



Headteacher writes:

"You can't stay in your corner of the Forest waiting for others to come to you. You have to go to them sometimes." - Winnie the Pooh by A A Milne

Tomorrow, is National Winnie the Pooh Day! I think, if I look back at previous newsletters, quotes linked to Winnie the Pooh might make up more quotes than any other one source of quotes... Today's quote, links to the focus of our Dojo assembly this week. We focused on what makes a good friend. The children were very good at identifying what makes someone a good friend. They identified the importance of saying kind words, saying the words in a kind way, doing kind things and looking at people in a kind manner. Like a lot of our assembly areas of focus - these are skills that will last for a lifetime.

The wisdom of Winnie the Pooh should not be lost;

"Some people care too much. I think it's called love."

"People say nothing is impossible, but I do nothing every day."

"Rivers know this: there is no hurry. We shall get there some day."

"If the person you are talking to doesn't appear to be listening, be patient. It may simply be that he has a small piece of fluff in his ear."

I do wonder if Winnie the Pooh may be able to solve most problems we could face in life!

Yours in partnership,

Mike, Headteacher

Parking and Driving

This week, I contacted the council to raise concerns about driving and parking in the area. The markings around the Infant school, in particular, are a significant issue. Not being able to see the road markings clearly is increasing the risks to pedestrians in the area. If you would like to support these markings being renewed and reviewed, please add your comments here; [The road markings are unclear and inaccurate around the school area causing significant issues with driving and parking. - Viewing a problem :: FixMyStreet.](#)

Thank you to the anonymous person who has focused this around drivers rather than cars. In my original post, I stated cars park but the updated post is quite right, drivers park and are responsible.

Phonics

This week, we held Reading workshops for parents/carers of children in Reception and Year 1. If you would like to know more about supporting your child with Phonics and Reading, you can use this link to the Little Wandle website, where there is lots of helpful information about how to help support your child with their Phonics and Reading.

[For parents | Letters and Sounds](#)



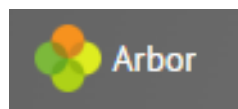
Share Our Learning Evenings

We will be holding our Share Our Learning evenings on **Wednesday 5th March and Thursday 6th March from 3.30pm at the Infant school and 3.40pm at the Junior school.** This is a 10 minute appointment for you to speak with your child's class teacher and to look at the work they have completed so far this year.

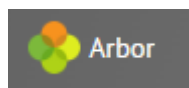
This is an important meeting to help your child with their learning.

Booking will be made through the Arbor app, if you have not set this up already, please do so to be able to make a booking. The booking system will open at 8.30am on 22nd January and close at 3.30pm on 12th February. If you need help setting up the app, please contact the school offices.

Thank you.



Arbor Parent App



At the beginning of this term, you would have received an email from Arbor with your log in details to access the parent portal and app.

This app will now be used for payments for breakfast club and after school clubs. We will also be using it for you to book parent consultations such as Share our Learning evenings.

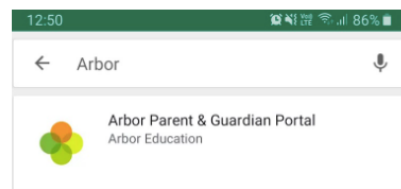
We may also be trialing this app for our teacher run after school clubs for Term 4.

This app is essential for you knowing how to pay and book onto events. Please refer back to the email you received and set up your app. If you are unable to do this for any reason, please contact the school offices.

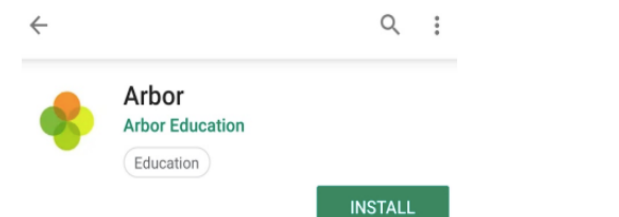
Downloading the Parent App

Android

Go to your Play store and search for 'Arbor'. Click the top option.

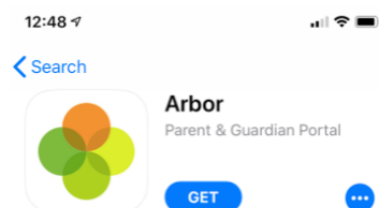


Click **Install** to download the Parent App. Once it has installed, click **Open**.



iOS

Go to your App Store and search 'Arbor'. Click the top option. Click **Get** to download the Parent App.



Dates for your Diary

Infant School

Friday 14th February—Last day of Term 3
Wednesday 5th March—Share our Learning Evening 3.30-6pm
Thursday 6th March— Share our Learning Evening 3.30-6pm
Friday 28th March—Inset Day
Monday 31st March—Inset Day
Friday 23rd May—Inset Day

Junior School

Friday 14th February—Last day of Term 3
Wednesday 5th March—Share our Learning Evening 3.30-6pm
Thursday 6th March— Share our Learning Evening 3.30-6pm
Friday 28th March—Inset Day
Monday 31st March—Inset Day
Friday 23rd May—Inset Day

Weekly Celebrations

	Dojo Hero 	Pot of Gold 		Dojo Hero 	Gold Card
Class	Infant School		Class	Junior School	
Badger	Yusuf		Apple	Aleena	Oscar, Ela
Rabbit	Ibrahim	Simone	Pear	Jacob L	Usman, Ayah
Squirrel	Ariah	Ehsaan, Richie	Cherry	Rhakye	Abdinor, Lyra
Bumblebee	Theo S	Theo S, Ren	Acer	Cassie	Alana, Kamir
Hedgehog	Aisha		Rowan	Hattie	Henry, June, Cameron
Otter	Jazmine	Hester	Cypress	Lana	Zayn, Lottie
Owl	Reggie	Mateo, Bonnie, Mina, Muhammad A	Hawthorn	Simeon	Mu'adh, Kamsi
Fox	Nadia		Sycamore	Victoria	Aleena, Meena
Ducklings		Reuben	Maple	Joseph	Jasvinder, Crystal
Woodlands			Ash	Alfie-clai	Hassnain, Hibah
			Whitebeam	Josh A	Isabelle, Josh S
Congratulations to this weeks winners!			Oak	Zaiyan	Ollie, Abdullah

Class	Weekly Attendance	Class	Weekly Attendance
Badger	95.4%	Apple	95.5%
Rabbit	93.8%	Pear	94.8%
Squirrel	83.8%	Cherry	99.6%
Bumblebee	96.1%	Acer	89.8%
Hedgehog	95.7%	Rowan	98.6%
Otter	93.6%	Cypress	95.6%
Owl	92.2%	Sycamore	89.9%
Fox	90.9%	Hawthorn	91.6%
		Maple	96.2%
		Whitebeam	93.2%
		Ash	89.9%

Celebrate the ancient tradition of blessing the apple trees through song and merry making.

What is a Wassail?



Watch our video from last year



Hillfields Park, BS16 4EH

Hot drinks | Cake

Singing | Morris Dancers

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ROOTS TO WELLBEING AT HILLFIELDS



Connect with nature through this NEW 4 week programme!

Fridays

10.30am-1pm

24th, 31st Jan & 1st, 14th Feb

Hillfields Community Garden

Roots to Wellbeing is a nature-based health & wellbeing support group for anyone struggling with mental health or finding life challenging.

Sessions involve a free lunch & reflection, mindfulness, sensory activities, simple craft activities & gardening.

Open to all over 18 years & any one who supports them.

Register or find out more

roots@yourpark.org.uk

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<https://yourpark.org.uk/rootstowellbeing>

Referrals welcome any time. This course will run in January, March and May 2025

