



BEARWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear UKS2 families,

We are already through one whole term of successful learning in classes. I thank you for your continued support so far as we navigate through the beginning term of the year. This letter will address a few points that have arisen so far this year in school and during parents' evening.

Trip to Ure Museum of Greek Archaeology

Firstly, thank you to everyone who has already paid for our trip to the Ure Museum on 19th (Grey Wolf and Otter) and 21st November (Badger). Please make sure to do so as soon as possible – the trip will be a fantastic opportunity for pupils to experience Ancient Greek artefacts by hand!

School Uniform

We have noticed many pupils in UKS2 classes coming into school with the incorrect uniform. All pupils are expected to adhere to the uniform policy, so as a reminder, all pupils must wear:

School Uniform	PE Uniform
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • White shirt or polo shirt • Navy school sweatshirt or cardigan • Grey trousers, <u>knee-length</u> skirt* or pinafore dress. • Grey/black socks • Black school shoes or all black trainers • <u>A coat – as it is getting cold!</u> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gold School PE t-shirt • Plain navy tracksuit or jogging bottoms (<u>not leggings</u>) • All black plimsolls or trainers

* Many girls are coming into school with skirts rolled-up or pulled above knee-height. Please remind your children about the appropriate length!

A reminder as well that jewelry (except stud earrings) and make-up should not be worn to school. Pupils should also not be bringing in any of their own stationery or other items from home. As is always the case in schools, jumpers or cardigans are often left outside or elsewhere so we would recommend labelling these!

Please let us know if there is a reason why your child is not wearing correct uniform. If pupils are consistently not wearing school uniform, a slip will be sent home to remind parents. Thank you for your support with this!

Attendance

We have also noticed that many children have been arriving increasingly later in the mornings. I appreciate that drop-off times may be different for parents due to their schedules. However, we would encourage all pupils to be in promptly for 8.45am. Pupils are completing morning activities from 8.35am and any pupils arriving late will miss out on extra, important practice – especially in Year 6.



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Homework

Please remind pupils to complete their homework. These are:

- Read for 20 minutes every day.
- Complete set tasks on Spelling Shed at least 3 times a week.
- Complete set tasks on Times Tables Rock Stars or Mathletics 3 times a week.

It has been wonderful to see so many pupils completing the optional homework activities last term. A new homework grid has been e-mailed with this letter!

At parents' evening, many parents asked me about extra support they can give their child at home for writing. As always, reading a wide range of books is the **best** way to improve a pupil's writing and vocabulary. For extra practice in writing texts, I would recommend www.pobble.com/. You can sign up for free and get a ready-made writing prompt each day for pupils to practise from!

We look forward to another successful and exciting term. As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact myself or a member of the team.

Kind regards,

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