



# BEARWOOD Primary and Nursery School

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## *Learning, Enjoying & Succeeding Together*

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Dear Parents and carers,

### Oak 2 Autumn Update Letter

#### Library Books



Last week, the children had their first visit to the school library. In the library the children learnt how to look after books, they enjoyed a shared story time and choose a book to bring home. These books are for you to share with your child as often you can. Use the books as bedtime stories or to share with family members such as, Granny and Grandad. These books will be changed once a week on a Wednesday.

#### Key Words

In the coming weeks, the children will bring home a little bag of key words to learn. These words marry up with our Little Wandle Phonics scheme. In their key word bag, you will find two sets of words, a yellow set and a red set.

#### Yellow Words

Yellow words need to be broken down into their separate sounds and then blended to form the word. For example, s-a-t = sat.

Once your child begins to recognise a number of sounds they can blend simple words together. For example, with the letters s-a-t-p you can make the following words, sat, tap, and pat.

#### Red Words

These are 'tricky words' that you can't break down and need to be learned by sight and memory.

Please try and practise your child's key words as often as possible. Each word has a tricky bit, which we will try to point out to you in our weekly phonics sheets.

We try and check the children's key words every few weeks but occasionally it may take a little longer. Please let us know if you need another strip of key words.



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## Taking Ted Home and Chatter Boxes

### Taking Ted Home

This week the children were very excited to see we had a new member of the class join us, our class teddy! The children will each get a turn to take Teddy home overnight. As part of our taking teddy home initiative, the children have been learning a story all about Teds adventures at Mrs Ladyman's house. Learning this story, is a way of encouraging children to develop their basic Literacy skills of speaking, listening and storytelling.

When Ted comes to your house, help your child to practise telling the same story using the actions so that when they return to school the next day, they can have a go at telling the story to the rest of the class! Please return Teddy and all his belongings the next day ready for another child to take home – he is very popular!



### Chatter Boxes

Soon we will begin our 'Chatter Boxes.' A child will be chosen once a week to take home the 'Chatter Box.' This is a little box; your child can fill with anything they would like to talk to their friends in class about. For example, their favourite toy, book, or teddy. The aim of the 'Chatter Box' is to encourage children to develop their speaking and listening skills. We will ensure all their items are kept safe and returned that day in your child's book bag.



As usual, thank you for all your support and if you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask.

Kind Regards

Mrs Ladyman  
Oak 2 Class teacher and EYFS Leader



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