



BEARWOOD NEWS

Friday 4th October 2024

Dear Families

The weather is certainly very autumnal now. Please do remember to send your children into school with their coats every day, so the children can enjoy playtimes without feeling too cold.

This week, the children experienced a special presentation from Cari Weston from the Bilingual Club. Cari is offering a Spanish lunchtime club. Further information has been sent home. Do sign your child up if you would like them to attend.

Some of our KS1 children got to represent the school in tag-rugby at South Lake School. They had a great time. Thank you to Miss Lloyd for accompanying the children.

Many of our Year Four children got to start their swimming lessons at The Forest School this week. They were all so disappointed when we had to cancel the lesson last week due to the torrential rain.

The children are all looking smart in their school uniforms for their individual photographs this morning. I am sure you will be very pleased when you see them.

Have a lovely weekend.

Funmi Alder

Headteacher

Value for the term –

Respect



**Dignity is about showing
self-respect and having
quiet self-esteem.**



MHST Coffee Morning



Wednesday 16th October 2024 at 9am

In the school hall

Concerned about
your child's anxiety,
worries or behaviour?

Want to find out more
about how to support
your child's emotional
wellbeing?

You are invited to a coffee morning to meet Rachael Neville, Bearwood's link Education Mental Health Practitioner (EMHP).

Rachael will

- introduce the work of the MHST
- explain what signs to look for in children
- talk about the support available from MHST
- explain how to make a referral



Office Notices

Growth Mindset Awards

Reception - Morrison
Fox – Reign
Beaver – Ollie
Red Kite – Olly
Red Squirrel – Isla
Dormouse – Rowan
Badger – Jenson
Otter – Omreyansh
Grey Wolf - Alicia

Sports Star Awards

Fox – Wayne
Beaver – Florence
Red Kite – Akira
Red Squirrel – Izaan
Dormouse – Freya
Badger – Harveen
Otter – No awards this week.
Grey Wolf – No awards this week.



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

LKS2 Winners – Dormouse 360 points

UKS2 Winners – Badger 332 points



Scientist of the week!

LKS2 – Reinhard

UKS2 – Yehya

Performer of the week!

Our first KS1 performer for the year was Salena in Year 2. She beautifully sang Part of Your World from The Little Mermaid. Salena shared that she'd love to be mermaid. Well Salena, on Wednesday you were a gorgeous mermaid, and you dazzled your audience with your wonderful singing!

Well done



IMPORTANT

dates to remember

- Wednesday 9th October – Chiltern Trip – Dormouse Class
- Monday 14th October – Chiltern Trip – Red Kite & Red Squirrel Class
- Wednesday 16th October – 9am Coffee Morning with Rachael Neville (MHST)
- Thursday 17th October – PTA Autumn Disco Ball
- Friday 18th October – 9am – Prospective Parents' Tour
- Tuesday 22nd October – 3:45 to 6:15pm – Parents' Evening
- Thursday 24th October – BHM Assembly
- Thursday 24th October – 4:30 to 7pm – Parents' Evening
- Friday 25th October – International Attire Day
- Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November – Autumn half-term
- Monday 4th November - INSET
- Tuesday 5th November – Children Return
- Monday 11th November – Remembrance Assembly
- W/C 11th November – Anti-Bullying Week
- 11th & 12th November – Year Six Bikeability
- ~~Wednesday 13th November~~ – 9am – Reception Parents' Phonics & Reading Workshop **(Date Change – Tuesday 14th October) – See email**
- Thursday 14th November – Diwali Assembly
- Friday 15th November – Children in Need
- W/C 18th November – Maths Week
- Tuesday 26th November – 1:30pm – Prospective Reception Parents' Afternoon
- Wednesday 27th November – 9:30am – Prospective Reception Parents' Morning
- Thursday 28th November – 5pm – Prospective Reception Parents' Evening
- Thursday 28th November – 7pm – PTA Christmas Wreath Making Workshop
- Friday 29th November – 9am – Prospective Parents' Tour
- Saturday 30th November – 10am to 12pm – Prospective Reception Parents' Open Morning drop-in
- Tuesday 10th December – EYFS Nativity play to parents **(Date Change)**
- Thursday 12th December – Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas lunch
- Friday 13th December – 9am – Prospective Parents' Tour
- Tuesday 17th December – 9:30am – KS1 Christmas Play to Parents
- Wednesday 18th December – 2pm – KS1 Christmas Play to Parents
- Thursday 19th December – pm – Class Christmas Parties
- Friday 20th December - attendance medals assembly
- Friday 20th December – last day of Autumn term – 2pm finish
- Monday 6th January – INSET

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 – 88.7%

Fox – 98.52%

Beaver – 96.33%

Red Kite – 99.17%

Red Squirrel – 93.91%

Dormouse – 99.3% - **Winner!**

Badger – 96.15%

Otter – 93.45%

Grey Wolf – 98.33%



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.

Free School Meals



Are you entitled?

Free school meals and extra funding for your child's education

Across the UK more than 10 per cent of pupils who are eligible for free school meals do not register to get them.

We want to make sure 100 per cent of our pupils claim when they can in Wokingham Borough.

Importantly, it also means schools can get additional funding to support pupils.

To qualify, your child must be in school and you must be receiving one of the following benefits:

- [Income support](#)
- Income based [Job Seekers Allowance](#)
- Income related [Employment and Support Allowance](#)
- [NASS support](#)
- Guarantee element of [State Pension](#)
- [Child Tax Credit](#), provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190
- [Working Tax Credit](#) for the four weeks after employment ends
- [Universal Credit](#), provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400

If this applies to you but your child isn't registered for free school meals, complete a form and return it to your child school.

[Download the form and apply for Free School Meals](#) on Wokingham Borough Council's website.



We have 8 of the attached children's stools available if anyone is interested.

The dimensions are H 52cm x W 32cm.



KS1 are looking for outdoor toys (good condition) and donations of bulbs/plants.

KS2 are looking for board games for wet play.

Many thanks in advance.



Due to boiler issues in the school kitchen we will not be able to provide a hot school lunch next week. We will be offering a choice of sandwiches to the children either Cheese or Ham. Please do encourage your children to bring in a packed lunch from home if possible.

We will update you as soon as the technical issues have been resolved.

Many thanks

Bilingua Sing

Love Learning Languages

Multi-Award
Winning!

FREE Spanish Halloween session

Thursday 31st October, 10am



A fun, **FREE** Spanish song and craft session – suitable for ages 4–8

Find out more about Día de los Muertos / Day of the Dead and have some fun!

Bracknell Library, RG12 1BH

Learning a second language has a whole range of developmental benefits for your child:



It boosts
their brain
power



It enhances
their speech
development



It increases
their self-
confidence



Suitable for ages 4–8

No knowledge of Spanish needed – everything will be in English too!

“

No need to book – just turn up!
Suitable for children aged 4–8 years

”

cari@bilinguasing.com

BOOK NOW



Camp Starts at 9am
Drop Off From 8:30am
5-12 Year Olds to 3pm

£25 Per Day

4 Year Olds to 1pm

£19.50 Per Day

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Google Reviews


Ofsted
Registered



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BEARWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

MULTI-SPORTS HOLIDAY CAMP

Online Parent Workshop for Supporting Children with Anxiety

Wed 6th Nov | 9:30-10:45 | Wed 13th Nov | 18:00-19:15

Concerned that your primary school aged child may be struggling with anxiety or low mood? Is your child showing signs of:

- Avoiding activities they need or want to do
- Difficulty thinking, concentrating or making decisions
- Low confidence and giving up easily
- Change in eating or sleeping habits
- Unexplained tiredness, stomach-aches or headaches
- Withdrawing from previously enjoyed activities
- Persistent tearfulness or irritability



Come along to the Mental Health Support Team's online parent workshop for tips on what to look out for and simple tools and ideas for supporting your child.

To book, please email the Mental Health Support Team, stating name of school your child/young person attends and which session you would like to join.

at MHSTAdmin@wokingham.gov.uk



SCAN FOR
MORE DETAILS

EASTHAMPSTEAD PARK

Christmas 2024

Festive Lunch & Dinner

Available daily throughout December
between 12pm-2pm or 6pm-9pm

Festive Afternoon Tea

Available daily throughout
December between 2pm-5pm

Private Christmas Parties

For 80-120 guests
7pm-Midnight
The Downshire Ballroom

Christmas Day Lunch

25th December 2024
12pm-3pm

Boxing Day Brunch

26th December 2024
11am-3pm

Party In The Stars

Themed Christmas Parties
In the all-new King Suite!
From 6:30pm-12:30am



BEARWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Why Bearwood?

Bearwood Primary School is a dynamic, exciting learning community with dedicated, passionate staff committed to ensuring the absolute best for all our children.



Our Foundation Stage

At Bearwood Primary our foundation stage caters for children age 3-5 with an emphasis on learning through play and exploration.

Come and see what makes us different! Contact the school office to book a place on our upcoming open days and tours!



Tuesday 26th Nov—1.30pm

Wednesday 27th Nov—9.30am

Thursday 28th Nov—5pm

Saturday 30th Nov—10am-12pm
Drop in session



Bearwood Primary School
Bearwood Road
Wokingham
RG41 5BB

0118 978 4628
admin@bearwood-pri.wokingham.sch.uk



“Children get off to a strong start in the early years. This is because there are high expectations for their learning and behaviour from the beginning of their school life.”

Ofsted

“We do so much fun learning, I love when I play and learn with all of my friends”

Reception Child



“Children had high levels of co-regulation, sharing and working alongside other children”

LA Advisor

**Are you looking for a Reception Class place for 2025?
Is your child turning 3 and you're looking for a nursery place?**

Contact Bearwood Primary School now to come to one of our tours or open days!





WHAT IS PROMISE INCLUSION'S OUTREACH SERVICE?

IDENTIFYING SUPPORT FOR CARERS OF THOSE
WITH LEARNING DISABILITIES AND /OR AUTISM

- EMOTIONAL SUPPORT**-IF YOU ARE IN CRISIS, UPSET OR JUST NEED TO TALK.
- EMERGENCY PLANS**- WE CAN OFFER CARERS CARDS AND HELP SUPPORT YOU IN MAKING EMERGENCY PLANS AND ASSIST IN REFERRALS FOR CARERS' NEEDS ASSESSMENTS.
- SIGNPOSTING**-CONNECTING YOU WITH SERVICES PROVIDED BY PROMISE INCLUSION AND OTHER ORGANISATIONS AND PROFESSIONALS.
- MEETING SUPPORT**-CONNECTING YOU WITH LOCAL CARERS GROUPS.
- FORM FILLING**-HELPING COMPLETE FORMS FOR BENEFITS/HOUSING/SUPPORT/SERVICES.

We offer coffee mornings, evening groups, events and trips for carers to take a break, socialise and receive support from new friends who understand their situation.

PHONE US: 0300 777 8539 EMAIL:MAXINE@PROMISEINCLUSION.ORG





Monthly Carers Events

Drop in sessions- for support & advice

1st Wednesday-Carers walk at Dinton/meet at showcase carpark -10.00am

1st Thursday-Henry Street Garden Centre, RG2 9JY- 1.00-3.00pm

3rd Friday- Finchampstead Baptist Church Centre 1.00-3.00pm.

Last Thursday-.Loddon Valley Leisure Centre, Lower Earley 10.30-12.00pm

Daytime groups

1st Tuesday-Carers Club Shinfield, School Green Centre RG2 9EH-9.30-11.30am

2nd Wednesday-Carers Club Wokingham, Bradbury Centre-10.00-12.00pm

3rd Tuesday - Carers Club Woodley, Coronation Hall-1.30-3.30pm

Evening groups

2nd Thursday-Evening Carers Group, Bosco Lounge Woodley-6.30-8.30pm

Last Wednesday-Evening Carers Group, Sederio Lounge Wokingham-6.30-8.30pm



PPROMISE
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Local Offer Live 2024

Family Information Day for those in Wokingham Borough with a child or young person 0-25 years with any Special Educational Needs &/or Disability

Saturday 12th October
10.30 – 12.30pm or 1pm – 3pm

St Crispin's School Leisure Centre,
London Road, Wokingham, RG40 1SR

- Information & Advice Stalls
- Berkshire Reptile Encounters
- Circus Skills • Face Painting
- Tea/coffee/squash/cake



Book your **FREE** ticket on Ticketsource:
<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/send-voices-wokingham>



More information on our website:
www.sendvoiceswokingham.org.uk
or email: info@sendvoiceswokingham.org.uk

Many thanks to St Crispin's School for supporting this event

Little Sips BIG ADVENTURES

Dear parent/guardian,

As you may be aware your child's school has a milk scheme, administered by Cool Milk. Mid-morning milk provides a much-needed nutritional boost and keeps children hydrated between breakfast and lunch. Children receive free milk until the age of 5. After that, they can continue to reap the benefits of fresh mid-morning milk at a subsidised* cost.

If you'd like to opt in and have not already done so, simply register your child at www.coolmilk.com/register. Your child(ren) will continue to receive free milk whilst under the age of 5 and Cool Milk will get in touch with further information by email shortly before their 5th birthday.

For children who are already over 5, it's not too late – our scheme is flexible! As well as being able to register and make payment straight away, you can join and cancel the scheme at any time. We offer yearly, termly and half termly payment periods and a recurring payment option to give you one less thing to remember.

If you already have an online Cool Milk account for a sibling, you can manage your account, make payment and add extra children by logging in at www.coolmilk.com/parents.

Should you have any questions or need any help, send us a message at www.coolmilk.com/contact or give us a call on the number listed below – we're here to help!

Kind regards,

Cool Milk

☎: 0800 321 3248

🌐: www.coolmilk.com



SCAN TO REGISTER

*Milk for under-5s is fully funded by DHSC via the Nursery Milk Scheme. Milk for over-5s is subsidised by Defra via the School Milk Scheme.



**Citizens Advice will be at:
Bearwood Primary School**

**Thursday 7th November
between 2pm and 3:30pm**

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



flu: 5 reasons to vaccinate your child



1. Protect your child

The vaccine will help protect your child against flu and serious complications such as bronchitis and pneumonia

2. Protect you, your family and friends

Vaccinating your child will help protect more vulnerable friends and family

3. No injection needed

The nasal spray is painless and easy to have

4. It's better than having flu

The nasal spray helps protect against flu, has been given to millions of children worldwide and has an excellent safety record

5. Avoid costs

If your child gets flu, you may have to take time off work or arrange alternative childcare

Most children have the nasal spray vaccine which is the preferred vaccine. A vaccine injection is also available which does not contain gelatine from pigs (porcine gelatine).

For more information visit
www.nhs.uk/child-flu

Flu **i**mmunisation

Helping to protect children, every winter



Funtastic Kids

October Half Term Holiday Camps!

Childcare from £3 an hour

Open across Berkshire

Monday 28th October - Friday 1st November*

**Dates and activities may vary according to location.*

What's on offer:

Autumn themed timetables: Woodland Wonderland, Bonfire Bonanza & Spooky Spectacular

Creative activities: arts & crafts, drama, science & baking!

Energetic sports: archery, new age kurling, badminton, dance & more!

"The providers are passionate about delivering high-quality childcare, which meets the needs of all children at their clubs."

– Ofsted, Falkland Holiday Camp, August 2024



**Ages 4 - 13
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