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Weekly Update

ERF In the ERF, the children have worked hard this week on being independent in their Maths lessons. They have enjoyed using manipulatives to consolidate their learning and have used lots accurate language to compare numbers. Well done, everyone!
Nursery We have been making glitter shakers to help us become calm after feeling sad excited or any other big feeling we have. Th children have enjoyed watching the glitter fall and settle in the bottles
EYFS This week in Reception, we have been busy developing our early writing skills! The children have been practising forming their letters carefully and having a go at writing their own names. We have also been encouraging the children to become more independent and have a go at things for themselves!
Year 1 Pear Class have been working hard in art, enjoying lessons around the theme of spirals. They have made observational drawings of shells using pencil and charcoal and explored the use of colours to express emotion in their pictures. I have been so impressed by the focus and creativity of the children and look forward to developing this work more next week.
Year 2 This week, Apple Class have created their own wonderful versions of Jack and the Beanstalk. The children wrote their own alternative endings, replacing the giant with a wicked witch, an evil wizard, a grizzly bear, or a dragon! The children used their imagination brilliantly to create exciting new adventures, thinking carefully about their characters, settings and how their stories would end.
Year 3 Year 3 have started learning French this term. They have enjoyed the new subject and are making good progress with learning the French alphabet.
Year 4 Fir class thoroughly enjoyed their 'working at heights' experience! The children climbed on high ropes, built crate towers and worked as teams to solve practical problems.
Year 5 Year 5 had an incredible time on Wednesday afternoon taking part in a 'Working at Height' workshop. The children's favourite activity was creating a crate stack and having to scale up it - some children went very high up! Keep an eye out on Dojo for pictures and videos over the coming days.
Year 6 In music, we have been listening to: 'The Hall of the Mountain King' By Edvard Grieg (Alton Towers theme). We had great fun adding our own percussion instruments to accompany this wonderful composition. It was extremely loud!!

Mrs Bartlett's Box

It was great to see so many of you at parents' evening this week. There is still time to make an appointment for Wednesday 21st October or message your child's class teacher to arrange another time if needed. We love to share the progress your child is making and make sure that home and school links are as strong as possible. Have a lovely weekend and I look forward to seeing you next week for the last week of term!



Mrs Bartlett
Head Teacher

Poppy Appeal

Next week we will be selling Poppy appeal wrist bands, pencils, reflectors and poppies. We are asking for minimum donation of £1 for the wrist bands pencils and reflectors and any donation for the paper poppies.
Our year 6 students will be selling these at lunch time, or they will be available after school in the school office.

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Office display

We are wanting to change our display in the office and would love some of the children colorings to display. We have printed off the Borrow Wood best logos for the children to colour in. Please come to the school office to collect a coloring sheet and return them to the school office by Friday 23rd October.

Online Safety

A handy link for any advice in starting conversations with your children about their online habits.
https://www.ofcom.org.uk/powerup

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Friends of Borrow Wood



Rocksteady

Our rocksteady teacher George is offering a free trail lesson for students in years 4-6 on bass guitar vocals or keyboard. If your child would like to have a try, please contact the school office and we can arrange this. Unfortunately, we do not have spaces for any of the younger year groups currently.

Opal



NRICH Maths Event

We are delighted to share a fantastic opportunity for parents and carers to join a FREE online webinar on Tuesday 3rd November at 7pm, hosted by **National Numeracy** in partnership with **NRICH**.

This relaxed and friendly session will explore simple, enjoyable ways to support your child's confidence with numbers and maths through everyday conversations, play and family activities.

You do not need any maths knowledge or expertise to join this webinar. Whether you enjoy maths, feel a little out of practice, or would rather avoid it altogether, this webinar is for you. There is no pressure and no maths test, just the chance to sit down with a cuppa, listen, and pick up some practical ideas that can make a real difference.

You'll discover:

Easy ways to spot maths in everyday life

Fun activities that encourage curiosity and confidence

Simple conversation starters to help children think positively about maths

Tips for supporting your child, regardless of your own experience with maths

Developing a positive attitude towards numbers can have a lasting impact on children's learning, and every parent or carer can play a part.

To register, please see the attached flyer and scan the QR code, or click here . A joining link will be sent to you closer to the event, so all you need to do is sign up and add it to your calendar.

Lost Property

We have lots of lost property in the school office with no names. Every day next week we will put the box outside the main school office door please come and have a look if your child has lost anything. Anything left at the end of term will be donated to our school uniform shop.

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Menu week commencing 19th October 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

Calander dates Autumn 1

8th September Year 6 height and weight
29th September Year 6 Magna trip
8th October Flu vaccinations
9th October PTA Reception/KS1 disco
16th October PTA KS2 disco
14th & 21st October Parents evening

Calander date Autumn 2

3rd November Maths workshop
w/c 2nd, 9th & 16th November Swimming
20th November Children in Need
23rd November Individual Photographs
26th November Wear what you want day
4th December Christmas Fair
9th December Rocksteady concert
14th & 15th December KS1 Nativity

ACADEMIC YEAR 2026 - 2027 TERM DATES

Autumn term

Friday 4th September 2026 to Friday 23rd October 2026
Monday 2nd November 2026 to Friday 18th December 2026

Spring term

Monday 4th January 2027 to Friday 12th February 2027
Monday 22nd February 2027 to Friday 26th March 2027

Summer term

Monday 12th April 2027 to Friday 28th May 2027
Monday 7th June 2027 to Monday 26th July 2027

INSET DAYS 2026-2027

Friday 4th September
Monday 7th September
Friday 27th November
Friday 12th February
Monday 26th July

Our Community











