

Friday 21st April 2023

Dear Families

Welcome back for the summer term. We have got off to a great, positive start. Thank you for making sure your children are dressed in the correct school uniform, ready to concentrate on their learning!

We have some new members of staff. Mrs Johnson is our new EYFS Lead and Brown Bear Class teacher. Miss Cook and Mrs Sandhu are sharing the teaching of Red Squirrel Class. Mr Cobb is the teacher of Wolverine Class. We welcome them all to the Bearwood family.

Our Year Four children have started their clarinet lessons. I cannot wait to hear them perform at the end of term!

We were very fortunate to have a special assembly on the Sikh festival of Vaisakhi. This was presented by Jasgeet in Wolverine Class, who had put together a highly professional presentation. Thank you, Jasgeet.

Our value for this half-term is 'creativity'. We want our children to be creative learners who can think outside of the box. The greatest scientists, mathematicians, inventors and artists have had creative minds.

Please note, our country dancing show to parents is being postponed to **Friday 26**th **May** from 2pm. All parents are welcome to come.

For our Muslim families - Eid Mubarak!

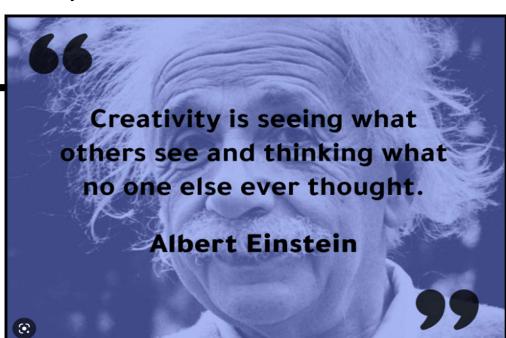
Have a lovely weekend, everyone.

Best wishes

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Value for the term –

<u>Creativity</u>



Office Notices

Growth Mindset Awards

Beaver – Ghamay

Rabbit - Isabella

Otters - Robin

Grey Wolf - Ophelia

Red Squirrel – Whole Class

Fox - Jack

Dormouse - Ruby

Pine Marten – Tommy

Hedgehog – Susan

Wolverine - Whole Class

Sports Star Awards

Beaver - Albert

Rabbit – Nelly

Otters – Aadya

Grey Wolf - Heidi

Red Squirrel - Whole Class

Fox- Rhema

Dormouse - Maisie

Pine Marten - All Year 6

Hedgehog - All Year 6

Wolverine - All Year 6

IMPORTANT dates to remember

- Fri 28th April 9am Prospective Parent Tour
- Mon 1st May Bank Holiday
- Fri 3rd May Eid Assembly
- W/C 8th May Year 6 SATs
- W/C 15th May Year 2 SATs
- W/C 15th May Year 6 Bikeability
- Fri 26th May Prospective Parent Tour
- Fri 26th May Country Dancing Show
- Mon 29th May to Fri 2nd June Half-Term
- Mon 5th June Inset Day
- Tues 6th June Children Return
- Thurs 8th June Year 2 Indian Dance Workshop
- W/C 12th June Year 1 Phonics Screening Check
- Tues 13th June Year 1 Frensham Ponds Trip

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 2
Years 3 and 4
Years 5 and 6
School Gallery



In KS1, we are developing our outside area directly next to the Year 1 classrooms. We would love to plant some flowers with the children in the flowerbeds. We are also hoping to create an outdoor reading area with a mat and have some appropriate outdoor games for the children to play. If you think you have anything unwanted that you can donate, we'd be very grateful.

Thank you.



NO CYCLING SHORTS

We have noticed an increase in children wearing black cycling shorts for PE. Cycling Shorts are **NOT** permitted. Please do take a look at our uniform list on our website:

https://www.bearwoodpri.wokingham.sch.uk/web/school_uniform/608145



<u>Year 5+6</u> - If your child walks to and from school alone, please ensure that they have a full charged mobile phone. Children will not be permitted to charge their phone in school.

Thank you.



Activity Passport

At Bearwood Primary School, we believe in giving the children opportunities to try new and varied enriching activities that may not strictly fit into the curriculum, but that develop character, resilience and motivation, and encourage them to pursue wider goals as they journey through primary school.

To support and enhance this further, we are introducing 'An Activity Passport'. The passport includes a list of twenty exciting challenges for every year group. Most of the activities will be completed in school but there are some that can be easily enjoyed by all the family, with just a little bit of your input from home.

The idea was first introduced by the DfE in 2018 (Department for Education) to not only encourage the academic progress of children but ensure that every child has exposure to experiences that provide enjoyment and lifelong fulfilment. This includes activities such as, reading for pleasure, being passionate about music, drama and sport, having community connections to their local area, developing an appreciation of nature and an insight into the world of work.

You can share photos of your child completing activities with their class teachers.

We hope your child will have a fantastic time working through the Activity Passport list, both in school and with you, as a family. Please do keep ticking off the activities throughout the years and don't worry if your child completes something more than once – that's just double the fun for everyone!

You can find the Activity Passport here - https://www.bearwood-pri.wokingham.sch.uk/web/teaching_learning_and_the_national_curriculum/6078

Mrs Haden - Curriculum Lead



School success starts with attendance

Weekly Attendance

Bear Cubs- 82.46%

Brown Bear -92.7%

Beaver - 93.87%

Rabbit -93.88%

Otter -94.52%

Grey Wolf -95.31%

Red Squirrel –96.12% Winners



Dormouse -95.7%

Fox - 94.01%

Wolverine -95.03%

Hedgehog –94.37%

Pine Marten - 94.79%



Please ensure you call or email <u>each day</u> 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	(Car
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



We are inviting the children to celebrate the king's coronation in a picnic style lunch on Friday 5th May.

Children are to bring in their own packed lunch on the day or they can pre-order a school lunch.

If you wish to order a school lunch, please complete the below google form. https://forms.gle/g8cso7vETRTKz1WaA

The school kitchen will only be open for pre-ordered lunches only, no hot menu will be available on the day.

Deadline for orders is Wednesday 26th April

Royal Menu

Chicken Mayonnaise Sandwich or Cheese Sandwich

> Vegetable Sticks Chocolate Cookie

Please ensure that your Scopay Lunch account has sufficient funds, lunches will be charged as per the usual procedure. Free School Meal / Universal Free School Meal children, please ignore.

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at The Bulmershe School, Woodley 31st July-4th August 2023

STEP 1 STUDENTS: 3-5 years Steppin students £125 - Just £8.33 an hour! Non-steppers £130 - Just £8.66 an hour! 10am-1pm

STEPS 2, 3 and 4 STUDENTS: 6-17 years Steppin students £190 - Just £6.90 an hour! Non-steppers £195 - Just £7.09 an hour! 10am-3:30pm

FULL PERFORMANCE AT THE END OF THE WEEK FEE INCLUDES COSTUMES & 1 TICKET PER PAYING STUDENT TO WATCH THE SHOW!

We sold out last year so don't leave it too late! ******

Stars of Tomorrow!

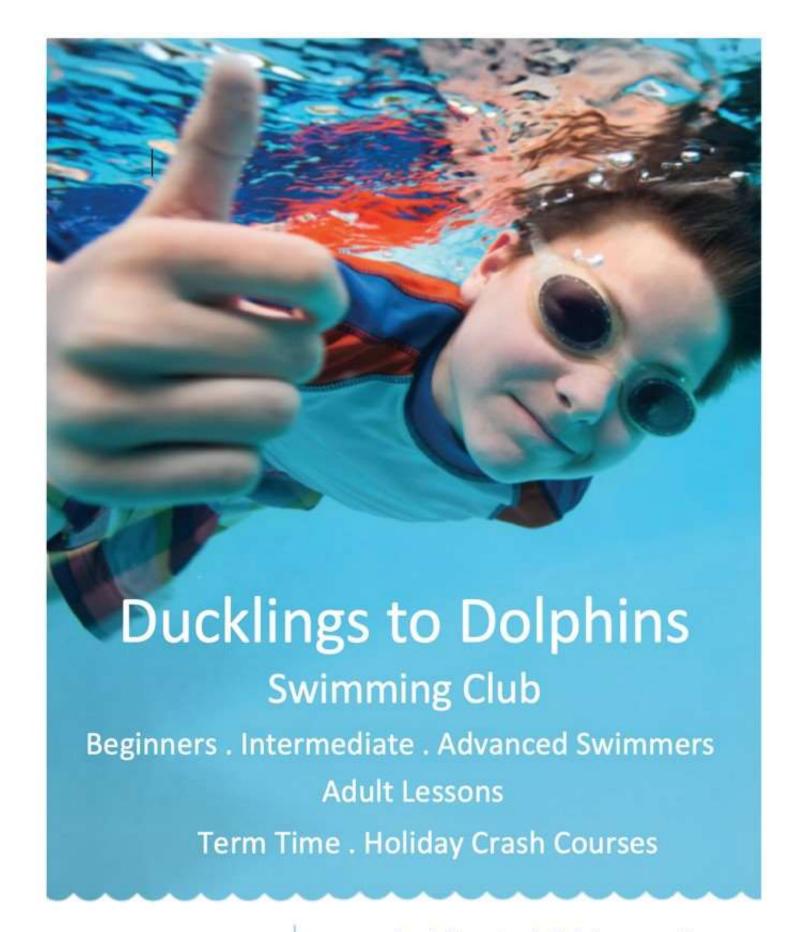
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The Coombes School, Arborfield RG2 9NX

Superstars!





Aiyana and Gia represented England with their Theatre School
"Steppin out stars of tomorrow"

A huge well done!

If you would like your child to star in next week's Newsletter. Please email the school office with a photo and a brief description.

Thank you.





If your child attends one of our physical clubs such as Athletics, Tennis, Dance or Fun Sports. They are to bring in their PE Kits on the day in a named bag.