



Newsletter

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Boswell Road Lower Westwood
Bradford on Avon BA15 2BY



BBC Wiltshire Breakfast's Ben Prater and the Westwood Broadcasting Team

Hello again and welcome back to the Summer term of It's been a very busy couple of weeks in school with lots to report back on and lots to look forward to as we approach the final week of this very short term.

Last week we could not have been prouder of Finn, Isabel, William, Freddie M, Freddie P, Georgia and Lizzie as they undertook their SATs. As always this is something that has the potential to be a stressful time, but our children approached the week with such optimism and enthusiasm and it was lovely to see how they came together every morning at their SATs breakfast club with a smile on their faces, taking everything in their stride. Well done everyone, the tests only tell a fraction of the huge range of skills that you have and we are incredibly proud of you all for the young people that you have become. Once again, my huge thanks to the staff for ensuring that each and every day was fun and positive. I am very proud of the team we have here at Westwood School.

Clover class also had an exciting week last week with a visit from Wessex Water, which was perfect for their topic, Water World. The children asked some fantastic questions and learnt a lot about how we use our water, how to conserve water and what happens to our water when it leaves our homes. Another wonderful opportunity for the children to learn from a visiting expert.

The end of last week saw huge excitement, particularly for our fantastic broadcasters as we welcomed BBC Wiltshire Breakfast's Ben Prater, who joined us for our radio show.

Ben took time out of his very busy schedule to visit our school and take part in the entire live show, giving us all a masterclass in microphone technique and joining in the fun and excitement of being on air to the community and the world. Ben also kindly agreed to be interviewed by Josh and Dan live on air and even presented the weekend weather for us, which the children loved watching and listening to and learnt a lot from.

Our huge thanks to Ben for making our afternoon so special – it was a wonderful experience for us all and so good to see how it's done by the professionals. I know that some of our amazing children will be aspiring to presenting and broadcasting as they get older. Well done everyone, you were a credit to our school and so professional. Another superb show. You can listen again to the show and all of our other broadcasts on our Soundcloud page <https://soundcloud.com/westwoodradio> and we should be in this week's Wiltshire Times with a photograph and article!

Looking ahead to the final week of term we have our brilliant swimmers from Lotus and Orchid class taking part in a swimming gala next Wednesday, so good luck to everyone! Weather permitting, we will also be holding our Sports Day on Thursday, so do please join us from 1.30pm for a traditional afternoon of light hearted and enjoyable community fun.



Then to our last day of term, we will be holding our first ever Race for Life in aid of Cancer Research at 3.15pm on the school field. If you haven't yet returned your consent form, please do so as soon as possible and can I please remind you that we have a donation page on

<http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/wwipschool>.

Cakes and drinks will be available afterwards, along with medals for taking part. I hope to see as many of you there as possible.

In the meantime, have a wonderful weekend.

Ian Rocky

SAINSBURY'S VOUCHERS



Please remember to bring in any Active Kids vouchers you may have collected.

The teachers and children are looking forward to choosing resources for our school.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Please remember to bring your photo orders to school by Monday 22nd May. After this date, you will need to contact Tempest Photography Directly. Details can be found on your order form.

SHORTS

If your daughter is wearing a summer dress or skirt to school, please could you ensure that they also wear some black P.E. shorts. This helps to avoid any embarrassment during playtime, whether cartwheeling or using our new apparatus.

DATES FOR TERMS FIVE & SIX

Monday 22nd May - Orchid Class Trip to Salisbury Museum @ 8:30am

**Wednesday 24th May
Swimming Gala @ A.M.**

**Thursday 25th May
Sports Day @ 1:30pm**

**Friday 26th May
Back up Sports Day @ 1:30pm**

Race for Life @ 3:15pm & Tea with the Head.

HALF TERM

**Monday 5th June – TD Day
School Closed**

Tuesday 6th June – BACK TO SCHOOL

Orchid Class Trip to Royal Mint Experience @ 8:30am

**Monday 12th June
Induction Evening for Reception
September 2017 @ 6pm**

**Friday 16th June
Father's Friday**

**Monday 19th June
KS1 Multiskills Festival @ Fitzmaurice**

**Thursday 22nd June
Back up Sports Day 2**

BIRTHDAYS



Happy Birthday!



FRIENDS OF WESTWOOD SCHOOL UPDATE

100 Club

This month there were 2 100 club draws with the following winners:

May monthly draw - Westwood Costcutter winning £32
Mid term bonus draw - Mrs N Withers winning £50

Summer Fair

Our Summer Fair will be taking place on **Saturday 8th July**. We have lots of fun activities and stalls planned making it an unmissable family afternoon. If you are able to help set up or run a stall, if only for a couple of hours, please contact the FoWS Team.

Future FoWS Events:

- Westwood Scarecrow Trail – May Half Term week
- Summer Fair – Saturday 8th July
- Kid’s Disco Night –18th July

Please support us in raising money for our school.

email: fowschair@westwoodwithiford.org



Dear All

The scarecrow trail is fast approaching – it’s a fun family event which takes place over half term and raises much needed funds for our school and Westwood Nursery School.

Maps are on sale from Westwood Shop throughout half term from Saturday 27th May to Sunday 4th June at £3 each – the theme this year is family films and we will have 30 fantastic scarecrows to guess along the trail.

Thanks so much to all those of you who are creating scarecrows for this.

We would like to make this the best scarecrow trail yet, and to raise as much money as we can for the school and nursery. Please could you also all help us in other ways?

Spread the word

Please spread the word to friends and family and encourage as many people as possible to come along and buy a map to the trail. The poster is attached with all the info if you can send on to friends and family.



Please like us on facebook (westwoodscarecrowtrail) and follow us on twitter (@wwscarecrows). If you follow us on social media, you’ll see next week that we’ll be encouraging everyone to talk about their own favourite family film – please do join in and tell us yours!

Bake cakes

This year, we’ll be serving refreshments on Saturday 27th and Sunday 28th May 10am to 3pm. These will be served from the nursery as a mid-point on the trail, but the profits will be split as usual between school and nursery (nursery parents are helping and making cakes too).

Any offers to make cakes (cupcakes/tray bakes and large sponge cakes or fruit cakes) for this would be very gratefully received. Please email: westwoodscarecrows@yahoo.co.uk or catch one of us in the playground to let us know if you can help. Cakes can be left at school on Friday 26th May and we will transport them to nursery, or you can drop them on either Saturday or Sunday directly at nursery between 9.15am and 10am.

Thank you for your help in making the trail a success.

Lilly, Bryony, Jo H, Rachel & Helen

Scarecrow Trail Organisers

WESTWOOD 2017
"FAMILY FILMS"
SCARECROW TRAIL

MAY HALF TERM WEEK
SAT 27 MAY - SUN 4 JUN



Play Park:
Bring a picnic

Bank Holiday weekend: pop-up refreshments available

Trail maps £3 from Westwood Stores (BA15 2BU)
ENTER OUR GREAT PRIZE DRAW
FREE PARKING at Westwood Social Club
WWW.WESTWOODNURSERY.ORG/SCARECROW-TRAIL
ALL PROCEEDS TO WESTWOOD NURSERY & WESTWOOD WITH IFORD SCHOOL

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 @wwoodscarecrow

***SAVE THE
DATE...***



Westwood ^{with} Iford School

**SUMMER
FAIR**

Saturday 8th July

OUT & ABOUT

BRADFORD ON AVON DAY OF MORRIS DANCE 20th MAY 2017



The day is in aid of [Dorothy House](#) and has all the makings of a great family day out, we have:

Up to 30 dance sides, 300 dancers and 100 musicians dancing non-stop all day at eight locations around the town centre. Lots of opportunity for adults and children to try Morris dancing.

Live traditional music in eight town centre pubs including English, Irish/Scottish and French sessions, try French traditional dancing. They all serve great food so why not have lunch as well.

A market on Victory Field with 39 stalls mixing local artisan produced goods, community stalls showcasing the activity of local groups and a fast food area with a mix of international foods as well beer, cider and gin bars. Have your face painted, try a traditional foot operated woodturning lathe or get a really close look at the town's big red fire engine.

Morris themed window dressing in town shops – follow the trail.

We are also hoping to arrange short boat trips on the canal, watch for updates on the web site.

There is an event car park at the Tithe Barn, BA15 1LF

The day starts with opening dances at 10.30am at the Tithe Barn. Don't miss our massed parade of all dancers and musicians at the Tithe Barn at 4.30pm, finishing with a massed dance or two - it's going to be loud, chaotic and something you won't forget in a hurry!



TROWBRIDGE MUSEUM

- 30th May- Brilliant Bird Feeders
In this workshop, you will be making treats to make the birds tweet. Suitable for all ages under 8s must be accompanied by an adult.

Sessions at 10:30, 11:10, 11:50 and 1:30 and 2:10.

- 31st May- Garden Guardians
Decorate a kitchen utensil and turn them into a guardian for your garden.

Sessions at 10:30, 11:10, 11:50 and 1:30, 2:10, 2:50.

- 1st June- Magic Beans (Sensory garden)
Can you grow your beans as high as jack? In this fairy-tale themed workshop, you will decorate your pot and take home your very own magic bean. Suitable for all ages, under 8s must be accompanied by an adult.

Drop in from 10:30- 3:30.

- 2nd June- Whizzy Windmills
Decorate your garden and get into the summer mood by making whirly whizzy windmills. Suitable for 6+, under 8s must be accompanied by an adult.

Sessions at 10:30, 11:10, 11:50 and 1:30, 2:10, 2:50.

HALF TERM WORKSHOPS in Bradford on Avon & Frome

NEW WORKSHOP!
MAKE & BAKE YOUR OWN JEWELLERY

Come and cook up some fab new wearable art, using polymer clay and our portable oven. We'll show you techniques for sculpting loads of lovely clay colours into your new favourite fashion accessory. Or make cool badges or buttons to wear on your jacket.

Tues 30 May at Girl Guide HQ in Bradford
2pm til 5pm - £15 - 9 years or over

**GRAFFITI STYLE ART
ON T-SHIRTS OR BAGS**

Your mission: in just two hours, cover a white t-shirt, draw-string or tote bag with graffiti art, using masking techniques, spray paint (non aerosol) & fabric markers.

Thurs 1 June at C&G in Frome (book at C&G)
Fri 2 June at Girl Guide HQ in Bradford
Both venues 2pm til 4pm - £10



[/MakeItFunWorkshops](#)
To book your workshop place or ask about parties email claire@makeitworkshops.com or call 07940 497848

MAKE it!
FUN WORKSHOPS FOR MAKING COOL STUFF



West Wilts Water Activities Day 2017
(Incorporating Cake By The Lake)



You are invited on
SATURDAY JUNE 10th
10 am to 3 pm
for a fun day with

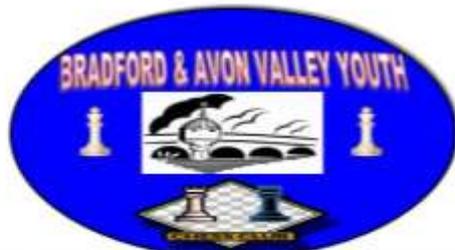
- Dinghies
- Canoes
- Kayaks
- Paddleboards
- BBQ lunch
- Cakes
- Competitions
- & hopefully sunshine!



Water Activity Pass £3
BBQ & salads £5
Salad & Cake donations please
All proceeds split between
WWYSA &



RSVP: secretary@wwysa.org.uk



Bradford & Avon Valley Youth Chess Club
Beginners and experienced players age 8 - 16yrs
New members welcome to start this term!

When? Tuesdays
2/5/17 to 23/5/17
6/6/17 to 11/7/17

Where? St Nicholas Church Hall
Winsley.
BA15 2 LH

How much does it cost? £3 per session paid in advance termly.
6.15pm- 7.30pm
Free Taster Session for new members

Who will be there?

Sessions will be led by our chess coach Paul Girdlestone, a qualified 'Chess in Schools and Communities' instructor and a strong, very experienced chess player himself who holds an enhanced DBS Certificate. Regular parent helpers, DBS checked, will be on hand to make the sessions go smoothly and provide hot drinks for parents and a drink/biscuit for the children. Parents welcome to stay and watch or drop off children for the session.

For further information please contact:

Paul Girdlestone (Lead Coach) (e) paul.girdlestone@gmail.com (t) 0795800095 (Paul)
Sarah Gittle (Secretary) (e) sarahgittle@btinternet.com (t) 01225 862619 (Sarah)
Maki Kominsky (NJC Events Secretary) (e) m.kominsky@btinternet.com (t) 01225 762966 (Maki)

Like us on Facebook: Bradford & Avon Valley Youth Chess Club.

The Booksters!

New book group run exclusively
for readers in years 5 & 6
at Trowbridge Library



One Monday a month 4:00 – 4:30

24 April
22 May
19 June
17 July
14 August
11 September
9 October
6 November
4 December

BOOKING REQUIRED.

For more information contact Trowbridge Library
01225 716700

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