



# Bearwood Primary and Nursery School Newsletter

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11TH OCTOBER: NEWSLETTER 3

Autumn Term 1

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## Important Dates

### FOR THE PUPILS

**Tuesday 22nd October**  
Flu Vaccinations

**Tuesday 12th November**  
Individual School Photos

### FOR THE PARENTS

**16th October**  
Deadline for Flu Vaccination  
submission

**Poetry Assemblies 9:05am**

**Wednesday  
16th October**  
Maple 1 & 2

**Thursday 6th February**  
Willow 1 & 2

**Thursday 18th June**  
Holly 1 & 2

### HOLIDAY DATES

#### 2019-2020 Dates

##### INSET DAYS

Monday 6th January 2020  
Monday 1st June 2020  
Monday 20th July 2020

##### Autumn Term 1

Monday 2nd September 2019 to  
Friday 25th October 2019

##### Half Term

Monday 28th October to  
Friday 1st November

##### Autumn Term 2

Monday 4th November to  
Friday 20th December 2019

'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

Firstly, thank you to all the volunteers who walked to the church with the children yesterday. Without your continued support, we would be unable to offer these opportunities. The pupils were once more a credit to the school and the community.

Secondly, you should have received the Ofsted Report which is also available on our school website. We are delighted that it has been recognised that 'leaders are ambitious for pupils to do well and have high expectations.' We could not be prouder of the pupils who were honest and reflective in their conversations with the inspectors and were able to share their first hand experience of what it is like to attend Bearwood Primary and Nursery school.

Finally, we are excited to offer a range of curriculum opportunities next week, including a visit from the Space Dome, a Maths Day and Dance Workshops. Please do ask your child about their busy week!

### Poetry Assembly - Change of date

The PFA have arranged an amazing experience for a planetarium to visit our school next Thursday. To ensure we make the most of this opportunity and allow us to use the hall for the day, we have made the decision to move Poetry Assembly to Wednesday 16th October. Parents with children in Maple Base are invited to attend this Poetry Assembly. We hope to see you there.

### Sports Ambassadors

Seven Year 6 and three Year 5 children have been selected to become Sports Ambassadors for this year. On Monday they took part in a number of workshops at Poole High School, to learn how to lead and promote P.E. at Bearwood. They worked as a team to create ideas and came back extremely keen to get started. This week during our active assembly they helped lead the warmup and taught us all a new game through exercise. We look forward to planning events and lunchtime games during the year!

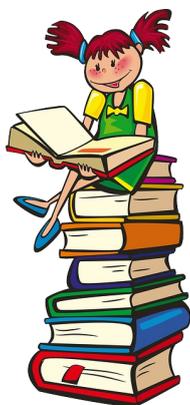
### Holly 1 & 2 visit the River Stour

Earlier this week Holly Base had a fantastic trip to the Kingfisher Barn in Muscliff. We enjoyed various activities including pond dipping, bug hunting and a lovely river walk. We were very lucky with the weather which meant we could end the day with a picnic and play outside!



### Marvellous Me

Marvellous Me features a 'high five' button which allows you to acknowledge messages sent by school. Please press this when you have read a message so teachers can see the message has been received.



### Love of Reading

At Bearwood we want all children to leave our school with a love of reading. To support this enjoyment in reading we have introduced the children to a list of 100 fiction books that it has been recommended that they should read before leaving primary school. There are some fantastic books on the list, of which I'm sure some children will already be familiar with, but there are even more for them to explore that they may have never read before. We are working to ensure that these books are available in our library or book corners to allow children to borrow and read the books. Follow this link if you would like to see which books are on the list:

<https://www.tes.com/news/100-fiction-books-read-leaving-primary>

### Harvest Festival

Yesterday we enjoyed our Harvest Festival service at St Barnabus Church. All the children enthusiastically participated in singing and clapping along to our Harvest songs. Thank you to all the families that donated food for the Kinson Foodbank. We were overwhelmed by the amount of food collected. Lastly, a big thank you to all the adults who gave their time to help us walk to the church.



### Maths & English Workshops in Oak Base

It was lovely to see so many parents attending the recent phonics and maths workshops in Early Years. It was a good opportunity to introduce the way phonics and maths are taught in the early stages and to talk about ways to help at home. We will have more workshops for these areas as the year progresses. We hope you will find these useful.

### Flu Vaccinations

You should have received an email detailing how to register your child online for their Flu Vaccination nasal spray. **Please note the deadline for submission is Wednesday 16th October.** If you should have any queries please contact the school office.

### Hot School Meals

The new Winter Menu 2019 is available to place meal orders via the Meal Selector website:

[www.dorset.mealselector.co.uk](http://www.dorset.mealselector.co.uk)

This menu runs from Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November through to Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2020, you will need to book meals for the first week back after the Half Term break by **Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2019**. Chartwells recommend that you book meals for the duration of the menu, especially if you are entitled to Free School Meals, this saves time and having to remember to book. Please try and select meal options with your children, they tend to like the responsibility and it allows them to choose meals they enjoy.

If you have any questions or issues accessing the website, please contact Chartwells on 01202 691030 or email the team at [BPDadmin@compass-group.co.uk](mailto:BPDadmin@compass-group.co.uk)

### School Council

Our School Council have decided that this year they would like to raise money for a new laptop for our school library. This will cost in the region of £370. They will be planning a number of events over the year with the aim of reaching this total. Ideas mentioned already include an Easter Egg Hunt and colouring competition. School Council are keen to arrange a 'Name the Teddy' style competition for Christmas. If you work for a company who might be able to make a donation of a large soft toy, please contact Mrs Gunstone.

### New games from the PFA

The children requested a board games option for 'Your time' and the Bearwood PFA have come up trumps for us yet again. They have brought a large selection of new games for the children to enjoy. I can certainly say that the games have created a great deal of excitement for the children and the adults! The photograph shows just a very small selection. We look forward to playing them throughout the year!



Tickets for our **Monster Mash Disco** on 18th October are **now on sale!**

In the Shelter from 3.15 - 3.45pm daily.

17.00 - 18.15 KS1 must be accompanied by an adult.

18.30 - 19.45 KS2 (Years 3, 4, 5 and 6) - children only.

Ticket price is £5 which includes a snack and a drink

For more details please see [facebook.com/bearwoodpfa](https://www.facebook.com/bearwoodpfa)

### 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.