



# Bearwood Primary and Nursery School Newsletter

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& SUCCEEDING  
TOGETHER!

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## Important Dates

### FOR THE PUPILS

**Friday 18th December**  
Christmas Jumper Day  
Chartwells Christmas Lunch

### FOR THE PARENTS

**6th December**  
Cut off for ordering Christmas  
Lunch

### 2020 - 2021 DATES

#### AUTUMN TERM

Thursday 2nd September  
to Friday 18th December

#### Half Term

26th to 30th October

#### SPRING TERM

Monday 4th January 2021  
to Friday 9th April

#### Half Term

22nd to 26th February

#### SUMMER TERM

Monday 26th April  
to Friday 23rd July

#### Half Term

31st May to 4th June

#### INSET DAYS

Monday 2nd Nov 2020  
Friday 11th December 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

As I walk around the school I always see happy, polite children, who are positive and engaged in their learning. The children have worked hard to rebuild skills of independence, resilience when faced with challenges and being part of a class. I can see the progress they are making, securing learning from the previous year group that may have been missed as well as moving forward with the expectations of their current year. We have worked the children very hard this term and are delighted to see the progress they are making.

It won't be long before the Christmas festivities begin and it will seem very different this year. Despite the limitations which are upon us, we will do everything we can to ensure that the children enjoy the run up to the festive period. We will be sending a letter out next week with further details, however, we have had some questions about Christmas cards and unfortunately due to the current situation, children are unable to bring them in.



### Anti Bullying Week



This week is anti-bullying week and the theme is 'United Against Bullying'. During this week we have had assemblies to remind the children of what bullying is and what they can do if they themselves or others are being bullied. The children also had the opportunity to explore the theme further during their PHSE lessons. One of the important messages we reminded the

pupils of was **'Five to Thrive'** - this strategy encourages the children to think of 5 people who can help them, identifying their own support network.

If you would like further information as parents this is the link

<https://www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/anti-bullying-week/parents-and-carers>

### Holly 1 demonstrate their multi-skills!



On Tuesday afternoon, Holly 1 had great fun taking part in a multi skills festival. There were lots of activities to enjoy including a bat and ball balance, bean bag balance and target role. The children particularly enjoyed the target throw where they had to throw bean bags into the hoop. We worked so well as a team and it was lovely to hear the children cheering and supporting one another. Great work Holly 1!

### It's a girl!

Many congratulations to Mrs Bray and her husband who welcomed their baby daughter, Keeva Haven, into the world last week.



H A M W I C T R U S T

EDUCATION



## Holly 2's Beautiful Remembrance Art Work



## PE update and sport at Bearwood this term

### Youth Sports Trust Virtual After School Sports Club

With the current situation, we are unable to offer after school clubs at Bearwood Primary and Nursery school at present. With this in mind, the Youth Sports Trust are launching - Virtual After School Sports Club. This will be led by Athlete Mentors from different backgrounds, abilities and sports. Every day at 5pm from 16 November until 18 December, children and young people can join in with the live broadcast for free on our YouTube channel.

<https://www.youtube.com/user/YouthSportTrust>

Each day will be a different Athlete Mentor and Activity will be themed each day, to find out more go to the YST website (Virtual After School Club)

<https://www.youthsporttrust.org/AfterSchoolSportClub>

This is a really great way for your child/children to become involved in an after-school club which advocates 60 active minutes a day and engages with children and families to become active during this time.



### Children In Need

A huge well done to everyone who contributed to our Children in Need fundraiser last Friday - you managed to raise a whopping **£244.64!!** The children had a fantastic time joining in with Joe Wicks PE lesson in the morning. A very energetic start to the day for everyone!



### Chartwells Christmas Lunch

We will be serving the annual Chartwells Christmas Lunch on the last day of term, Friday 18th December. Parents who normally order hot meals will be sent a reminder but any parent can order this festive treat via the website <https://dorset.mealselector.co.uk/>. There is a leaflet attached with menu details. Orders must be placed by Sunday 6th December.



Fundraising has been very tricky this year and we have not been able to put on any events in 2020 to raise money like we normally do.

Last year the PFA raised and donated **£3,000** towards laptops for the ICT Suite and this year we have been tasked with buying 24 additional Amazon Fire Tablets to be used in class as an independence teaching tool.

Do you have a working but unwanted / unloved Amazon Fire Tablet at home that you would be happy to donate?

Alternatively, we have set up a Just Giving Page to try and raise money which you can find here: [virginmoneygiving.com/fund/projectkindle](https://www.virginmoneygiving.com/fund/projectkindle)"

### 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.