



# BEARWOOD Primary and Nursery School

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## *Learning, Enjoying & Succeeding Together*

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Year 5 Camping Residential Trip

I am writing to let you know about the **exciting residential trip** that we would like to run for Year 5, **Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2026.**

The one-night residential stay is designed to encourage children to enjoy the outdoors, learn new skills, have fun and learn in a different learning environment. Miss Hawkins will be leading the trip alongside Mr Blake – a parent of our school and a highly experienced outdoor leader who has a lot of experience running camping trips through the Scouts.

#### Where?

Our plan is to take Year 5 on an overnight stay at a local scout camp called Butchers Coppice, which is in Bear Cross. <https://www.butcherscoppice.org.uk/>

**An information meeting is planned for Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May at 3:45pm** – This is an opportunity to find more about the trip and what it involves.

#### Planned Itinerary:

The children will be staying in tents on the Thursday night and will undertake a number of activities over the course of their stay. These include crate stacking, bushcraft, 'Cavebus' (tunnelling) and shelter building. The activities are designed to be fun for the children but to also help build their confidence by trying new things whilst working cooperatively with each other.

<b>Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2026</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Arrive at school at normal time, by 9am, in comfortable active-wear</li> <li>• Fun active morning on the Bearwood school field</li> <li>• Children to travel via minibus to Butchers Coppice after lunch</li> <li>• Evening meal provided</li> <li>• Overnight stay in tents</li> <li>• Please provide a packed lunch. If you have ordered a hot school meal, a packed lunch will be provided for you.</li> </ul>
<b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2026</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakfast provided</li> <li>• Activity day at Butchers Coppice</li> <li>• Lunch Provided</li> <li>• Children to be collected between 3:30 and 4pm.</li> </ul>



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The site is very secure for the children but will also give them a sense of freedom outdoors. We are very excited about this trip and would encourage all to attend the overnight stay.

Our evening meal will be sausage and chips from a local shop. Breakfast will be a selection of cereal, pastries and fruit. All dietary requirements will be catered for so if your child requires an alternative choice or has any food intolerances, please let the office know. Children will have their usual school/packed lunch on Thursday.

There are multiple clean toilet and washing facilities on site as well as a covered area for the children to undertake activities if the weather is not friendly to us.

### Cost?

The cost of the trip will be **£37.50** which includes all activities, an overnight stay with evening meal, breakfast the following morning and snacks.

If your child is eligible for the Pupil Premium Grant and this cost will be a challenge, please come and speak to Mrs Goodfellow, who will be able to subsidise this payment. If you are not currently registered as Pupil Premium but believe you may be eligible, please speak with Mrs Goodfellow, our Pupil premium lead.

To enable us to finalise numbers and book relevant accommodation, **we ask that you pay a £10 deposit by no later than Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May**. Alternatively, you can pay the full amount by this date, if this is preferred. We can offer a payment plan should parents wish to spread the cost by paying on a weekly basis. Payments can be made via MCAS; please select 'Products' rather than 'Trips' on the drop down menu.

We know that the children will gain so much from this residential experience and hope they will be able to make the most of this opportunity.

Yours sincerely



Miss Hawkins  
Year 5 Class Teacher



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