



Important Dates

23rd November	Green Class Swimming Wk 1 of 5
24th November	Dress Down Day– for Raffle Prizes for the Christmas Fayre
1st December	BFG Christmas Fayre. School Hall at 3.20pm
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4th December	Tickets available for the Nativity from the School office
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20th December	Carol Concert - 9.30am at St Peters Church (Parents Welcome)
20th December	School breaks up for Christmas

Week 10

Welcome to this week's newsletter.

This week, we enjoyed a dance workshop, where all the children had the chance to participate in a Diwali dance workshop. The children embraced the opportunity and some moves were definitely seen.

We have continued with the woodland experience and all classes have now had their first session. It is so wonderful to see such enthusiasm and children building on so many skills. I would like to thank Miss Monck for all her hard work, the staff and children for their enthusiasm and all the families supporting us and your children to embrace this experience.

Today we supported Children in Need having a SPOTACULAR day! We have raised £71 so far and would like to thank you all for your support.



Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Munday (Headteacher)

Anti-Bullying Week

Monday 13th November 2023 marked the start of Anti-Bullying Week.



Across the course of the week, children have taken part in activities and learning to support their knowledge of anti-bullying, as well as a whole school write taking place with a diary entry being produced from either the perspective of a bully or a victim of bullying.

Within lessons, the children also explored what bullying is: Causing hurt, harm or humiliation to someone else. This can be either physically, mentally and both. Bullying can be face-to-face or can be by cyberbullying.

At Beaupré we use RID to help us to think about what bullying is:

Repeated and takes place over a period of time.

Imbalance of power (being carried out by more than one person, or one person who is bigger or older, for example).

Deliberate! Doing it on purpose.

If you children experience one or two of the above, although it is not bullying, this is **unacceptable** and **unkind** behaviour which is not OK at Beaupré!



Our Second Woodland Session

Once again, we have experienced another amazing session in our wonderful woodland, with the lovely Woodland Julie.

In the morning, Year 1 explored the area.

They participated in lots of wonderful things, such as:

- Learning how to use mallets safely and some children decided to make the most amazing den by hammering in each post into a circle.
- Using their creativity to make snails using clay, sticks and shells and they also made a giant poppy from leaves for our 1 minute silence in aid Remembrance Sunday.
- Helping to plant willow to 'soften' our pond area and for future use in the woodland
 - Sorting all of our 'mess' into 'waste' and 'useful' piles.
 - Exploring our new mud kitchen which is currently under development.

In the afternoon, it was Year 4's turn.

Their activities included:

- Learning how to use bow saws and hand drills.
- Making 'bug snugs' by creating their own tripods and creating habitat piles underneath.
 - Searching for insects and bugs on their minibeast hunts.
 - Leaf stamping.
- Working as a team to transport large materials to build forts.

Our Forest trained consultant even commented:

"I had the best day. One of the best year fours I have ever taught and I don't say that lightly! Engaged, motivated, creative, engineering and team building. I witnessed it all. True Forest School at its best. "

I too witnessed it all too and it was a pleasure to see.







WE WOULD LIKE TO INVITE YOU TO JOIN YOUR CHILDREN FOR SOME EXCITING OUTDOOR LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES. EACH CLASS HAS BEEN INVOLVED WITH THE SETTING UP OF OUR WOODLAND AND NOW THEY WILL ALL HAVE ANOTHER SESSION WITH OUR FOREST TRAINED CONSULTANT JULIE PORTER.

THE CHILDREN WILL BE EXPOSED TO MANY WOODLAND ACTIVITIES THAT WILL SUPPORT:

**LEARNING TOOLWORK SKILLS
CREATIVE LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES
TEAM WORK
ENGINEERING
CONNECTING WITH NATURE
CARING FOR THE LOCAL ENVIRONMENT
BUILDING RESILIENCE
DEVELOPING CURIOSITY
DEVELOPING INDEPENDENCE
IMPROVED SOCIAL SKILLS
IMPROVED HEALTH AND WELLBEING**

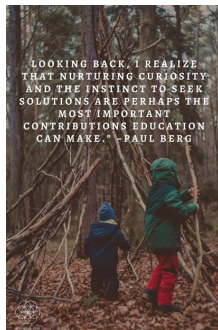


DATE	9.30 – 11.30	1.15 – 3.00
Friday 24 th November	Rainbow Class	Yellow Class
Friday 1 st December	Red Class	Orange Class
Friday 8 th December	Blue Class	Green Class
Friday 15 th December	Purple Class	

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO JOIN YOUR CHILD / CHILDREN ON ANY OF THESE SESSIONS, PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE TO BOOK A PLACE.



Our Wonderful Woodland Information for Families



Our Woodland Project

The concept of Forest Schools has developed from the Scandinavian education system and is about children experiencing the natural world and learning outdoors. Children learn from first hand experiences and will develop skills like perseverance, independence and responsibility which will help to build self esteem. These skills will also help children to achieve more when they are back in the classroom.

We have such an amazing space in our school grounds, that we want to enhance and embrace it, for our children, local community and it's wildlife. Our plan is to ensure that everyone gets the opportunity to learn and explore in this wonderful, unique space regularly.

How can I help?

Make sure your child has the right clothing for the weather.

Talk with your child about what they have done, often they will bring something home to show you.

Support our Wonderful Woodland by donating items that are needed to sustain our project or come along as a volunteer.



What benefits will my child get from participating in our Woodland Sessions?

Outdoor learning supports the holistic development of the child:

- Health and fitness – being active in an outdoor, natural environment
- Emotional wellbeing – being outdoors and among nature has been shown to have a positive effect on our wellbeing
- Social skills – communicating, sharing, negotiating, problem solving, increased confidence
- Skills development – developing fine and gross motor skills and coordination for a real purpose
- Knowledge and understanding – multi-sensory, real life learning, caring for green spaces and wildlife
- Personalised learning - careful observations enable adults to tailor learning around interests and stage of development
- Curriculum links – Our Woodland Sessions will support learning in the Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum and National Curriculum

And we aim to do this whilst having lots of **FUN!**

What should we wear?

Times and dates will be published on the Newsletter as well as reminders sent out by texts. It is really important that your child is warm and dry during their woodland sessions. Children will get muddy, so should bring into school an old set of clothes to get changed into before their session. In cold weather children will need: long sleeved T-Shirt, warm trousers, 2 pairs of socks, warm layers – sweatshirt, jumper, fleece, warm hat, 2 pairs of gloves, waterproof trousers and jacket, wellington boots.

We do have spares and hope to purchase more in due course. Please come and talk to your class teacher if you feel this is something we can help you with.

In warm weather: light cool clothing – long sleeved top, light weight trousers, wellington or other sturdy boots, sun hats, full waterproof gear may be required at times.



What if it's raining?

'There is no such thing as bad weather, only unsuitable clothing'

Our Woodland sessions will go ahead in almost all weathers as long as the children are warm and dry and wearing suitable clothing. Woodland sessions will only be cancelled if high winds, thunderstorms or very bad weather deem it to be unsafe.

Who runs The Woodland?

Miss Monck is the lead in this exciting project and she has had lots of help from Julie Porter (a Level 2 trained Forest School consultant) and Chris Rollason (Deputy Park Manager at Nene Park Trust and responsible for habitat management and conservation). Miss Monck also has the help from our Woodland Working Group which consists of many enthusiastic staff and children. Each Class Teacher will be responsible for planning and delivering each half termly session within the woodland, as well as finding lots of creative ways to take other learning outdoors.



When and where will it take place?

Woodland sessions will take place during the school day and each class will be participating in these sessions at least half termly.

We are very lucky to have our own woodland on site, with a lovely pond area too. The area consists of a fire circle and lots of different areas such as a den building corner, mini beast area and even a well being space with hammocks.

It is a secluded space, which will feel quite different to the areas where the children usually play and learn; a real little wild space for nature. We are also going to be working hard on increasing the bio – diversity (developing and enhancing habitats) of this very special area.

How do we keep the children safe?

The health and safety of all participants is central to everything within a woodland session. In every session, 1 first aider will be in the woodland at all times and all staff involved will be made fully aware of the risk assessment. The site and activities are carefully assessed and the children are given detailed training for all activities.



Part of our Woodland Project is teaching children about risks and how to evaluate them. So the children will be taught about how to use tools safely etc. These activities will be introduced as the children in the group are ready for them and will be carefully supervised by an adult.

By allowing children to take these measured risks, we help to prepare them for making choices when they are older and teach them to be actively responsible for themselves and others, thinking carefully about their choices and actions.



What is a woodland session like?

A Woodland Session will last around 2 hours. During this time the children will usually have time to play some games, sit together around the group circle and discuss what they are going to do. They will then be introduced to the activities for the session.

The Session Leader will give any safety talks and the children will choose their activity. The session will end with another discussion altogether about what they have enjoyed and where they would like to take their learning next.



Woodland activities

Earlier sessions will focus on core skills and safety; establishing boundaries and routines. As the children develop in confidence and familiarity with the environment the sessions focus on the development and consolidation of skills and understanding. We will use tools, make dens, make leaf trails, go on scavenger hunts, make environmental art and mud sculptures and lots, lots more. The school and its local community will be involved in maintaining and developing our Wonderful Woodland area.

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Choir Club - After School

Miss Knight will be holding a free Choir Club after school every Wednesday 3:20-4pm for years 3-6 only. If your child is interested in attending, please complete and return the survey. This will be on a first come, first served basis.

Mobile phones in School

Children bringing mobile phones into school must bring them to the school office each morning. Phones are stored safely and should be collected in person at the end of the school day. School retains no liability for devices brought into school which are lost, damaged or stolen, or are used in a manner against the owner's consent.



Christmas Nativity - KS1

We are pleased that this year, the first in a while, we are able to perform our Christmas Nativity and invite parents/carers to join us on:-

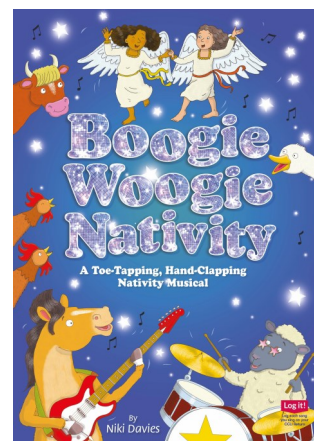
Tuesday 12th December 9.30a.m.

Wednesday 13th December 2.00p.m.

Rainbow, Year 1 and Year 2 are already planning and practicing for this exciting event.

Parent/Carer performances will be for parents/carers of Reception and KS1 children only and will be limited to 3 tickets per family. All attending will need a ticket including children

Tickets will be available from the school office from Monday 4th of December.



Awards & Celebrations

Ollie in Yellow Class raised an amazing £1100 doing a sponsored swim for his friend Hunter and his family.



Edward in Rainbow class won star of the week at football last weekend.

Awards and Celebrations

Attendance

Our attendance figures for the week ending Friday 10th November are as follows:

Gold **Purple 96%**

Silver **Rainbow 94.96%**

Bronze **Green 94.53%**

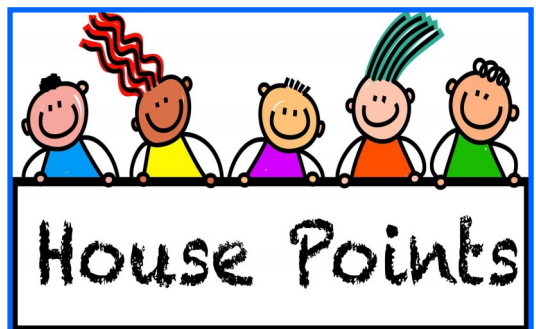


The winner of the 100% attendance prize for week ending Friday 10th November is Harri in Yellow Class.



Above and Beyond

Above and Beyond this week goes to Kaddie in Orange Class for showing respect for school equipment and keeping others safe.



1st Marsh Harriers

2nd Cranes

3rd Kingfishers

4th Swans

Winter Dress Down Day

Friday 24th November 2023

**Come to school in
non-uniform,**



**donate a raffle
prize for the
Christmas Fayre,**

and have fun!





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 **BFG CHRISTMAS FAYRE** 
TOMBOLA'S, RAFFLES,
FUN GAMES, NAME THE ELF
AND YUMMY TREATS WILL BE ON
SALE

£1 entry per family

DECEMBER 1ST

DOORS OPEN

3.20 PM





BFG CHRISTMAS GROTTO

TICKETS FOR SALE ON THE
SCHOOL PLAYGROUND AT 3.15PM
TUES 21ST, WEDS 22ND, THURS 24TH
TUES 28TH AND WED 29TH NOVEMBER
ANY TICKETS LEFT OVER WILL BE SOLD AT THE
CHRISTMAS FAYRE.

TICKETS £5 PER CHILD + ALLOCATED
TIME SLOTS.

LIMITED NUMBER OF TICKETS.



Dates for your diary - New events shown in bold

2023/2024	
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1st December	BFG Christmas Fayre. School Hall at 3.20pm
4th December	Green Class Trip to Stow
4th December	Tickets available for the Nativity from the School office
11th December	Flu Immunisations - Sweep Up Session All Year Groups
12th December	Nativity for Rec & KS1 parent/carers at 9:30a.m
13th December	Nativity for Rec & KS1 parent/carers at 2:00p.m
15th December	BFG Grotto opens at 3:20pm in the School Hall. Time slots to follow
19th December	TL Productions - Order delivery to school
20th December	Carol Concert - 9.30am at St Peters Church (Parents Welcome)
20th December	School breaks up for Christmas
8th January	Children return to school
25th January	Purple Class Swimming Wk 1 of 5
9th February	TL Productions - Last Order date for delivery to school on 15th Feb
15th February	TL Productions - Order delivery to school
16th February	School breaks up for half term
26th February	Children return to school
27th February	Tempest Photography - Class Group Photos
7th March	Blue Class Swimming Wk 1 of 5
22nd March	TL Productions - Last Order date for delivery to school on 28th March
28th March	TL Productions - Order delivery to school
28th March	School breaks up for Easter
16th April	Children return to school
25th April	Red Class Swimming Wk 1 of 5
24th May	School breaks up for half term
3rd June	Children return to school
6th June	Rainbow Class Swimming Wk 1 of 5
12th July	TL Productions - Last Order date for delivery to school on 18th July
18th July	TL Productions - Order delivery to school
19th July	School breaks up for Summer