



# BEARWOOD Primary and Nursery School

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## *Learning, Enjoying & Succeeding Together*

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

### **Pencil Case Expectations – Y5 & Y6 (Maple Base) September 2026**

As we approach the new academic year, we would like to inform you of some new expectations regarding the equipment that your child will need to bring to school from September 2025. Due to the current budget constraints, we are facing significant challenges in providing all the necessary resources for our children's learning. To support our efforts to maintain the high standard of education we strive for, we are continuing our expectation that all children in Maple Base will need to bring their own pencil case from September. Having your child bring their own equipment will greatly assist us in ensuring they have the necessary tools to continue their learning as well as prepare them for Secondary School.

We also recognise the pressure that parents sometimes feel to buy high value items for pencil cases. These new expectations will reduce this pressure to buy expensive items.

To ensure that your child's pencil case is organised and easily identifiable, please ensure that it has their name clearly written on it. The following items are essential:

- Clear pencil case - example <https://www.tesco.com/shop/en-GB/products/279412886> - £1.00
- **A black biro** - example <https://www.tesco.com/shop/en-GB/products/280554820> - £0.50 for 10 (This will need replenishing over the year)
- A pencil - example <https://www.tesco.com/groceries/en-GB/products/257179890> - £1.00 for 12
- A ruler - example <https://www.tesco.com/shop/en-GB/products/271277113> - £.0.35
- A rubber - example <https://www.tesco.com/groceries/en-GB/products/308410913> - £0.35 for 2
- A pencil sharpener - example <https://www.tesco.com/groceries/en-GB/products/252861435> - £0.40
- Colouring pencils (not felt tips) - example <https://www.tesco.com/shop/en-GB/products/295246494> - £2.00 for 12
- Dry wipe board pen and rubber
- A glue stick (optional)

The examples above are from Tesco but you can purchase similar items from various stores and perhaps at a more competitive price.

**We ask that children do not bring in gel pens or rubbers with a fragrance as there is no need for them in school.**

Please note that we will provide additional support for children who may struggle to obtain these items. However, having your child bring their own equipment will greatly help us to maintain the quality of their learning experience.



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If your child receives Pupil Premium funding and you would like support purchasing these items, please complete the form via the link below. If you believe your child is now eligible to receive Pupil Premium, please visit our website for further details.

***Pupil Premium Entitlement information***

<https://www.bearwood.poole.sch.uk/school/pupil-premium>

We appreciate your cooperation and understanding in this matter. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully



Mrs Smith  
Headteacher



Pupil Premium support with purchasing pencil case items - [Pupil Premium Support with purchasing pencil case items - Y5 and Y6 \(September 2026\) – Fill in form](#)

**Please complete form before Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2026**



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