



Bearwood Primary and Nursery School Newsletter

LEARNING, ENJOYING,
& SUCCEEDING
TOGETHER!

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Important Dates

FOR THE PUPILS

Friday 10th January
STEAM DAY

Monday 13th January
BU Writing Wizardry Workshop
Willow 1 & 2

FOR THE PARENTS

STEAM DAY
Friday 10th January after school

Thursday 6th February
Willow 1 & 2 Poetry Assembly

Thursday 18th June
Holly 1 & 2 Poetry Assembly

2020 DATES

Spring Term
Monday 6th January
to Friday 3rd April

Half Term
17th - 21st February

Summer Term
Monday 20th April to
Monday 20th July

Half Term
25th - 29th May

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

2020 - 2021 DATES

INSET DAYS
Thursday 3rd & Friday 4th Sept 2020
Monday 2nd Nov 2020
Monday 4th January 2021
Monday 7th June 2021

'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

Thank you to all the parents and carers who attended the Christmas production this year. I am sure you will agree that the pupils were amazing and so confident performing in front of so many. A huge thank you to the staff for all their hard work and preparation in organising the production. Thank you also to those who attended the carols around the Christmas tree. We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Staffing

I am delighted to inform you that we welcome Miss Ryder to the Bearwood team who will be working in Year 5 and 6. Miss Ryder is working as specialist teaching learning assistant but is actually a qualified teacher. She joins us from Cranbourne Middle School and we are delighted by her enthusiasm for learning and shoes!!!! We have also recruited three lunchtime supervisors for January so will be able to offer a wider range of clubs at lunchtime.

The Show must go on!

"Lights, Camel, Action!" saw the children of Holly Base and Oak Base jiving, tangoing, disco dancing, ballet dancing, line dancing and so much more! They all spoke beautifully and sang their hearts out. Of course, it wouldn't have been a real school nativity show without a couple of "You've Been Framed" moments but the children did themselves, parents, carers and teachers proud. What a performance!



Christmas Choir

On Monday 16th December, 13 members of the Christmas choir from Willow base travelled to Poole Hospital. We were there to sing Christmas carols and raise money for the hospital charity. We sang lots of carols in the 'Dome' for passers by and some patients even came down from their wards to watch us. Then on Wednesday 18th December, the whole of the Christmas choir sang at our annual Carols around the Christmas Tree event. They sang beautifully and really put everyone in the Christmas spirit!

Tag Rugby Tournament

Willow Base had a fantastic time on Thursday, with a friendly tag rugby tournament. We were able to use all of our skills we have been practising this half term. Daisy-May and Lacey said, "we really enjoyed getting people's tags. It was fun to have a

Celebrating 25 years!

We're sure you will join us in sending huge thanks and congratulations to Mrs Apps, who has been keeping the children of Bearwood safe crossing the road to and from school each day for 25 years!



H A M W I C T R U S T

EDUCATION





#WHATSYOURART STEAM Day is coming!

We are delighted to have been chosen by STEAM Co. to kick off their new decade on Friday 10th of January - their #COLLABORATE20 year long Festival of Creative Schools, Work and Lives.

STEAM Co. is a national non-profit community enterprise co-found by parents, teachers and other creative carers

They believe we have to let our children dream, aim high, find their passion - their art.

It might be painting or photography, fashion or football, cooking or coding, robots or rockets.

They say Art is the power of Creativity, Technology and People.

It can inspire our children in their learning, create careers and connect communities

STEAM Co. help connect our kids with their art and our communities with their schools.

Our #WHATSYOURART STEAM Co. Day will kick off with a big community assembly featuring a video chat with world famous musician Nile Rodgers and include a range of creative activities for the children - every child will get the chance to make and fire a paper rocket and *at home time we will fire off a dynamite rocket with parachute!* We hope you will join us!

Your child's success in school is a team effort between us, them and you as their carer.

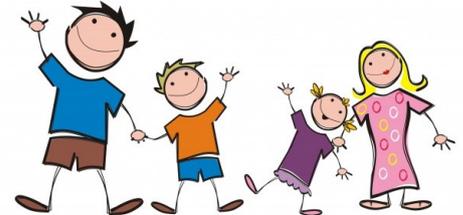
Let's #COLLABORATE20.



Do you wish there was a handbook for parenting?

As children grow and develop they challenge us all in different ways. When we look back at some of the things that they did when they were younger and we saw it as funny or cute suddenly isn't 2 or 3 years later but the habit is hard to break. Do you wish that your child would be more independent at helping themselves? As parents we like to feel needed but before you know it they will do the basics for themselves. If this sounds familiar and you would like to learn more we are able to offer free parenting sessions

in school from January, please can you let the office know and we will arrange an information session so that you can find out more before signing up for a course. Some parents who have had developmental concerns about their child have found attending these courses particularly useful when seeing a paediatrician. These courses are something that the paediatrician will often recommend a parent completing prior to exploring any further avenues of assessment and diagnosis.



School dinners for the new term

With the Christmas break fast approaching, we would like to remind you that in order to book hot school meals from Chartwells for week commencing 6th January 2020, the cut-off point for ordering is **Sunday 29th December 2019**
<https://dorset.mealselector.co.uk/>



A great big thank you for everyone's support so far this term!

Save the date for the school disco on Friday 8th February—details to follow.



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.