Borrow Wood Primary School Newsletter
Date w/c 7th September 2026
Issue 1

Mrs Bartlett's Box

Welcome back to the new academic year! I hope you have had an enjoyable summer and are ready for the year ahead. I look forward to meeting all of our new starters and welcoming back lots of familiar faces.
I just wanted to take the opportunity to send out some information in advance of the children starting back next week, so everyone can start at their Borrow Wood BEST! In regards to uniform, we are still finalising the PE timetables, so teachers will confirm PE days on Dojo and we will send out a full timetable on the newsletter next Friday.
See you all on **Tuesday 8th September!**



Mrs Bartlett
Head Teacher

School Dinner Price Increase

We are writing to inform you that, from the start of the new school year, the price of a school meal will increase to **£3.35**.
We understand that any increase in costs is unwelcome. This decision has not been taken lightly. However, the cost of providing quality meals which meet government standards has risen significantly, particularly due to increases in food prices and staffing costs. We also accept that we are sharing this news late in the year. Originally, our school meals provider wanted a bigger increase and negotiations have taken some time.
We remain committed to supporting all children and families and will continue to work hard to keep costs as low as possible while delivering a high-quality catering service.

Class Dojo

All families should have moved up to their new classes for this academic year in Class Dojo. If you do not think you are in the right class, or haven't moved up, please get in touch with the school office. If you are new to school, or haven't signed up yet, an invite link will have been sent to you via email. We have also reattached the ClassDojo guidance as a reminder of our policy. Class Dojo guidance.pptx

Health and safety of site

We have had a number of contractors on site over the holidays, completing some exciting (new EYFS floor and upper school roof!) and some not as exciting jobs (new alarm system in lower school and maglocks on some doors in upper school).
The roof is on track to be completed by October half term. You will notice that upper school is surrounded by scaffolding. Access is not affected for any gates or doors but the scaffolding poles do restrict some walkways. The poles are padded with bright yellow foam, but please look up and out and be aware when walking around school and encourage your children to do the same.

Collection and drop off at classroom doors

Just a reminder that this year, we will be tightening up on our collection processes, particularly for KS2. We will be asking parents to collect from **all** classroom doors, with the exception of children in Year 5 and Year 6 who have written permission from parents to walk home alone. Mrs Cooper was working hard behind the scenes at the end of last year to add more permissions onto Arbor to accommodate a variety of different collection options for childminders etc, so look out for those updates. However, we strongly encourage for children to be collected from classroom doors as this will help to improve face-to-face communication, provide more timely feedback and ensure all children are handed over safely. Please see below for the site plans, although we will endeavour to point you in the right direction! Site Plan 2627.pptx

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BRAVE ENGAGED SUPPORTIVE TRUSTWORTHY

Menu week commencing 7th September 2026

WEEK 1	MEAT FREE MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Main dish	Macaronni Cheese	Ham Pizza with baked Wedeges	Toad in the hole with mashed Potato and gravy	Beef Lasagne with Garlic Bread	Crispy Fish Fingers with Chunky Chips
Vegetarian Main dish	Vegetarian Korma with Chicken Style Pieces & 50/50 rice	Cheese & Tomato Pinwheels with baked wedges	Quorn Fillet with roast potatoes & Gravy	Vegetable burger with half a Jacket potato	Falafal & Salad Pitta with chunky chips
Pasta of the day	Tomato & Basil Pasta	Cheesy Pasta	Chicken Pasta	Creamy Tomato Pasta	Tomato and Basil Pasta
Accompaniments	Peas & Brocolli ..... Salad Bar	Sweetcorn & Colslaw ..... Salad Bar	Carrots & Cauliflower ..... Salad Bar	Green Beans & Sweetcorn ..... Salad Bar	Peas and Baked Beans ..... Salad Bar
Desserts	Jelly	Lemon Drizzle Cake	Chocolate Cookie	Jam Oaty Squares with custard	Ice Cream
Fresh fruit or yoghurt	Fresh Fruit Or Yoghurts	Fresh Fruit Or Yoghurts	Fresh Fruit Or Yoghurts	Fresh Fruit Or Yoghurts	Fresh Fruit Or Yoghurts
Jacket potato and sandwich selection	Jacket potato and sandwich selection	Jacket potato and sandwich selection	Jacket potato and sandwich selection	Jacket potato and sandwich selection	Jacket potato and sandwich selection

Term Dates 26/27

	Start	End	Inset days
Autumn 1	04.09.26	23.10.26	04.09.26 07.09.26
Half term: 26.10.26-30.10.26			
Autumn 2	02.11.26	18.12.26	27.11.26
Christmas: 21.12.26-01.01.27			
Spring 1	04.01.27	12.02.27	12.02.27
Half Term: 15.02.27-19.02.27			
Spring 2	22.02.27	26.03.27	none
Easter: 29.03.27-09.04.27			
Summer 1	12.04.27	28.05.27	none
Half Term: 31.05.27-04.06.27			
Summer 2	07.06.27	26.07.27	26.07.27

Uniform

Borrow Wood Primary School is a uniform wearing school. Please ensure that all items of uniform are labelled with your child's name.



Uniform
- White polo shirt
- Borrow Wood jumper/cardigan or navy-blue jumper/cardigan
- Grey or black trousers/shorts/skirts/pinafores
- Blue and white checked dresses can be worn in the summer
- Black sensible shoes (these can be plain black trainers with black soles)
- In summer, the children can wear sandals with socks - this is to protect their toes.

Outdoor Play
At Borrow Wood, we believe that 'there is no such thing as bad weather, just unsuitable clothing'. Please ensure that children have a change of clothes available in school and ideally:
- A pair of wellies
- Outdoor puddle suit or waterproof trousers.



PE
Your child should come to school in their PE kit on their classes PE days.
PE kit:
- White top (t-shirt or polo)
- Black shorts (these can be cycle shorts)
- Black jogging bottoms
- Black leggings
- Black trainers/plimsolls
- Borrow Wood jumper or Borrow Wood hoodie (optional)



All children need to be barefoot for both gymnastics and dance.
Long hair must be tied back for all PE activities.

Jewellery
Children are permitted to wear ***one set of small stud earrings*** at school. These should be taken out by the child during PE. Recently pierced ears should be covered with tape during PE lessons until they can be removed.

Purchasing Borrow Wood School uniform online
We have two suppliers currently for our school uniform.
You can order from Uniformality via their website: www.uniformality.co.uk
Or through Morley's website: www.schoolwearsolutions.com

Uniform pop-up shop
We have lots of second hand uniform available from school. This is all free of charge and available all year round. Please visit the school office and they will show you where to go.