



BEARWOOD NEWS

Friday 3rd March 2023

Dear Families

Well, we have certainly had a fantastic week! UKS2 started it off with an exciting Victorian experience day. Children dressed up, and role played being in a Victorian classroom with a good old-fashioned teacher - there was no nonsense - the children were to be seen and not heard! The children also got to find out other interesting facts about the Victorian era. Do be sure to look at the photographs on the school website.

World Book Day on Thursday was a tremendous success. It was great to see everyone dressed up - including the staff. Classes joined together for shared reading, with some classes in our newly re-organised library - which was wonderful. There was a real buzz of excitement around the school. Bearwood indeed felt like a very special place to be. You will find lots of photographs on the school website. Next week, we will have the Scholastic Book Fair come to visit. Do be sure to come and look at the books on offer one day after school.

Thank you to all parents who attended your child's parents' evening appointment. I hope you found the meeting with your child's class teacher helpful, and that you feel better informed on how you can also support your child at home. If you did not get a chance to meet your child's class teacher, please do arrange a time via the school office, or catch up with your child's teacher at home time.

Do have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes

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Value for the term –

Respect



Office Notices

Growth Mindset Awards

Beaver – Tanwir
Rabbit – Kiana
Otters – Lauryane
Grey Wolf – Aarohi
Red Squirrel – Harveen
Fox – Amber
Dormouse – Christopher
Pine Marten – Delilah
Hedgehog – Susan
Wolverine – Madison

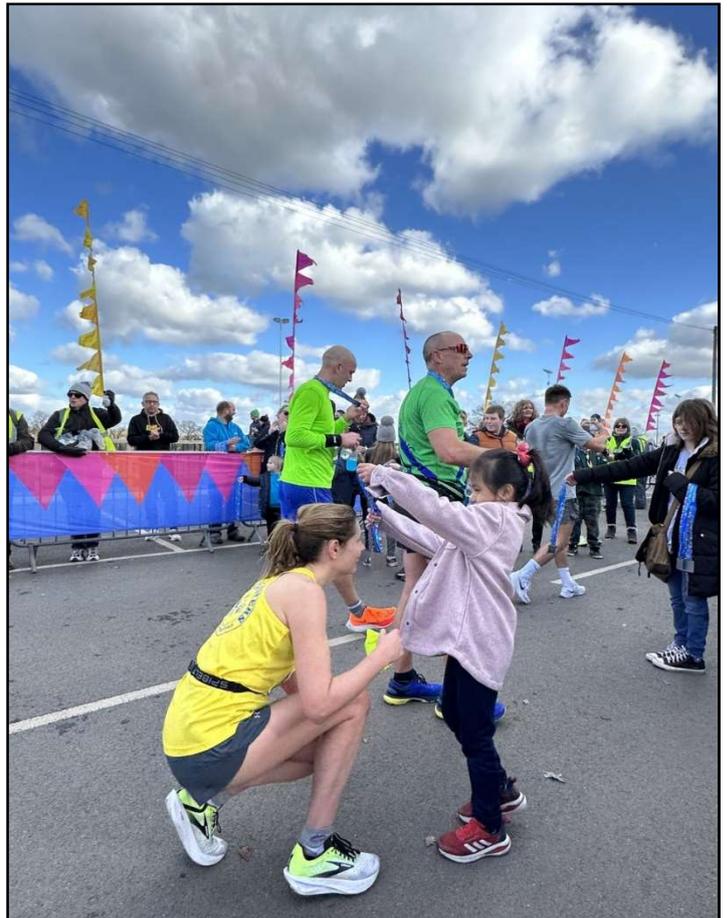
Sports Star Awards

Beaver – Alana
Rabbit – Olivia
Otters – Advik
Grey Wolf – Izyan
Red Squirrel – Sakina
Fox – Brooke
Dormouse – Alex
Pine Marten – Ronnie
Hedgehog – Rayan
Wolverine – Marcos

IMPORTANT dates to remember

- Tues 7th March – Tues 14th March – Book Fair
- Wed 8th March – Year 3/4 Chiltern Trip
- Wed 8th March – Fairtrade Workshop
- W/C 13th March – Science Week
- Thurs 16th March – Year 6 Parents' Meeting on SATs and Residential
- Fri 17th March - Comic Relief
- Tues 21st March -
- Wed 22nd March – Reception Walk in the woods
- Thurs 23rd March – Jewish Passover assembly
- Fri 24th March – 9am – Prospective Parent Tour
- Tues 28th March – Year 1 Trip to the zoo
- Wed 29th March – LKS2 production to Parents
- Thurs 30th March – Year 2 Heritage Workshop
- Fri 31st March – Last day of Spring term – Attendance medals – School closing at 2pm.

Superstars!



Katrick in Year 5 and Hanna in Year 3 did their first duty for 1st Arborfield Scout for Wokingham Half Marathon last Sunday. Kayla in Nursery also helped present the medals to the Winners.



If your child would like to star in our Newsletter. Please email the school office with a photo and a short description of their achievements.

Thank you



World Book Day

Please take a look at our class pages on our website to see our World Book Day photos.

Well done to everybody who made such a fantastic effort!

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.

Nursery

Reception

Year 1

Year 2

Years 3 and 4

Years 5 and 6

School Gallery

Colouring Competition



The Wokingham Borough Council Community Engagement Team with MY Journey would like you to take part in our art competition running until Friday 31 March 2023– you can use whatever you want to colour, either of the pictures, paint, crayon, glitter, pasta, materials - take a picture and send it to MyJourney@wokingham.gov.uk along with your name, age and school to be entered into a prize draw, the winner is drawn at random and our decision is final. This event is sponsored by TESCO. Please find the colouring pages attached to **this newsletter**.



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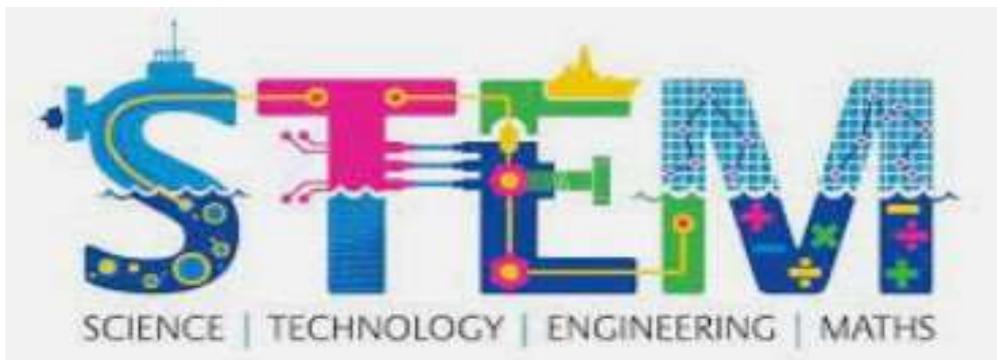
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highway
services for
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Borough's
residents

A message from Wokingham Highways Alliance

We're updating our Local Transport Plan, an official document guiding how we make all kinds of improvements to footways, cycle lanes, roads and other transport networks as we face the challenges of the decades to come.

This will offer more ways of getting around and more chances to leave the car at home, especially for shorter journeys, helping us to reduce air pollution and traffic congestion, tackle the climate emergency and help you to live healthily.

The consultation for the Local travel plan is live [Project • A new Local Transport Plan for Wokingham Borough](#)



Calling all parents working in STEM!

In the week commencing 13th March 2023, we will be celebrating British Science Week and this year's theme is 'Connections.' Along with the exciting events we already have planned, we would love to hear from any parents who work in STEM and would be keen to come into school and share their experiences with the children. This would be a great opportunity to showcase how broad STEM careers can be and will open up exciting new doors for our children. If you are interested in coming into school or sending in a video message about your work in STEM, please email cparry@bearwood-pri.wokingham.sch.uk where we can discuss details further. Thank you.

Every day
COUNTS!



School success starts
 with attendance

Weekly Attendance

- Bear Cubs- 79.7%
- Brown Bear –92.7%
- Beaver –95.1%
- Rabbit –95.9%
- Otter –94.7%
- Grey Wolf –96%
- Red Squirrel –98.8%
- Dormouse –97.3%
- Fox – 93.5%
- Wolverine –97%
- Hedgehog –99.2% **Winners** 
- Pine Marten – 95.8%



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

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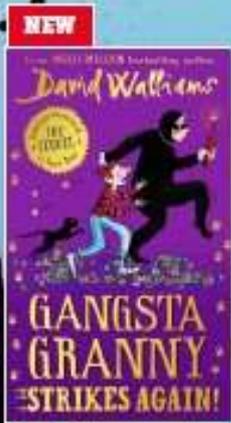
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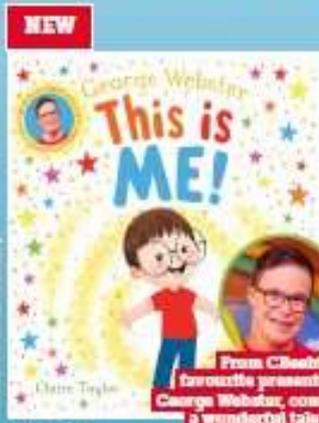
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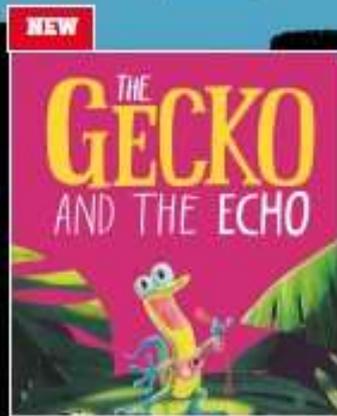
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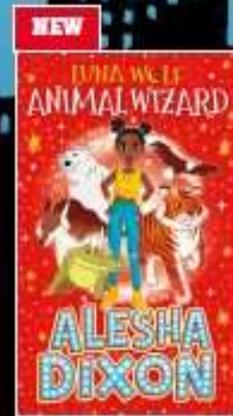
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*Free books are subject to terms and conditions. Please contact your Book Fair Organiser or Scholastic Book Fairs for details.

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Please note that the children will be bringing home a Book Token which can be redeemed in stores or at the Book Fair.

**Tuesday 7th March –
Tuesday 14th March**

Scan the QR code to pay online!



◆ **Thursday 16th March** ◆

Hosted by Bearwood PTA



Nearest & Dearest Day

£2 to take part

Buy a gift for someone special
Children are invited to spend their money
in the surprise room
One gift per child



Parentkind
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UNIVERSAL VOICES

Director: Dr Rebecca Berkley

BRING A BUDDY OPEN REHEARSAL

Wednesday 22nd March 2023, 16.00 – 17.30

University Great Hall, London Road Campus, RG1 5AQ

Come and sing with Universal Voices, the free children's community choir at the University of Reading - singing, games, laughter, fun and performance

Universal Voices is a community choir open to all boys and girls aged 7-12 in the Reading area. No auditions are necessary. We rehearse on Wednesdays in term time, 16.00 – 17.30, in Building L29 on the London Road Campus.

Universal Voices is free for all children, thanks to the generous support of our donors and the University Alumni and Supporter Engagement Office.

To book your child's free place at a rehearsal, please complete this [online registration form](#), or scan this QR code

You can also email universalvoices@reading.ac.uk



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PERFORMANCE



COMMUNITY

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tidy up



Winnersh Parish Council

Clean Up Day 2023

Meeting at St Marys Church, Church Close, Winnersh,
RG41 5NA on Sunday 26 March 2023 at 11am

Please come along and lend a hand but remember to
wear gloves, strong footwear and suitable clothing

Please bring along your own litter picker and Hi Vis if
you have them otherwise they can be provided while
stocks last

Refreshments will be provided

For further details please contact Winnersh Parish
Council on 01189 780244 or email
clerk@winnersh.gov.uk

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<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/pants-underwear-rule/>

What is Talk PANTS?

Talk Pants is a simple conversation to help keep children safe from sexual abuse. With the help of our friendly dinosaur, Pantosaurus, it helps children understand that their body belongs to them, and they should tell someone they trust if anything makes them feel upset or worried.



It's an easy, fun and friendly way to help with having these vital conversations. And hundreds of thousands of parents have used Talk PANTS with their children.