

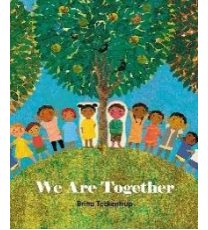


Friday 3rd May 2024

Dear Families,

We are together

In assembly on Monday, we shared the book 'We Are Together' by Britta Teckentrup. We spoke about how remembering that we are all part of a school team helps us remember that working together is a great next step. I challenged the children to show their ability to work together this week and gave them the chance to give one other person a 'together we can' Caught You Being Great. They needed to be looking out for children who were showing they were working together – perhaps by helping them with some work in the classroom or being extra kind on the playground. I can't wait to find out how many children were gifted a 'together we can' Caught You Being Great this week!



Ofsted As you are aware, this week we had an inspection from His Majesty's Inspectorate – Ofsted. They spent two days reviewing the school and giving us areas to improve. It will take some time for the report to arrive – up to thirty working days – and until the report has been checked by Ofsted and received by the school, we do not know the outcome. Thank you to families who responded to the online questionnaire and to those who spoke to the inspectors while they were on site. We will share the report with you in the coming weeks.

Attendance – for week ending 26th April

RPeterPan	RRosen	1Anning	1Donaldson	2Attenborough	2Johnson	3Rashford
93.6%	89.6%	97%	96.3%	95.4%	94%	97.5%

3Wicks	4Queen	4Thunberg	5Boseman	5Southgate	6Malala	6Obama
92.9%	92.7%	91.1%	100%	92.7%	95.3%	95.7%



Well done to 5Boseman with 100% attendance last week! Children in 5B may come to school on Wednesday in non-uniform (due to the cricket workshop on Tuesday).

We expect children to be in school every day, unless they have a temperature over 38degC or have sickness and/or diarrhoea. Children should still come to school if they have a cold or a cough, unless they are particularly unwell with it and have a temperature – we want our children to grow up having learnt to be resilient and to persevere with their studies, and we need parents to help us teach children these traits.

Social Media Checks

Across the school over the past few weeks, we've been managing issues involving children using social media inappropriately. It is important that children and parents understand the impact social media can have on children. We've had many arguments and difficulties with friendships around this. Please can I ask that, if you are allowing your child to have access to social media, you speak with your child about your own experience of the online world. Show them sites and apps that you like, and explain why you like them. Show them how to use the internet in a positive way – to research things, to do homework, to talk to family, and to find out about the world. This helps them to have a critical eye.

It is also important to remember that most social media platforms are officially 13+, most children sign up to at least one when they're much younger. It's better that you encourage them to be open with you, rather than thinking they need to keep it a secret from you. Remind your child that every social media platform has privacy settings, and show them how to use them.

- Talk to your child about the sort of information they want to keep private.
- Make sure your child understands how to report or block things that aren't appropriate.
- Help your child to understand that they shouldn't feel the need to be available all the time on social media. It's okay to take a break, and you don't need to take part in every conversation.

Thank you for supporting your child and the school by using social media appropriately and putting in place effective barriers to protect your children as they learn how to use the internet appropriately.

Wickes & our Gardening Club



A big thank you to Wickes Borehamwood who have kindly donated £200 of resources towards Summerswood School's Gardening Club. The club has been given a grassed area where we will be putting in new raised beds supplied by Wickes. They have also provided topsoil to fill the beds, decorative garden pots, compost, and seed pots in preparation for this year's Sunflower Growing Competition - coming up soon...

Cricket Workshop – Yrs 3-6

We are excited to be holding a cricket workshop in school on Tuesday 7th May for children in Years 3-6. Children in these classes are to wear PE kit to school on this day.

We have noticed that a lot of children are wearing incorrect PE kit to school, so please take note of the PE kit dress code:

Indoor P.E. Kit

- Plain navy blue/black shorts (NO cycling shorts unless worn with shorts on top)
- Plain white short-sleeve round neck t-shirt (NO cropped tops)
- Black plimsolls (KS1)

Outdoor P.E. Kit

- Navy, black or grey jogging bottoms (NO leggings unless worn with shorts on top)
- Plain white short-sleeve round neck t-shirt (NO cropped tops)
- Navy/black long sleeved sweatshirt
- Training shoes

Coffee Morning – 8th May

We are looking forward to welcoming parents and carers to our next Coffee Morning on Wednesday 8th May at 9am in our school hall. Please come and sign in at the main office, and parents will have the opportunity to hear Mrs Crabtree (our SENCO) speak about the County Local Authority offer about SEND.

Unclaimed Property

This buggy has been left in our buggy/cycle park for some weeks – if it is yours, please claim it before the end of next week, as we will be disposing of it if unclaimed by then.



NUTS

We are a NUT-FREE school due to children with severe allergies – please check that any chocolate spreads, biscuits, pancakes, etc. are all nut-free. If you do send your child in with a definite nut-free chocolate spread, please pop a note in their lunch box to confirm that it is nut-free, so that we don't need to call you to find out. Thank you for helping to keep our children safe.

Kind regards,

Sarah Kneller
Headteacher

Interesting fact: 29% of Brits never exercise, according to a survey. One in 10, meanwhile, said they exercised twice a week.

Dates to Remember

Monday 6th May	BANK HOLIDAY – school closed, no children in school
Tuesday 7th May	Y3-6: Cricket Workshop in school (children in Yrs 3-6 to wear PE kit)
Wednesday 8th May	9am: Coffee Morning – all parents/carers welcome
Wednesday 22nd May	9am: 2A class assembly – all parents/ carers welcome
Thursday 23rd May	School finishes at normal times for Half Term
Friday 24th May	INSET Day – no children in school
Monday 27th May – Friday 31st May	HALF TERM
Monday 3rd June	Start of Summer Term 2
Wednesday 12th June - Friday 14th June	Y6 PGL residential trip
Wednesday 12th June	9am: 2J class assembly – all parents/ carers welcome
Wednesday 19th June	9am: 1A & 1D class assembly – all parents/ carers welcome
Wednesday 26th June	9am: Y6 PGL assembly – all parents/ carers welcome
Tuesday 2nd July	9.10am: Nursery assembly – all parents/ carers welcome – DATE CHANGE
Wednesday 3rd July	9am: RP class assembly – all parents/ carers welcome
Friday 5th July	#WOODFEST 2024
Wednesday 10th July	9am: RR class assembly – all parents/ carers welcome
Tuesday 16th July	2-3pm: Year 6 production
Wednesday 17th July	2-3pm: Year 6 production
Wednesday 17th July	5-6pm: Year 6 production
Thursday 18th July	Reception trip to London Zoo
Monday 22nd July	Last day of term - for Nursery Children only
Monday 22nd July	Year 6 Leaver's Dinner – time TBC
Tuesday 23rd July	9am: Year 6 Leaver's Assembly – Y6 parents welcome, sign in at office
Tuesday 23rd July	Last day of Term - school finishes at 1.30pm

New Girls Team Players Wanted



Borehamwood Youth FC U12 Lionesses are looking for new players

Join the U12 Lionesses for the upcoming 2024/2025 season.

Currently in years 5 and 6.

Any position or ability welcome.

Players who enjoy playing football and are willing to learn.

Weekly training sessions on Tuesdays and League games on Saturdays.

Please get in touch for further information or to register your interest.

George Perrozzi: 07813 194894
george.perrozzi@gmail.com

Jamie Figg: 07773 896176
jfigg89@googlemail.com

Online Education Programme for parents/carers of secondary age children and young people who are receiving support from HPFT CAMHS or STEP 2 or counselling through Children and Young People's Mental Health Services

Where: Online over Zoom.

When: Tuesdays 21st May, (half-term), 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th June & 2nd July, 2024, 7.30pm - 9pm.

This free 6 week course will provide parents and carers with the language and skills to help them to support their child/ young person who is experiencing emotional wellbeing difficulties, as well as providing guidance on how they can look after their own emotional wellbeing.

Learn more about:

Young people's mental health and recovery.
Effective communication skills. **Family culture.**
Problem-solving and looking after yourself.

To book a place please sign up online via the listing for the event at www.carersinherts.org.uk/events

Places are limited and will be allocated to the first 15 people who register.

When booking please state which service your child is using - HPFT CAMHS or Step2 or a Counselling Service.



About Carers in Hertfordshire

We are a charity that provides information, advice and support to unpaid carers - people looking after a partner, relative or someone who is ill, elderly, has a physical or learning disability, or drug or alcohol addiction.

We support carers of all ages - young people and adults - living, working or caring in Hertfordshire. Our services are free to carers.

We provide services to carers to help them with their caring role or have a break from caring, to improve their health and wellbeing, and to have a voice in shaping health and community services.

We are partly funded by Hertfordshire County Council and the NHS in Hertfordshire. In partnership with them and other local organisations we work to ensure unpaid carers are identified, informed, supported and heard.

Carers in Hertfordshire

The Red House, 119 Fore Street, Hertford, Herts, SG14 1AX.

Tel: 01992 58 69 69 Email: contact@carersinherts.org.uk

www.carersinherts.org.uk

Our support for parents and carers.

We have a team of Carer Engagement Workers who can provide advice and information and also support you to speak up.

We also:

- Give you a chance to meet and talk to other parents, carers and staff who understand;
- Give you the opportunity to represent your views to the authorities that commission and manage Children and Young People's Mental Health Services (CYPMHS) in Hertfordshire;
- Provide free training and learning opportunities; and
- Offer a Carers' Passport Discount Card that gives savings in shops, restaurants and other venues (contact us to apply for one today!)



RAMBAM SEPHARDI PRESENT:



We are delighted to welcome back Dean Beadle who will speak on:

ANXIETY & AUTISTIC JOY

A practical, interactive session on how to support autistic people through their anxiety and the bridge between the child at school and the child at home. There will be an opportunity for questions at the end.



DEAN BEADLE

Dean is an experienced and sought after speaker on autism. His positive and insightful speeches, drawing on his personal experience, have enlightened and inspired audiences around the world.

**WEDNESDAY
8TH MAY 2024**

**7.15PM-9.15PM
YAVNEH COLLEGE,
HILLSIDE AVENUE,
BOREHAMWOOD**

Booking fee:
£11 members
£15 non members

HALF TERM FUN

SESSIONS FOR NEURODIVERGENT
CHILDREN/YOUNG PEOPLE AND SIBLINGS

POTENTIAL KIDS



29TH MAY WEDNESDAY

FUN RINGS

(8+YRS)

12.00-13.00 &

13.00-14.00

GOSLING SPORTS CENTRE

30TH MAY THURSDAY

TRAMPOLINING

(5+YRS)

17.45-19.00

GOSLING SPORTS CENTRE

31ST MAY FRIDAY

NINJA WARRIOR

(5+YRS)

19.00-20.00

WATFORD LEISURE PARK

BOOKING:
www.potentialkids.org/activities

Promoting physical and mental
wellbeing, social interaction and
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www.potentialkids.org





BASKETBALL

POTENTIAL
KIDS

FOR NEURODIVERGENT
CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

BOOKINGS:
potentialkids.org/activities

DATES: 11th May

AGE: 7+ Yrs

TIME: 4-5 pm

COST: £5 plus booking fee

WHERE:

**Birchwood Leisure Centre
Longmead, Hatfield
AL10 0AN**

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