



BEARWOOD NEWS

Friday 15th March 2024

Dear Families

This week was launched with exciting science assemblies, led by Mr Bell as our Science Lead. As part of Science Week, two parents from science professions shared their experiences and knowledge with the KS2 children. Ms Marquis spoke to the LKS2 children about her work in the field of robotics. Mr Juna spoke to our UKS2 children about his work as a scientist in the field of electronics. We hope we have inspired many of our children to be tomorrow's scientists.

Continuing with the science theme, Pine Marten class and Hedgehog class both visited the Windsor Great Park Environmental Centre this week. They carried out biological field study work, investigating living things in various habitats and classifying them using keys. They also learnt lots of really fascinating information about the changes to our wildlife as a result of human development and climate change.

Miss Parry delivered an information meeting on the Year Four Multiplication Tables Check that all of our Year Four children will be doing in June. We hope the parents who attended found it useful. Do remember to get your children to practise on Times Tables Rock Stars - a bit each day would be great.

Last week Friday, we had a really exciting visit from Paralympic Nerys Pearce. It was phenomenal. There was a really tangible positive vibe around the whole school, as classes took turns to do their circuits in the hall. I thought it would be a brilliant way to start every week - that would really waken us all up and have us alert for learning for the rest of the week. Thank you to all the families who have been so generous with your sponsorship donations.

This morning is our last brilliant KS1 gymnastics enrichment session. The KS1 children have really enjoyed it.

We had LKS2 boys' and girls' football teams taking part in the uSports football tournament. Both teams did extremely well. Our

boys' team came second - losing only one match. Well done!
Thank you to Miss Davis and Mrs Fenton for accompanying the children.

On Sunday, our superb school choir performed in the WASMA concert at the Hexagon Theatre in Reading. We had 3 soloists - Oliver in Year Four, and Jasgeet and Gopika in Year Six. They sang beautifully. Some of our children also performed in dance routines - which is a first for our school. They also were brilliant, with clear rhythm. Thank you to Mrs Haden, Mrs Shaw, Mrs Tang and Mr Voss for your support of the children.

The Scholastic Book Fair has been in the hall each day straight after school. The last day to visit is Monday - up to 3:30pm.

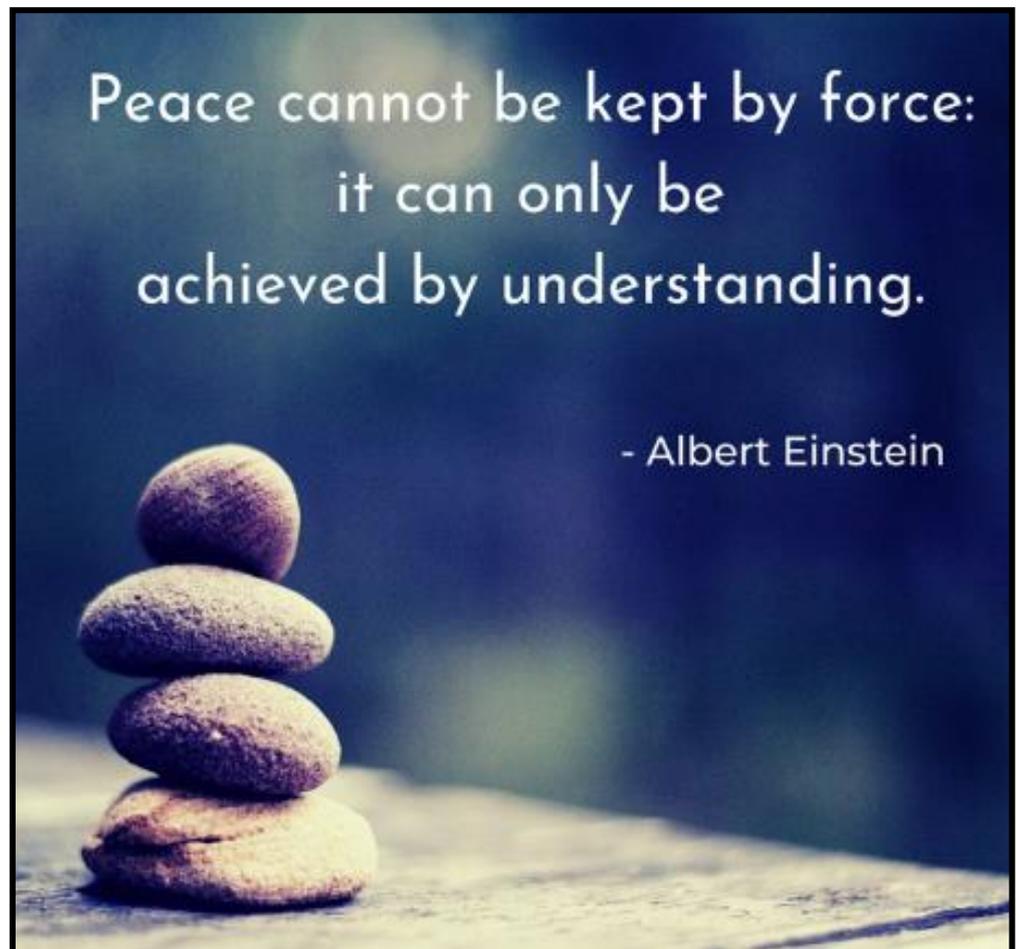
Today is Red Nose Day - it's great to see all the children dressed up for the day.

Best wishes

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Value for the term –

Peacefulness



Behaviour at Bearwood

This is our third feature explaining how we manage behaviour at Bearwood. This week, we will share some of the consequences that we select to implement and how they work.

The purpose of the consequences we use is to help children to learn and make pro-social choices. They are not selected or implemented to be 'punishments' in the traditional way. Each consequence is selected according to the child's specific needs.

One possible consequence is for a child to sit by themselves in the classroom. The purpose is to help the child to concentrate on their learning, and not distract other children. This consequence is usually for a short period of time, enables the child to also reflect, and enables the child to rejoin the class.

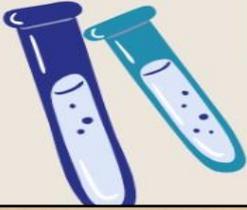
Another consequence is to spend time in another classroom. The purpose of this consequence is the same as the previous one. A child may still not be able to focus if they are in their own classroom, so having some time in another classroom may better support them. This consequence could also be implemented for a short time for a child who finds a particular lesson challenging, whilst we find other effective ways to enable the child to join in the lesson with their class.

For a child who may find playtimes particularly challenging, we may reduce their playtime or even replace it with an alternative activity such as completing a task or job. Again, this will be while we tried to address whatever difficulty the child was having with engaging in playtimes. This could be developing the child's social skills.

Another consequence we use is the restorative conversation. This usually follows an altercation. The children involved are guided in a structured restorative conversation. It enables each party to say how they felt or why they responded as they did. It helps to develop the children's emotional intelligence. The children agree to how damage to the relationship can be repaired to the satisfaction of all parties.

From our own internal data, we have found that the approaches we are taking has had a positive impact, with a reduction to the number of anti-social behaviour incidents being reported.

SCIENCE WEEK



Science Week has been a success! We have been so impressed with all the children that took part in experiments at home.

Also, a huge thank you to our Parent volunteers who have held an assembly this week.

Miss Marquis who on Wednesday encaptured the LKS2 children, talking about her incredible job in STEM working with robots!

Mr Juna who on Thursday held an assembly on electricity including looking at oscilloscopes.

The children have been really enjoyed becoming scientists this week.

Office Notices

Growth Mindset Awards

Rabbit – Remy
Otter – Kiana
Beaver – Lily + Vincent
Red Kite – Heidi
Fox – Shraddha
Dormouse – Isabela
Red Squirrel – Shravil
Hedgehog – Waleed
Pine Marten – Mustafa

Sports Star Awards

Rabbit – Hampton
Otter – Thomas
Beaver – Albert
Red Kite – Olivia
Fox - Toby
Dormouse – Omreyansh
Red Squirrel – Alex
Hedgehog – Cobie
Pine Marten – Gopika



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

LKS2 Winners – Fox Class 527points

UKS2 Winners – Red Squirrel 182 points



Scientist of the week!

LKS2 – Niki UKS2 – Poppy

Performer of the Week!

Oscar in Year 3 did a brilliant job at performing Castle on The Hill by Ed Sheeran this week. He knew the song word for word and had a great time!

Well done, Oscar.



IMPORTANT

dates to remember

- Tues 19th March – Red Squirrel Class Trip – Windsor Environmental Centre
- Wed 20th March – 5pm – Year 6 Parents' Meeting on SATs and residential
- Thurs 21st March – Jewish Passover Assembly
- Fri 22nd March – 9am – Prospective Parents Tour
- Tues 26th March – 9:30am – LKS2 production to parents
- Tues 26th March – Reception Public Transport Trip
- Wed 27th March – 2pm – LKS2 production to parents
- Thurs 28th March – Easter Bonnet Competition/Own Clothes Day £1 donation
- Thurs 28th March – Attendance Medals Assembly
- Thurs 28th March – Last day of term – 2pm finish
- Mon 15th April – Children Return
- Thurs 18th April – Vaisakhi Assembly
- Thurs 25th April – Red Kite Assembly
- Fri 26th April – 9am – Prospective Parents Tour
- Tues 30th April – LKS2 Roman Workshop
- Thurs 2nd May – EID Assembly
- Mon 6th May – Bank Holiday
- W/C 13th May – Year 6 SATs
- Thurs 23rd May – 9am - Beaver Class Assembly
- Fri 24th May – 2pm – Country Dancing Show to Parents
- Mon 27th May – Fri 31st May – Half Term
- Mon 3rd June – Children Return
- W/C 10th June – Year 1 Phonics Screen Check
- W/C 10th June – Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check
- Thurs 13th June – GRT History Month assembly
- W/C 17th June – Year 6 Residential
- Tues 18th June – Reception Trip – Bucklebury Farm
- Thurs 20th June – Otter Class Assembly
- W/C 24th June – Year 6 Secondary Transition Week
- Thurs 27th June – 9am – Rabbit Class Assembly
- Fri 28th June – 9am – Prospective Parents' Tour
- Wed 3rd July – New Classes
- Fri 5th July – Sports Day
- Mon 8th July – Reports Home
- Thurs 11th July – 3.30-5pm – Parents' Evening Drop-in
- Fri 12th July – 9am – Prospective Parents' Tour
- Tues 16th July – 2pm – Year 6 Production to Parents



**“THIS MORNING,
HE HAD A
RUNNY NOSE...
BUT LOOK AT
HIM NOW!”**

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**



HM Government

Search NHS school illness guidance to find out more.

NHS

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

Gallery



School success starts
with attendance

Weekly Attendance

RJ Koda –87.4%

RM Orsa –94.4%

Rabbit –95.2%

Otter –98.1%

Beaver –88.9%

Red Kite –94.8%

Dormouse – 98.5% Winners 🏆

Fox –93.7%

Red Squirrel –94.3%

Hedgehog –98.4%

Pine Marten –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.

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.

Easter Bonnet Competition on
Thursday 28th March
£1 to wear your own clothes along with your
Easter Bonnet!
Winner of the most imaginative design will
win a prize!

Easter Bonnet

Competition





Easter 2024

HOLIDAY CAMP



Multi Sports Camp

Bearwood Primary School

Wokingham RG41 5BB



£25 Per Day **£44** Per Week

5 to 12 Year Olds
9AM TO 3PM 8:30AM DROP OFF

£19.50 Per Day **£35** Per Week

4 Year Olds Only
9AM TO 1PM 8:30AM DROP OFF

10% Sibling Discount

20% Additional HAF Discount

For HAF Children To Book Additional Days On Top Of Free HAF Days



Week One

Wednesday 3rd April -
Thursday 4th April

Week Two

Wednesday 10th April -
Thursday 11th April



FREE HAF

Spaces Available

Book Via Holiday Activities On Our Website If Your Child Receives Pupil Premium Free School Meals

u-sports.co.uk/berkshire/wokingham-sports-camp



Reception Class Transport Trip Tuesday 26th March

Please don't forget to give your consent for the Reception Class Transport Trip, by logging on to your Arbor account.



LKS2 Plastic Pirates Performance

Please don't forget to order your tickets, via your Arbor account, for this performance. Please remember it is 2 tickets per family. If there are any spare tickets we will email you next week.

Year 6

Osmington Bay Payment Balance

The final payment will be due 25th March 2024, unfortunately we will not be able to accept any late payments.



Summer Term Extra Curricular Clubs

Please be reminded that the deadline to book your child's extra-curricular clubs for the Summer Term is Monday 18th March. Please log on to your Arbor account to secure your place.



Nursery Closed – Thursday 28th March*

**Whilst we prepare for our Summer Intake.*

End of Term
(early finish)

End of term – Thursday 28th March

School will finish at 2pm on the last day of term.

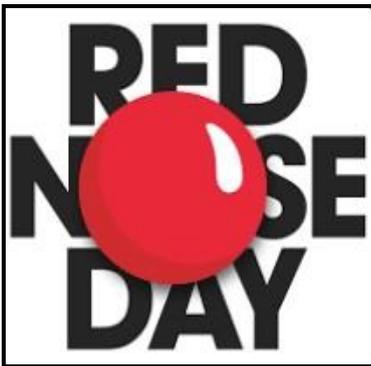
Donations Please

**DONATIONS
NEEDED**

Can you help??

To enhance our outdoor learning environment, in particular the roleplay area, we are asking for donations of old camping plates, cups and bowls, preferably metal ones. Please hand any preloved equipment to Ms Brannigan in the Nursery.

Thank you in advance for your kindness and generosity.



Red Nose Day – Friday 15th March 2024

Thank you to everyone who took part in our Red Nose Day today. The children looked fabulous in Red.

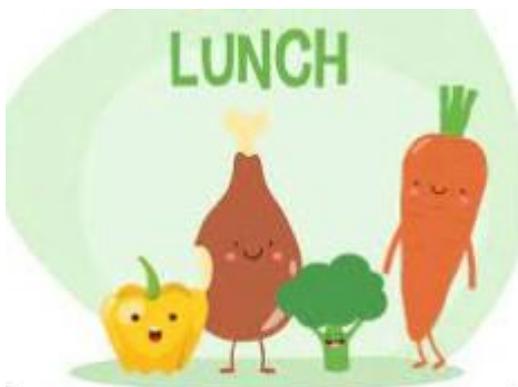
We raised a whopping **£201.76**



Sports for Schools

Well done to all the children who raised money for Sports for Schools!

We made a whopping **£3182** which is amazing!



Lunch Debts

Please ensure all your lunch debts are paid for in advance.

We spend a lot of time chasing lunch debts daily.

Thank you for your support.

Thank You

A huge thank you to 'Steppin Out Theatre School' who lent us some beautiful costumes for our WASMA production last week. The children not only looked amazing they also performed so well. Please do keep an eye out on our website, where we will be uploading our professional photograph's once we have received them.

Superstars!



Mia and Bella in Fox class went pottery painting over the weekend and created 2 beautiful foxes which they have given to Mr Bell as gifts! They will take pride of place in Fox classroom.

[Totally RAD](#) at Bearwood Primary School!



RAD believe that whatever the skill level or budget, all children deserve access to exceptional music tuition.

Our highly skilled network of professional musicians provide next-level tuition for the next generation of talent, no matter the location, budget or capability.

Provided on-site, within school hours and at a highly-competitive rate; with **RAD**, students can experience expert music tuition that helps them sharpen skills, express creativity, and dream **BIG**, with no disruption or stress – all from the very best in the business.

For more information, and to sign-up your child to **RAD** lessons, just use the following link; we'll do the rest.

[SIGN ME UP](#)

Have some serious fun on bikes

Easter
holidays
2024

Sign up for a Bikeability course

Woodford Park, Woodley, RG5 4LD

Level 1

2 April 0930-1200

8 April 0930-1200

Level 1 & 2

2 & 3 April 0930-1500 (2 days)

5 April 0900-1530

8 & 9 April 0930-1500 (2 days)

12 April 0900-1530

Level 3

2 April 0930-1500

3 April 0930-1500

5 April 0930-1500

10 April 0930-1500

11 April 0930-1500

Please reserve your place online at
avanticycling.co.uk/holiday-courses

Level 1 - Year 3 and above age 7+
Level 1 & 2 - Year 5 and above age 9+
L3 - Year 6 and above age 10+



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Summer School '24

Summer school places now available!

The Bulmershe School, Woodley

Mon 29th - 2nd Aug 2024

BOOK NOW ➔
07970 034488



Steppin out stars of tomorrow Berkshire's leading theatre school for children will be performing at Blackpool tower ballroom the home of Strictly Come Dancing next month!

One of our students Aiyana in year 6 will be dancing with the school and is over the moon!

Above is a flyer for their award-winning summer school! "The Golden ticket!" Based on Wonka.

Steppin out have just won Theatre school of the year at The Prestige awards! And also, Business leader of the year at the Thames valley business awards!

To book a trial please visit www.steppinoutstars.co.uk or call 07970 034488