



Borrow Wood Primary School

Newsletter

Date w/c 16th Sept 2025

Issue 1

Weekly Update

ERF We are so proud of how well the children in the ERF have settled into school. It has been wonderful to see the children's interactions with each other, and staff, develop over the last week. Well done Willow and Elm class.

Nursery The children have settled in really well during their first week at nursery, quickly adjusting to the new routines. They're happy, engaged, and already forming lovely relationships with staff and new friends.

EYFS We have had a fantastic first week in Reception. The children have come to school happy and eager to learn and the atmosphere in the unit has been calm and purposeful. The children are already coming together as a class, showing kindness and consideration towards each other and making lots of new friends!

Year 1 What a wonderful week we've had in Pear Class, the children have been fabulous! They have all worked so hard together to learn the routines of the class. The highlights so far... creating circle art using chalk and making rockets in music!

Year 2 It has been lovely to meet all the Year 2 children and they have settled so well! It has been a brilliant first week, and thank you for all your help in supporting them to arrive happy and eager to learn!

Year 3 Maple class have had a great start to the year! The children have worked hard this week and are very helpful in the classroom. I can't wait to see what they achieve throughout this year!

Year 4 Fir class have settled into Year 4 life really well, showing their personalities from day one. It's been a great first week and I've enjoyed hearing all about the children's summer adventures

Year 5/6 We have been busy learning new routines, new names and faces and hearing about everyone's summer. We've started a new "whodunnit" book and are looking forward to finding out who the main suspects are!

Mrs Bartlett's Box

What a brilliant start to the term it has been! The welcome that I have been given by children, parents and staff has been fantastic and I can already feel the strong sense of community that is so important at Borrow Wood. Thank you to everyone who has taken the time to say hello and share a smile - I really do appreciate it! I look forward to getting to know you all more over the coming weeks.

Mrs Bartlett
Head Teacher



Have Your Say - Why Borrow Wood?

Where possible, I like to get a little 'sense-check' on a variety of different topics and I do this through surveys. I promise the surveys will be short but it helps me to get a range of views from all parents and carers, not just those of you who come onto the playground. Please scan the QR code or use the link below to access the survey - I do appreciate your time and feedback.





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Arbor Update

As per our previous communication via email back in July 2025 we have moved to a new management information system (Arbor) which includes a new payment system, parent log in details will be rolled out to parents/carers as soon as possible.

Please bear with us during the first 2 weeks of September, if you pay for school dinners or for the nest provision, we will record the charges, and they will appear on your child's account when the app is up and running.

If you have any questions regarding any of the above, please contact Nicola Molloy, Business Manager in the office or via email:

n.molloy@borrowwood.odysseyct.org.uk

Year 6 Kingswood Residential Trip Update

Thank you to all parent/carers who have returned the consent form for the above trip. We will be sending the 2nd letter out soon regarding the payment schedule.

We will be requesting payment for the non-refundable deposit of £40.00 to be received by the 26th September.

Please bear with us regarding the payment app we will soon update you. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact the school office if you require any further information.

If your child would like to attend the trip and you haven't completed a form, please contact the school office:

admin@borrowwood.odysseyct.org.uk

Your Child's Move to Secondary School 26/27

8 September 2025 - opening date for applications online at www.derby.gov.uk/secondary

(telephone applications open 15/9/25)

31 October 2025 - closing date for applications. Any applications made after this date will be late and considered after all on time applications.

Please contact the school office if you require any further assistance.

Flu Immunisations

If you would like your child to receive the flu vaccine in school this year, please follow this link to complete an online consent form.

If you would like to decline, please complete a no consent form on the attached link. The vaccinations will take place at your child's school on the **13/11/2025**.

The link will close on the **30/10/2025**. If your child has already had the Flu vaccine elsewhere since Sept 2025, please disregard this message.

If you have any problems accessing the link, please telephone 0333 3583 397 option 5 option 2.

[Session Form | eConsent Client](#)



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Menu week commencing 16th September

WEEK 2	MEAT FREE	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Main dish		Margherita pizza with baked potato wedges	Chicken tikka masala with 50/50 rice	Roast chicken with new potatoes & gravy	Italian pasta bolognese	Crispy battered fish & chunky chips
Vegetarian Main dish		BBQ bean & cheese wrap with 50/50 rice	Quorn™ lasagne with herby dough balls	Creamy Quorn™ pie with new potatoes	Vegetable Chow Mein	Vegetarian burger with chunky chips
Accompaniments		Peas & coleslaw Salad bar	Carrots & green beans Salad bar	Broccoli & cauliflower Salad bar	Sweetcorn & carrots Salad bar	Peas & baked beans Salad bar
Desserts		Lemon shortbread	Fresh fruit & ice cream	Marble sponge & custard	Chocolate & orange cookie	Fruit in jelly
Fresh fruit or yoghurt		Fresh fruit <i>or</i> Yoghurt	Fresh fruit <i>or</i> Yoghurt	Fresh fruit <i>or</i> Yoghurt	Fresh fruit <i>or</i> Yoghurt	Fresh fruit <i>or</i> Yoghurt
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

Calendar Dates Autumn 1

Choir Club **every Tues** 3.30 to 4.3pm.
 Gardening Club **every Wed** 3.30 to 4.15pm.
23rd Oct Halloween KS1 Disco 4.00 to 5.00pm.
24th Oct Halloween KS2 Disco 4.00 to 5.15pm.

Calendar Dates Autumn 2

12th Nov Parents' Evening 3.40 to 6.30pm.
19th Nov Parents' Evening 3.40 to 6.30pm
13th Nov Flu Immunisations.
24th Nov Individual Photographs
12th Dec Christmas fair
17th Dec Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day

ACADEMIC YEAR 2025 - 2026 TERM DATES

Autumn term (72 days)
 Thursday 4 September 2025 to Friday 24 October 2025
 Monday 3 November 2025 to Friday 19 December 2025
 Spring term (55 days)
 Monday 5 January 2026 to Friday 13 February 2026
 Monday 23 February 2026 to Friday 27 March 2026
 Summer term (68 days)
 Monday 13 April 2026 to Friday 22 May 2026
 Monday 1 June 2026 to Thursday 23 July 2026

INSET DAYS 2025 - 2026

Thursday 4th September 2025
 Friday 5th September 2025
 Monday 3rd November 2025
 Friday 13th February 2026
 Thursday 23rd July 2026