



Friday 23rd May 2025

Dear Summerswood Families,

Medical Incident

As many of you witnessed, a family member of one of our students suffered a cardiac arrest, requiring the urgent assistance of our medically trained staff, ambulance crews, an air ambulance, and the police.

We want to extend our absolute thanks to our incredible staff who responded with professionalism and compassion, offering immediate support in very challenging circumstances. Our gratitude also goes to the police, paramedics, and air ambulance crew for their swift and skilled intervention.

We are very appreciative of the parents and carers who promptly followed staff instructions to safely escort children off-site. Your cooperation was vital in ensuring a calm environment for the medical teams to work.

However, we would like to gently remind everyone of the importance of maintaining privacy and respect during such situations. Moving closer to observe or filming the scene is not appropriate and compromises the dignity of those involved. We ask for your understanding and cooperation in respecting this moving forward.

The individual remains critically ill in the hospital receiving ongoing care, and the family has expressed their gratitude for the efforts of both the school community and the medical teams. Thank you for your continued support in fostering a caring and respectful environment at our school.



Attendance week ending 16th May 2025

RPeterPan	RRosen	1Anning	1Donaldson	2Attenborough	2Johnson	3Rashford
94.8%	94.8%	96.5%	98%	98.1%	94.2%	95.1%

3Wicks	4Queen	4Thunberg	5Boseman	5Southgate	6Malala	6Obama
95.3%	95.7%	93%	93.8%	93.9%	97.9%	97.6%

Please be reminded that absence during term time is not allowed, unless there are medical reasons or exceptional circumstances. If you do need to apply for term time absence, please do email: attendance@summerswood.herts.sch.uk with the reasons for this.

We have also noticed that there seems to be an increase in absence either side of school breaks. Please note that we will need to have medical evidence of any illness during these periods, or the absence will be marked as unauthorised.

Miss Kneller's Assembly

We are thrilled to announce that **Woodfest** is just around the corner! This annual event is a highlight of our school calendar, celebrating the incredible talents of our students and fostering a strong sense of community spirit.

What is Woodfest?

For those of you new to our school, Woodfest is our school's very own festival, where we celebrate our great spirit of community and creativity. It features a variety of performances from the children as well as outside professionals - this year we're welcoming Ravi and his family from Ravi's dream - see his video here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NDETq8P88SI>,

Marcus Firby - who performed in the rain for us last year as well as your very own children's diverse talents. Our theme this year is **Warrior. Sparkle. Shine**. Warrior to remember our Warrior King Luke. Sparkle to remember how Emine loved to spread her Sparkle wherever she went. Shine - for all our children to share their brilliance with the community.

Woodfest will take place on Friday 4th July 2025. The festivities will from 4.30pm until 8pm and will be held on the school field. It's an event for the whole family, so we encourage everyone to come along and join in the fun!

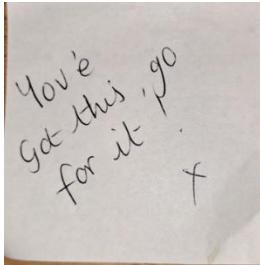


As part of Woodfest, we're excited to host **Summerswood's Got Talent**, a showcase where our students can perform and display their unique skills. Whether it's singing, dancing, magic tricks, or any other talent, we welcome all students to participate.

Auditions: Students interested in participating should practice over the half term break as year group auditions are the week commencing 2nd June. If they are successful with this then Phase auditions are the week commencing 9th June with the final to decide who can perform on stage happening the week commencing 23rd June. If your child would like to take part please do encourage them to practice their act at home.

Children's Mental Health week

As part of Children's Mental Health Week, we asked the children, Families and staff "What advice would you give someone to encourage them to persevere (not give up)?" This week's brilliant suggestion is:



"You've got this, go for it!x"

Have a wonderful half term - we can't wait to see you back in school on Monday 2nd June 2025.

Kind Regards
Sarah Kneller



Headteacher

Dates to Remember

Date	Event
Friday 23rd May 2025	School finishes at normal times for Half Term
Monday 26th May- Friday 30th May	Half Term
Monday 2 nd June 2025	Start of Summer Term 2
Tuesday 3 rd June 2025	Summerswood Sunflower Growing Challenge begins
Monday 16 th -Friday 20 th June 2025	Sports week
Tuesday 17 th June 2025	Sports Day
Thursday 19 th June 2025	Parent Coffee Afternoon 2.15-3pm
Friday 20 th June 2025	Colour run
Monday 23 rd June	INSET DAY- No pupils in School
Friday 4 th July 2025	WOODFEST 4.30pm-8pm- School Field
Tuesday 15 th July 2025	Year 6 Production- Performance to Parents and children under 5- 2-3pm
Wednesday 16 th July 2025	Year 6 Production- Performance to Parents and children under 5- 2-3pm
Wednesday 16 th July 2025	Performance to Parents NO children under 5- 5-6pm
Thursday 17 th July 2025	Parent Coffee Afternoon 2.15-3pm
Monday 21 st July 2025	Summerswood Sunflower Growing Challenge- Judging
Monday 21 st July 2025	Leavers dinner 5-6pm in the School Hall.
Tuesday 22nd July 2025	Last day of Term for Nursery
Wednesday 23 rd July 2025	Year 6 leavers Assembly- Families welcome
Wednesday 23 rd July 2025	Last Day of Term- School finishes at 1.30pm

SUMMERSWOOD SUNFLOWER GROWING COMPETITION

STARTS TUES 3RD JUNE 2025

- Every child will get the chance to grow a sunflower in their class
- Prizes for the tallest sunflowers in Early Years, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 classes
- The judging will be on **Monday 21st July 2025**



**POTS &
SEEDS
WILL BE
PROVIDED**

**FOR MORE DETAILS PLEASE SPEAK TO MRS BROWN
GOOD LUCK TO YOU ALL & HAPPY GROWING!**



BOREHAMWOOD FARMERS & CRAFT MARKET

May 25th

10am - 2pm

4th Sunday of every month

**@ Brook Road Car Park
Borehamwood. WD6 5HQ**

**Free Parking in the
Civic Centre Car Park, WD6 1TJ**

**For more information or to become a stall holder
contact Elstree & Borehamwood Town Council**

Web: www.elstreeborehamwood-tc.gov.uk

Email: market@elstreeborehamwood-tc.gov.uk

Telephone: 0208 207 1382





CREATIVE IDEAS

Africa Day Workshops

CHILDREN & FAMILY WORKSHOPS 2025

Tuesday 27 May

10am-11.30am San Beadwork

12pm-1pm Bird Silhouette

Wednesday 28 May

10am-11.30am Shadow Puppets

12pm-1pm Kente Weaving

Thursday 29 May

10am-11.30am Adrinka Symbols

12pm-1pm Postcard Art

Friday 30 May

10am-11.30am Repeat Patterns

12pm-1pm African Henna Drawing

Allum House, 2 Allum Lane,
Borehamwood WD6 3PJ



BOOKING ESSENTIAL

£2.50 per workshop/family

Children under 10 must
come with an adult



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Borehamwood Library
96 Shenley Road
Borehamwood WD6 1EB

Monday 9-6
 Tuesday 9-6
 Wednesday 9-6
 Thursday 9-7
 Friday 9-1
 Saturday 9-4

Located in the Community Hub known as 96, we are on 3 floors with a dedicated children's area, top floor study space, PCs, comfy seating, jigsaw puzzles and over 31,000 books. Our friendly team of staff are here to help you find the right book for you, suggest events and activities and help you with PCs and tablets

Baby Rhyme Time	Monday 10.00am & 11.00am Donations welcomed.
Storytime	Thursday 4.00 – 4.30pm Donations welcomed.
IT Taster Sessions	1:1 IT Lessons £10.00 / £6.50 <i>Must be booked in advance</i>
Tea and Tablets	Monthly on a Wednesday Bring your Tablet or Smartphone £4 per session inc. tea/ coffee and biscuits <i>Must be booked in advance</i>
Craft & a Cuppa	Thursday 2.00pm – 4.00pm Bring your own art/ craft project, have a chat, meet new people, and share ideas. <i>Special discount on hot drink from Café @96</i>
Home Library Service	Books delivered to housebound.
LEGO Club	Monday 4.30 – 5.30pm £4.40 per child / Term Time Only <i>No need to book!</i>
Tech Club	Monthly on a Tuesday Children aged 6-10yrs. £4.40 per child! <i>Places are limited /Ask at desk for next date.</i>

Centenary Storytime <i>Donations welcome</i>	Thursday 1 st May 2025 4pm – 4:30pm
Tiny Mites Music Cinderella <i>Children aged 2 – 8 and their families</i>	Tuesday 27 th May 2025 2pm – 3pm £4 per person
Make a Lego Town <i>Children aged 5+</i>	Wednesday 28 th May 2025 10am – 11:30am £4.40 per person