



# Bearwood Primary and Nursery School Newsletter

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& SUCCEEDING  
TOGETHER!

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## Important Dates

### For the Pupils

**BU Campus Tour (Yr 5 & 6)**  
8th February

**PFA Disco**  
Friday 8th February

**Walk to School Week**  
w/c 11th February

**Farmer Palmers**  
Oak Base Trip  
28th February

### For the Parents

**O2 Weights and Measurements**  
7th February

**Year 5 & 6 to BU Campus Tour and MeBe Workshops**  
8th February

### Poetry Assembly

Willow Base - 7th February  
Holly Base - 6th June

### Holiday Dates 2018/2019

**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**  
Wednesday 27th February 2019  
Monday 3rd June 2019

H A M W I C T R U S T  
EDUCATION



### **French Words of the Week**

Tu veux faire un bon-homme de neige ?  
(Do you want to build a snowman?)

'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

Many were delighted at the sight of the snow and for a moment we wondered whether we would be able to open the school. But it was even better! We were able to use the snow as a learning experience and still enjoy it! Thank you for dressing your children in snow gear to enable the children to have fun. Please keep an eye on the weather and as always we will notify you if we have to close the school due to adverse weather conditions.

### Dino Escape

In a facility some scientists were bringing back the dinos, all of them. 50 years later the scientist were successful and built a park. 50 pounds per a ticket. In the park there were billions of dinos in different enclosures, some fighting, some eating and some you can ride. It was cool. If you went to the T-Rex enclosure it would smash against the walls. The ground shook but it didn't break. The goat's were just walking around. The T-Rex broke the wall's, people were screaming, the Spinosaurus broke out. The T-Rex let out a roar and they both ran to each other. Could this be the end of the T-Rex or humanity?

Written by a child who does not normally like putting pen to paper. Well done!

### Safer Schools Workshop

Safer schools ran a workshop with year 5 and 6 last week on 'Anti-Social Behaviour and Offensive Weapons'. The aim of the workshop is to educate the pupils of the possible dangers and the consequences. Please do take the time to talk to your children about the presentation where we discussed hoax calls, offensive weapons and antisocial behaviour. Consequences of the actions were clearly explained to the children by the PCSO. Thank you to Safer Schools for a very comprehensive programme.

### Emotional Well-Being

As a school we have recognised the importance of pupils having good emotional well being. It is a key theme which is explored through our PSHCE curriculum, assemblies, including bespoke assemblies on internet safety, anti-bullying etc. As a school we recognise that in our society it is becoming more and more challenging for our young people to keep emotionally healthy. In response to this as a school, we are developing an Emotional Well-Being policy which primarily focuses on preventative strategies but also includes a graduated response for pupils who may need more support. We have two Mental Health First Aiders in school now, who have been trained in supporting young people in crisis and signposting to outside agencies who are able to offer specialist support.

### Appointments

We kindly ask that where possible medical appointments are made out of school hours. If you are in a situation where your child needs an appointment, please ensure they are at school before and after when possible. We are unable to authorise whole sessions for medical appointments.





The following children have been celebrated this week...

House - Leader Board

1st

King Richard 78

2nd

Queen Anne 68

3rd

King John—41

4th

Eleanor—40

5th

Runnymede—22

	Outstanding Learning	Confident Communicator	Whole Class
Oak 2	Poppy	Bailey	Showing good thinking skills
Holly 1	Jack	Pepper	Amazing subtraction work
Holly 2		Penny	Fantastic story writing using imagination
Willow 1	Ethan	Tyler	Improving learning behaviours
Willow 2	Mackenzie	Ollie	Successful times table rock stars battle
Maple 1	Parry	Kera	Excellent reading discussions
Maple 2	Sophie-Mai	Milana	Science—electricity—learning. Excited about Dragon's Den activity.

**Pupil Premium**

Pupil Premium is money from the Government allocated to schools to improve attainment. If you receive Universal Credits or received any of the following benefits during the last six years, your child may be eligible;

- Income support
- Income-based jobseekers' allowance
- Income-related employment and support allowance
- Support under Part IV of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of state pension credit
- Child tax credit, provided that you are not also entitled to working tax credit and have an annual gross income of £16,190 or less

If you think your child could qualify, please contact Mrs Gunstone or the School Office.

**Swimming**

We are proud to publish our swimming figures for this year. The National Curriculum requires that children are confidently able to swim 25m by the end of KS2. We are particularly proud of our children's efforts, with a group of children in each class having made excellent progress with their swimming skills during booster sessions completed in the Autumn term.

Year Group	Number of Children	% of children who met the NC standard of 25m	% of children who do not meet the NC but can confidently swim 20m
5	28	96.42%	3.57%
6	26	84.61%	11.53%

**Celebration assemblies**

Each week teachers select two pupils to celebrate. A child is chosen for outstanding learning, for example this can be an improved attitude to learning or perseverance in their learning. Then a second pupil is chosen linked to our values, Global Citizen, Confident Communicator or Independent Learner. As a school we recognise the importance of valuing every pupil and noticing their positive contribution to our school community. We work hard to ensure all pupils are recognised at some point during each year as this raises their self esteem.



**PFA**

Come along to our Valentine's Disco! Tickets are now available and can be purchased from the Shelter every day after school.

**VALENTINE'S DISCO**  
Friday 8th February  
6.00pm - 7.30pm

Tickets:  
Child: £2.50  
Adult: £1  
Under 2's: FREE

REFRESHMENTS - MUSIC - SWEETS - GLOW STICKS

OPTIONAL FANCY DRESS

Tickets on sale at the shelter soon. Strictly first come first served. Maximum two adult tickets per family.

**Safeguarding/Child Protection**

Bearwood Primary and Nursery School is committed to the safeguarding and welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

**If you have any concerns**, please contact the following people through the school office:

The designated child protection/safeguarding officer is: Mrs Laura Bennett, Headteacher. The deputy designated child protection/safeguarding officer is: Mrs Sally Wall, Deputy Headteacher. The Family Support Worker is: Mrs Katy Bray.