

Letters home this week: Y5 - Top Up Swimming Lessons, Y5 - Buddhist Temple and National Memorial Arboretum, ALL - Skoolbo Login

What's on in school next week.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Keyboard and Violin Lessons 3.05 Embody Dance Y1-6 3.10 After School Library 3.05 Family Cream Tea	Drum and Guitar Lessons 3.05 Bake Off Club Y5-6 3.05 Aston Villa Club Y1-3	3.05 Circus Skills Club Y3-4	Clarinet Lessons 3.10 After School Library 3.10 Y6 SATS Boosters 3.05 Family Cream Tea	Cello Lessons Swimming Lessons- Maple 3 3.05 Top Score Club Y4-6 3.05 Musical Theatre Y2-6

If your child has not received their copy of these letters or the 'Bugle' please contact their class teacher or the office

REMINDER :Regular hand washing is vital to help stop the spread of harmful germs.

Wellbeing at Birchwood

At Birchwood Primary School, we are committed to supporting the emotional health and wellbeing of our children and staff. We know that everyone experiences life challenges that can make us vulnerable and at times, anyone may need additional emotional support. We take the view that positive mental health is everybody's business and that we all have a role to play.

Birchwood was recently awarded the 'Wellbeing Award for Schools' in recognition for our efforts to make our school a place of emotional wellbeing and support. We are now one of a thousand schools across the country enrolled in the award, which has been developed by Optimus Education in partnership with the National Children's Bureau.

The scheme was led in school by Mrs Webb and Mrs Spies, but involved the whole school community including parents, children, teachers, administration staff, governors and agencies that we work alongside. Through workshops, assemblies, drop in sessions and articles in our newsletters, we have dispelled myths and tackled prejudices to help everyone understand that we all have a mental health, just like we all have a physical health and that there are practical steps that we can take to look after it.

Moving forward we are continuing to work alongside MIND to develop child activities and source staff development opportunities. We are also trialing having family support worker drop in sessions and parenting courses on site so that our local families don't have to travel to Atherstone and Nuneaton to access these facilities. For more information on these services, or for further help and support, or to find out more about our work around wellbeing in school, please visit our wellbeing section on our school website at

www.birchwoodprimaryschool.com

At Birchwood we are very proud of all of our achievements, but the 'Wellbeing Award for schools' is particularly special to us. This underpins all we do at Birchwood and is one of the main reasons we have so many children who love coming to school, staff who love working at school and friends and families of Birchwood who support us in everything we do. I am very appreciative of the role you all play in making our school a thriving and happy place to be.

Thank you.

Mr Coleman - Headteacher



Happiness and Wellbeing!

All photographs can be purchased for £3 per A4 colour copy. Please see ParentPay for details.

Spotlight on Excellence this week is ...

Networks

There are times when we all need someone to **chat to** about those little, or sometimes even those bigger worries we have, or just to share how we are feeling. At Birchwood, we describe the people we feel comfortable talking to at those times, as our network.

It's really important to have a network, rather than just one person in case the first person you go to speak to isn't available, or isn't where you are at the time. For example, if you had a worry in school and your network was only made up of people at home that would be a problem. Similarly, if you were at home and your whole network was made up of people at school you would be stuck!

As part of our work on 'Protective Behaviours', which describes a whole range of things we work on and teach children to help them know how to keep themselves safe, we encourage children to think about their networks and who they would be comfortable talking to, both in school and outside school. We use the idea of a network hand to try to get children to think about 5 people they would be able to talk to if they ever felt worried or unsafe.

Taking time to talk to someone when we feel worried is really important. If someone explains that you are on their network, or asks to talk about their worries with you, take the time to listen to what they have to say. Listening to them could be the little thing that changes their day for the better.

Mrs Day - Associate Headteacher

NEVER LATE CERTIFICATES

'Rewarding children for ALWAYS

getting to school on time'

Each term we award a 'Limited Edition' certificate for children who have never been late that term. Being on time for school is vital. At the start of the day, not only do we take registers, but give out vital instructions for the school day. Children tell us that they really hate being late for school because '**Everyone looks at you**' and '**You don't know what you are meant to be doing**'.

At the start of the day teachers take registers, explain to the children what they will be doing for the day and all sorts of other important instructions about what will be happening around school. After **8.40am** children must enter school through the office entrance to be registered separately.

Wishaw Cricket Club – New players wanted

Last summer we ran Under 9s, Under 11s, Under 13s and Under 15s junior teams in the local Warwickshire Cricket League and we are looking to attract new junior players for this summer so that we can run more teams at both younger and older age groups. We especially want to attract new female players aged 6 - 9 (and older) to join the few girls we already have playing at the club. We find that girls are well suited to cricket with its technical aspects and they are able to compete effectively with boys in mixed teams. Our winter cricket academy is currently running, see details below.

Junior Cricket Winter Academy 2020 - Wishaw CC

Venue – Wilnecote Leisure Centre, Wilnecote School.

Times – Sunday mornings, 9.30am to 10.30am (younger ages) and 10.30am to 11.30am (older players)

Dates - 29th March, 5th & 19th April

Ages – 5 to 15 (other ages considered)

Cost – £4 per child per one hour session.
First 'Taster Session' Free for new players.

New girl players / beginners especially welcome.

Qualified coaches and all equipment provided.



Contact to register and for more information – Steve Hern
07890 138062 or by email: stevenjohern@hotmail.co.uk

Warwickshire & Northamptonshire Air Ambulance. Let us keep this service flying.



Are you planning on having a clear out of your wardrobe? If so, we have a collection point on site for any clothing, bedding, paired shoes, belts and bags if you would like to support our local air

ambulance service. Look for the big yellow collection box to the right of the main school drive. This is emptied on a regular basis and the Air Ambulance Service appreciate all of the donations made. Thank you.



Join our Polesworth Hot Shots Band!

Beginners welcome!

Make new friends!

Learn to play in a band!

Come along for a free trial!



Wednesdays 3.30pm-4.30pm

The Polesworth School

Dordon Road

B78 1QT



Sign up at:

www.hhmusic.co.uk

Tamworth@hhmusic.co.uk

[@hhmusicamtamworth](https://twitter.com/hhmusicamtamworth)

Cross Country Trials

During the week beginning Monday 16th March, all Year 3 and Year 4 children will take part in the Cross Country Trials. They will therefore be required to have their full outdoor P.E kit with them all week, including a pair of socks.



SCHOLASTIC

COME TO OUR
BOOK FAIR!
Your Ticket to Read!

ALL BOOKS HALF PRICE

Our Spring book fair will be open from Tuesday 31st March to Thursday 2nd April after school in the library.

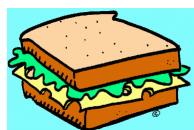
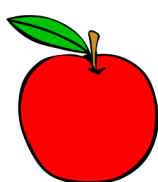
Children who would like to visit our book fair must be accompanied by their adult.

NB. Our school library will NOT be open during Book Fair week after school but will re-open the following week.

Healthy Lunchboxes

Top Tips.....

- Keep children fuller for longer - Base the lunchbox on foods like bread, rice, pasta and potatoes. Choose wholegrain where you can.
- Always add veg - Cherry tomatoes, or sticks of carrot, cucumber, celery and peppers all count towards their 5 A DAY.
- Swap the sweets - Swap cakes, chocolate, cereal bars and biscuits for malt loaf, fruited teacakes, fruit breads or fruit (fresh, dried or tinned – in juice not syrup).
- Get them involved - Get your kids involved in preparing and choosing what goes into their lunchbox. They are more likely to eat it if they helped make it.



Marking and Feedback

Symbol	What does my Teacher mean?
✓	Correct. A good example used.
✗	A cross shows an incorrect answer.
—	A mistake is shown by being underlined.
V	Verbal - Your Learning was talked through with you.
I	Your Learning was Independent.
RR	Read and Respond to comments made.
◆	Well done. You have earned a dojo GEM point.
PP	Well done. You have earned a Presentation Point.

All your work will have the markers initials next to it.

Green pen = Teacher

Black pen = Teaching assistant

Purple pen = Pupil

Green Highlighter = Area to be improved

Please make sure you read and respond to the marking and feedback given to your learning.

Coronavirus

We have been monitoring closely the ever changing situation regarding coronavirus. As you know we have followed Government guidance on the primary strategy of increased hand washing, with regular reminders and class assemblies on this subject. If the government should change the status of the situation from containment to the delay phase of their action plan, the school may close. As part of our contingency plan, we are able to send home a number of resources and direct children to support their learning. We are also looking to use 'skhoolbo' to continue providing education at home over a longer period. Children have been given their personal log in details today in preparation of this.

How can you stop coronaviruses spreading?

If you need to cough or sneeze



Catch it with a tissue



Bin it



Kill it by washing your hands with soap & water or hand sanitiser

You should wash hands with soap & water or hand sanitiser



After breaks & sport activities



Before cooking & eating



On arrival at any childcare or educational setting



After using the toilet



Before leaving home



Try not to touch your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands



Do not share items that come into contact with your mouth such as cups & bottles



If unwell do not share items such as bedding, dishes, pencils & towels

TBPS News

Chocolate Bingo is Back!!

It will take place on Friday 3rd April at 5pm. Full details are on the flyer sent home this week with children and tickets are on sale today.

To streamline our process with ticket sales, make it easier for parents and to reduce the workload for PTA volunteers and the school office, we will be selling tickets online via www.tickettailor.com/events/teambirchwoodprimaryschool1, code CT2020. This website is secure and GDPR compliant.

Tickets are on a first come first serve basis.

Can you help at any of our events?

Please email tbps2619@welearn365.com



Parking

Please may we remind parents/carers that parking is not permitted in the schools car park. Please park courteously on the roads surrounding school. It is also important to ensure that driveways and pavements are not obstructed as this can prove dangerous for other road users, pedestrians and be frustrating for our neighbours.

Thank you for your support and co-operation.



Busy Things

Another great problem solver app for younger children from busy things.



**Our registered charity 2020
ZELLWEGER UK.**

Amount raised so far: £862.51

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CAMEO DANCE EST.2003

**FUN CHILDREN'S DANCE CLASSES HELD IN
POLESWORTH**

Little Dancers from age 2 ½

Tuesdays 4:30 – 5:30pm, The Memorial Hall, Polesworth

Fridays 4:30 – 5:30pm, The Tithe Barn, Polesworth

Juniors from age 7

Tuesdays 5:15 – 7:15, The Memorial Hall, Polesworth

Fridays 5:30 – 7:30, The Memorial Hall, Polesworth

Classes include Ballet, Tap, Acrobatics, Modern plus lots more

FIRST TRIAL CLASS IS FREE! Call Liz 07443421867

Cameo is a great place to build confidence, develop dance skills, and make good friends whilst working towards our annual show weekend

Cameodance.co.uk cameodance@rocketmail.com

Facebook Charlotte Kate Cameo

Please note that although we check the suitability of Applications, they can be changed without notice. Parents should therefore check the Application BEFORE children go on to them.

Academic Year 2019-2020

TBPS Family Cream Tea

Rec Vision Screening

Redwood - Mary Arden's Farm

Pine - Mary Arden's Farm

Kingsbury Swimming Gala

Year 5 Trip to Buddhist Temple

and National Memorial Arboretum

Term Ends for Easter (2 weeks)

Children Return to School

Monday 16th March

Wednesday 18th March

Wednesday 18th March

Tuesday 24th March

Wednesday 25th March

Wednesday 25th March

Tuesday 31st March

Friday 3rd April

Monday 20th April

Summer Term 2020

May Bank Holiday

Half Term (1 week)

Children return to School

Manor Adventure

Professional Development Day

Warwickshire Moving Up Day

Term Ends for Summer

Children return to school

Friday 8th May

Monday 25th May

Monday 1st June

Fri 5th June–Mon 8th June

Friday 19th June

Wednesday 8th July

Friday 17th July

Wednesday 2nd Sept

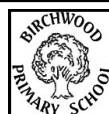
These dates may be subject to change if necessary.

New and amended dates shown in bold.

Details and times to be confirmed nearer each event.

Please note May Day 2020 is on Friday 8th May to mark the 75th anniversary of VE Day.

Please note the 1pm early finish on 17th July. If this will cause you any problems, please speak to a member of staff.



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@BirchwoodPrim or

The Birchwood Website



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