing date: Thursday 12 January 2023 at midday**

**Shortlisting: Thursday 12 January 2023**

**Interviews: Friday 20 January 2023 from 9:00am**

*We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expect all staff to share this commitment. Any offer of employment is subject to satisfactory references and enhanced DBS checks.*



**Do you have a 5-19 year old?**  
If you could do with some advice or support, we can help with all kinds of things like:

- Bullying
- Dealing with medical conditions in school
- Healthy eating
- Bedwetting
- Behaviour
- Emotional health & wellbeing
- Parenting
- Sleep

Text a school nurse in confidence  
**07312 263194**

 [cypf.berkshirehealthcare.nhs.uk/school-nursing](http://cypf.berkshirehealthcare.nhs.uk/school-nursing) 

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## Chat Health Social Media

Chat Health - A confidential & anonymous text messaging service for parents/carers and young people.

Run by our Specialist Community Public Health Nurses – Health Visitors & School Nurses and their team.

[School Nursing | Children Young People and Families Online Resource \(berkshirehealthcare.nhs.uk\)](http://berkshirehealthcare.nhs.uk/school-nursing)

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