



# Bearwood Primary and Nursery School Newsletter

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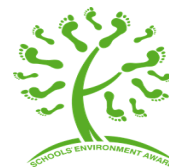
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## Important Dates

Year 6—Residential Trip  
Wednesday 12th September

Half Term  
Break up on Friday 19th October at  
3:30pm  
Return on Tuesday 30th October at  
9:00am

### Holiday Dates 2018/2019

Autumn Term 2018  
Monday 3rd September 2018 to  
Friday 21st December 2018  
Spring Term 2019  
Monday 7th January 2019 to Friday  
5th April 2019  
Summer Term  
Tuesday 23rd April 2019 to  
Tuesday 23rd July 2019

INSET DAYS FOR 2018-2019  
Monday 3rd September 2018  
Monday 29th October 2018  
Monday 7th January 2019  
Wednesday 27th February 2019  
Monday 3rd June 2019



## French Words of the week

This week's phrase is:

Près de/loin de...

(near to/far from)



'Every child has the right to an education which develops their ability, personality and talents to the full. It should encourage children to respect human rights and their own and other cultures. It should also help them to learn to live peacefully, protect the environment and respect other people.'

### Article 29, UNCRC (United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child)

#### Headteacher's Update

Welcome back! What a delight the children have been and so ready for learning in their new classes. I can honestly say that we have never had a reception and nursery class who have settled so well at the beginning of the school term. I am sure that you have noticed the new faces appearing around the school, including a new business team. We look forward to an exciting term ahead.

#### Polite Reminder: Car park

We welcome you to use our car park to drop off and pick up your children however, we do need to ensure the safety of all. Please ensure that you abide by the following rules to keep everyone safe.

- Do not park in the Staff Car Park. It is important for staff to have access at all times to their vehicles.
- Do not remain stationary on the road around the car park.
- Do not park in the Drop Off Zone in the mornings, this is only to allow you to pull up and for your child to make their own way down into the playground. This will help us to enable everyone to drop off their child/ren safely.
- If you wish to park your vehicle, please do so in the relevant parking areas and not in the coned off zones.

Failure to comply with these rules will result in two warnings being issued before you will be banned from parking on our premises. Unfortunately, we have already had to give initial warnings to a number of parents. If this continues to be an issue, then we will be left with no choice but to close the car park.

#### Wrap around care

We are delighted that MEE have taken over the provision of breakfast club and after school as a result of a request from parents for this provision to continue. This has enabled the school to use the staff who covered provision to spend more vital time on teaching and learning. I would like to remind you that MEE is an outside provider who is not connected to the school and is an independent business.

**Please see MEE with any concerns or the website for policies and procedures.** As with all businesses which are new there will be teething problems, so please be patient.

#### Marvellous Me

Last year we shared a high number of messages with 98% of our parent community. This year we will be continuing to use this messaging system to send you positive messages about your child's learning and achievements. We also use it to communicate important reminders. For Key Stage Two children, information about Children's University is sent out in this way. We are aiming to have 100% of parents using Marvellous Me this year. To ensure the app is effective, please check you have an up-to-date version via the app store and have selected the receive notifications. If you have had issues, please reinstall the app. If you have any questions or need support, please contact the office or see Mrs Gunstone.

## Communications with Parents/Carers

To ensure that Bearwood Primary and Nursery School is a thriving and successful school, our aim is to communicate effectively with each other, with our pupils, with their parents and with other members of the wider community. Therefore we will ensure that communications between all members of the school community are clear, professional, timely and appropriate.

### **Receiving a letter from a parent:**

All staff will respond to parents' letters requiring an answer within 48 hours (2 school days) to acknowledge receipt of the communication. A response to a parent/carer regarding the concern can be up to a further 5 school days where further investigation of the matter is required.

**E-mail/Text:** The school has an e-mail/text system which it uses to communicate with parents.

All e-mails requiring an answer should be responded to within 48 hours (2 school days) to acknowledge receipt of the communication. Up to a further 5 school days can be granted where further investigation of the matter is required. If a parent wishes to contact a teacher or member of staff via email then the school account should be used [school@bearwood.poole.sch.uk](mailto:school@bearwood.poole.sch.uk) only.

### **Telephone calls:**

If a parent rings to speak to a member of staff then they will respond as soon as possible but at least within 48 hours.

#### Message from Joan Jones—MEE Out of School Club

Thank you all for making MEE Out Of school club feel so welcomed at your school.

We are having a few teething problems at the moment. However, we are working on solutions to fix these challenges: so please bear with us for the next few weeks.

Breakfast club schedule: -

- Breakfast is served from 08:00 till 08:20;
- BBC Newsround - 08:25 till 08:35 with questions and answer sessions;
- Light morning exercises;
- Team building (a variety of team building activities)

#### **Child Care Vouchers**

We are now registered with Edenred and Care-4, please let us know if there are any other companies that you are using for child care vouchers.

#### **Safeguarding**

Due to safeguarding regulations: from next week Monday 10th September 2018 a bell will be installed on the wall by the gate which you will need to press for your child to gain access. Only children who are attending the breakfast club will be allowed in the Acorn room during club hours.

If you have any concerns please do not hesitate to contact us via telephone, email, text message or in person (you can make an appointment to see a member of staff at a convenient time).

#### **Prices from 1st October 2018**

7:30 till 9:00 - Cost will be £5.00 for 1st Child and £4.50 for 2nd Child

#### Oak Base Working Party

Oak Base outdoor area is in need of some TLC. We are looking for volunteers to come in and help us stain the wood work during an afternoon. If you are interested and think you can help, please contact the Office.

#### Oak Base Donation Request

Do you have any good quality toys that your child has outgrown? In Oak Base we would be grateful of any donations. We are especially keen to build a supply of dolls (and accessories), cars and small world toys such as 'Little People'.

#### Meet the Teacher Invitation for parents in Y1 to Y5

We would like to invite you to meet your child's class teacher at  
3:35pm till 4:00pm.

Holly 1—Thursday 13th September

Holly 2—Friday 14th September

Willow 1—Tuesday 11th September

Willow 2—Wednesday 12th September

Maple 1—Thursday 13th September

#### Job Advert—Parent Readers Required

**We need you! Please come and read with the children, they really enjoy having parents come in to do reading with them.**

**If you are interested, come and speak to the office, we look forward to seeing you.**