



# Bearwood Primary and Nursery School Newsletter

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& SUCCEEDING  
TOGETHER!

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## Important Dates

### For the Pupils

**Student Photographs**  
Tuesday 13th November

**Trips**  
**Maple 2**  
Westminster Trip - 2nd November

**Parents Evening**  
Tuesday 6th November  
Thursday 8th November

**Poetry Assembly**  
Willow Base - 7th February  
Holly Base - 6th June

**Anti-Bullying Week**  
**Odd Socks Day**  
12th November to 16th November

### 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 7th January 2019  
Wednesday 27th February 2019  
Monday 3rd June 2019



## French Words of the Week



un, deux, trois,  
quatre, cinq, six  
sept, huit, neuf, dix  
(1-10)

'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.'

### Headteacher's Update

Welcome back! I think the weather has finally realised that it is Autumn and as the nights begin to draw in and the weather gets colder, can I please ask that children bring in labelled coats and jumpers and ensure that they are set for the changes. We will endeavour to ensure that your child is wearing their coat with the cold weather but unfortunately if a child has not got their coat or is telling us they don't have it, there is little we can do. If a child has no jumper either, then we will ask the child to borrow a jumper from lost property. It may even be time for hats and gloves!

Thank you to all those who have signed up for parents evening next week. We look forward to sharing your child's progress and next steps. There will also be an opportunity for you to meet with Mrs Wall, SENCO and the governors.



### Anti-Bullying Week (Monday 12th November – 16th November 2018)

This year we are holding Odd Socks Day with the support of Andy Day, CBeebies star and front man of Andy and the Odd Socks. It's a chance for primary schools to celebrate Anti-Bullying Week in a positive way by asking pupils to wear odd socks to school. There is no pressure to wear the latest fashion or buy expensive costumes. All you have to do to take part is wear odd socks, it couldn't be simpler! Odd Socks day will take place on the first day of Anti Bullying Week, Monday 12th November to help raise awareness for Anti-Bullying Week.

### Marvellous Me

Please ensure you have Marvellous Me installed and updated on your phones or check the desktop version regularly. You may miss important communications if not. If you require help or support, please contact us.

### Fire Brigade

We were delighted to welcome the local fire brigade to work with Reception and Nursery. In this session they were given the opportunity to see a fire engine and learn all about fire safety. In a whole school assembly, the children were taught about firework safety and how to keep safe on fireworks night. Your child will have brought home a 'Follow Ben for a Safe Fireworks Night' flyer to help remind the children of the dangers. We hope you enjoy a safe and lovely fireworks evening.



## The following children have been celebrated this week...

	Outstanding Learning	Confident Communicator	Whole Class
Holly 1	Riley	Absent	Animal facts on display
Holly 2	Absent	Jessica	Effort in handwriting
Willow 1	Absent	Amelia	Effort and enthusiasm for visitors learning about Romans
Willow 2	Lucy	Ben	Roman day—sharing what you have learnt
Maple 1	Milly	Parry	ICT—designing their own games
Maple 2	Scott	David	Poetry assembly performance

### House - Leader Board

**1st**  
King Richard - 134

**2nd**  
Eleanor - 84

**3rd**  
Runnymede - 58

**4th**  
King John - 54

**5th**  
Queen Anne - 50

**Best Attendance: Maple 1 — 98.57%**

Attendance last week was 97.64%. We are especially proud of Holly Two for maintaining such high attendance so far this year. In the coming weeks, we will be contacting families where we are concerned about lateness or absence in preparation for our visit from Chrissie Fay, our School Attendance Worker. Please remember, if you would like support with attendance or lateness, we are here to work with you.

Number of pupils and attendance%	
Oak One (16)	96.32%
Oak Two (30)	97.18%
Holly One (30)	97.69%
Holly Two (30)	98.97%
Willow One (27)	97.82%
Willow Two (31)	97.10%
Maple One (28)	97.39%
Maple Two (27)	97.29%



### Celebrating Diversity

As part of our celebrating diversity programme, we are delighted to announce that Aaron Phipps will be joining us on the 27<sup>th</sup> November for an inspirational talk to the children. Aaron is a highly accomplished international sportsman. Since his teens, he has faced numerous physical and mental challenges and these experiences have enabled him to inspire countless young people across the UK.



At the age of 15, Aaron became a bilateral below knee amputee but that did not stand in his way. His drive, attitude and determination saw him training 12 times a week, around a full time job, to be selected to represent his country at the Paralympics in the roughest Paralympic sport, Wheelchair Rugby. However, not content with just representing GB, he didn't stop there. In 2016, Aaron set himself another goal that most would deem impossible - becoming the first disabled person to reach the peak of Mount Kilimanjaro unassisted. Aaron defied all the odds that were stacked against him and achieved this feat. Not only did he reach the summit unassisted, he was forced to crawl on his hands and knees for four days despite his guides suggestions that he could not complete the challenge unaided.

His 'We All Have Choices' motivational assembly is designed to teach young people the power of the decisions we make and the reasons that we make them. It is designed to inspire the pupils that against all odds, anything is possible - if we choose to do it. It is aimed to inspire all pupils to increase their aspirations, to understand that any barrier in life is an opportunity and most importantly, for our pupils to understand that 'we all have a choice.'

### Sports Club

We are keen to expose our pupils to as wide a variety of sports as possible and know that many already participate in exciting clubs outside of school. If you have contact details of a sports club that your child enjoys and think the leader would be interested in holding a taster day for pupils at Bearwood, please pass details to Mrs Gunstone.

#### Upcoming PFA Events

14th December - Christmas Fair - 3.45pm to 5.30pm

