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## SUMMER TERM 1 NEWSLETTER – 26<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2023

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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 Message

And before we know it, we are halfway through the Summer Term, a term which has been very busy and packed with lots of events and visits which the children have gained a great deal from. We hope you enjoy reading all about our news and events from this half term.

**Staffing:** I am delighted to share that we have appointed Mrs Goodfellow, our Year 2 teacher, to cover the interim Deputy Head Teacher role whilst Mrs Guarguaglini goes on maternity leave. We know that Mrs Goodfellow will be an excellent appointment to support the new headteacher, Cheryl Smith, in continuing to ensure that all pupils receive the very best education. This means that we have a vacancy for a class teacher. Again, it is with delight that Mrs Emsen, who has been teaching in Year 3, has agreed to be part of the Bearwood team. Congratulations to both Mrs Goodfellow and Mrs Emsen. Mrs Ramsay, EYFS lead, is also moving onto pastures new where she is relocating to London. I would also like to share with you that Mrs Ramsay is also getting married over the summer holidays and we would like to wish her all the very best to her and her future husband.

We have appointed an experienced EYFS lead, Sally Ladyman, who will officially lead EYFS from September. I am sure you will make her feel welcome.

We have also appointed Tiffany Watts who has been a student teacher for the past year. We know that she will flourish in her teaching career as she becomes part of the team.

At the start of this half term, Years 5 and 6 had an assembly led by a charity called Escapeline. Caroline, who works for this charity, explained that she was here to talk to the children about county lines and defined this as where illegal drugs are transported - usually by children, sometimes as young as eight years old.

During the follow-up workshops in classrooms, Caroline talked through the different stages and methods which gangs will use to recruit children to deliver packages. Pupils spent some time thinking about what gang members might look like and many were surprised to learn that they usually look 'normal' and 'nice' and very unsuspecting! Caroline also led a conversation about knife crime and the dangers of this in relation to county lines.



At the beginning of the summer term, Willow 2 walked to Canford Park SANG as part of our Geography learning. We walked along the new residential area being built next to school and marked this, along with other local land-uses on a map of the area. We found agricultural, commercial and recreational land to mark on our own maps and linked this with a key.

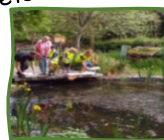
When we entered Canford Park SANG, we started to retrieve our sticky knowledge about settlements, thinking about why Bearwood is a good place to settle. We spotted the river which would have been useful for drinking and washing, trees for building and for fires, and flat land for farming. This also linked in with our Year 3 History unit on the Iron Age when we thought about why Iron Age settlers chose Bearwood to build their roundhouses.



After spending the last few weeks learning lyrics, actions, dance moves and sign language, children in Key Stage 2 attended the BSO (Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra) concert at the Lighthouse. Here, pupils had the opportunity to appreciate a variety of orchestral performances - some of which they got to participate in with what they had spent time learning! Pupils (and staff) had a brilliant time enjoying the music and we're looking forward to future BSO concerts!



Holly 1 enjoyed visiting Kingfisher Barn at Muscliff as part of our learning in science about plants and trees. The children enjoyed going on a nature walk and identifying the different wild plants along the river. They also enjoyed pond dipping and identifying what they had caught in their nets.



Years 1 to 6 had the chance to try out learning the basics of scootering or skateboarding which they all thoroughly enjoyed.

The children had an exciting opportunity to try out skateboarding and scooting delivered by Team Rubicon.



### KS2 French Day

This Tuesday children across Key Stage 2 took part in our very first French Day. Children and staff came dressed for the occasion in the colours of the French flag and everyone enjoyed taking part in a range of different activities to celebrate the children's learning in French and French culture. Year 3 made some fantastic posters about landmarks in Paris after reading the story Mr Chicken goes to Paris. Year 4 learnt about currency and then experienced a 'French cafe' where they placed a food and drink order and paid for it using euros. A big thank you goes to Tesco in Branksome for providing the food and drink for the cafe. Year 5 prepared 'All about me' presentations and spoke confidently in front of the class, as well as enjoying a boules tournament at the end of the day. Year 6 created posters teaching others about being healthy, using the knowledge from their current French learning. It was lovely to see everyone engaged in French learning throughout the day and we are already looking forward to French day next year!



## Maths Open Classroom

This half term Holly 2 have been learning about how to measure in centimetres using a tape measure. We have had an open maths classroom where we watched the video 'Puff the magic dragon'. We saw that Jackie Paper, Puff's friend, was a boy and he grew up whilst Puff didn't as he was a dragon. Our mission with the parents was to make another Jackie Paper. To make it harder, it was a race. The children were in groups of three and each group were working in the new courtyard. The children had to measure their head, forearm, hand, back, arm, upper leg and lower leg. They then had to come inside the classroom to get a piece of paper and cut it to the correct measurement. They took turns in measuring each other's body parts and then glued them together. We glued them in order so that the body was constructed properly so that it looked like Jackie Paper. I would also like to thank all the parents who were able to come to this open maths classroom as it was a pleasure to see you all.

Thank you!

Written by Ahmad Hussain (Year 2, age 7)



After watching the Kings Coronation, Finlay was inspired to do this drawing. Well done, what a wonderful picture!



Our PFA Coronation Garden Party was a wonderful event, everyone enjoyed themselves and the weather held out for the entire time. Thank you to all of our PFA volunteers, and school staff for working so hard to make it possible.



A massive well done to Preston who represented Bearwood Primary & Nursery School for PEDDSA Football.



Ellie-Mai and Della went banger racing a few weeks ago and finished their final race in 1st and 2nd place! Well done to you both!



### 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 officers are Mrs Laura Bennett, Headteacher, and Mrs Guarguaglini, Deputy Headteacher, Our Pupil Engagement and Welfare Officer is Mrs Olivia Lyster