



Bearwood Primary and Nursery School Newsletter

LEARNING, ENJOYING,
& SUCCEEDING
TOGETHER!

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Autumn Term 2

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'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.'

Article 29, UNCRC (United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child)

Headteacher's Update

As we continue with the Autumn term 2, we now have well established school councillors who are busy beavering away on new projects such as healthy packed lunches and thinking about sustainability in the school and across the community. We also have newly recruited House Captains, who have the responsibility of representing each of the houses. This will involve the traditional Christmas tree decorating in houses as well as the other events throughout the year. The job centre has re-opened this term and we now have a wealth of responsibilities with the addition of pupils being able to actually earn 'Bearwood pounds' for their job. This is to replicate the world of work where pupils have the opportunity to earn money through their responsibility to then purchase items in the 'tuck' shop.

We are looking forward to welcoming you to parents evening next week where you will have the opportunity to have a face to face meeting with your child's teacher as well as looking at the progress they have made in their books. The Year 3 parents evening will be rescheduled for later this term.

Thank you to all parents who have booked parents evenings, please note that **Mrs Lyster** will be available for parents evenings, if you would like her to join your appointment with the teacher please let the school office know in advance so that she can make sure she is available.

UPCOMING EVENTS & IMPORTANT DATES

AUTUMN TERM 2022

Thursday 1st September to
Friday 16th December 2022

Parents Evenings 22nd
November and 24th
November

'ELFRIDGE'S' SHOPPING
DAY! Wednesday 7th

December details to follow!

Christmas Jumper Day

Thursday 8th December

Chartwells Christmas Dinner
& Decorate your Lunchbox
Day Thursday 8th December
2022

PFA Christmas Fayre

Thursday 8th December 2022

SPRING TERM 2023

Tuesday 3rd January to
Friday 31st March 2023

(3rd January INSET day -
School closed to pupils)

Willow Base Poetry Assembly
Thursday 9th February 2023

Half Term

13th to 17th February 2023

Easter Holiday

Monday 3rd April to Friday
14th April 2023

SUMMER TERM 2023

Monday 17th April to Friday
21st July 2023
(17th April INSET Day - School
closed to pupils)

Half Term

Monday 29th May to Friday
2nd June 2023

(5th June INSET Day - School
closed to pupils)

Holly Base Poetry Assembly
Thursday 29th June 2022

Anti-Bullying Week

Monday 14th November - Friday 18th November

Anti-Bullying week is coordinated annually in England and Wales by the Anti-Bullying Alliance. It takes place from 14-18 November 2022 and has the theme Reach Out. Our aim by the end of the week all children will understand what bullying is, its impact on children's wellbeing, and what children should do if they are being bullied or suspect someone else is being bullied. The children will take part in a number of assemblies and lessons throughout the week to explore these important questions. At Bearwood Primary and Nursery School we define bullying as 'behaviour by an individual or group, repeated over time, that intentionally hurts another individual or group either physically or emotionally'. We use the acronym STOP to define bullying to the children - Several Times on Purpose. Children who are concerned about bullying are reminded to make their feelings about unwanted hurtful behaviour clear to the person who is carrying out. This helps potential perpetrators to recognise the impact of their actions and often prevents the continuation of unintentional hurtful behaviours. We teach the children the simple phrase 'Please STOP, I don't like that' to communicate their feelings clearly and politely. If unwanted behaviours continue the children are advised to tell a trusted adult. During the week the children will be encouraged to think about who their trusted adults might be.

COAT REMINDER

Please can we ask that children bring their coats to school every day as we endeavour to ensure that the children have time outside each day where we can. Please ensure all clothing is named as it is hard to ensure that clothing is returned to the correct child.

PEER MENTORS

The applications are now open for some Year 6 who are going to be our Peer Mentors, they will receive training on how to notice and deal with bullying behaviours, to manage conflict through peer mediation and to promote positive playtimes and pupil wellbeing. We will announce the successful candidates in next week's newsletter!

Play consultations for BCP areas are currently taking place, vote here for your say: -

<http://haveyoursay.bcpCouncil.gov.uk>

Primary-age children may not have previously had much experience with video chatting apps such as zoom, FaceTime and Skype, but may well be using them now for education or to keep in touch with family and friends. To make sure your child has a positive experience video chatting online, read this [guide for parents and carers](#). The internet has many positive opportunities for children to learn and play, but it can also be used in negative and unkind ways.

It's really important to speak to your child about being kind online, and how they can get help if they see or hear anything that makes them feel worried, scared or sad. Use these [conversation starters](#) to help your child understand the importance of being kind online. The term 'online friend' can be used to describe people you only know through the internet, or those that you also know offline. Some children make friends online by meeting new people through online platforms such as gaming sites. To help children have positive online friendships, read this [handy guide](#).

Other support through the Household Support Fund

In addition to the vouchers issued through schools, additional support is also available to families and other households through the Citizen's Advice service in BCP. For further details on eligibility please visit Household Support Fund - Citizens Advice Bournemouth Christchurch and Poole (citizensadvicebcp.org.uk)

Other support

There is also details around additional support such as managing your finances, access to community food settings and other support here [Support if you are struggling to pay for food \(bcpcouncil.gov.uk\)](http://bcpcouncil.gov.uk)

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. Our Pupil Engagement and Welfare Officer is: Mrs Olivia Lyster