



# BEARWOOD Primary and Nursery School

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## *Learning, Enjoying & Succeeding Together*

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Year 4 Camping Residential Trip

I am writing to let you know about the **exciting residential trip** that we would like to run for Year 4, **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> April – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April 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 Rogers 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.

This residential trip will form part of a wider experience 'themed week' for Year 4, who will become 'Earth Defenders' as the camping experience will follow a research activity on habitats and endangered species, an art day using recycled materials and a day trip to Brownsea Island.

#### **Where?**

Our plan is to take Year 4 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 12<sup>th</sup> March 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 the Friday. These include crate stacking, climbing, archery 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 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2026</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Arrive at school at normal time, by 9am</li> <li>• Day trip to Brownsea Island, via minibus, returning to school by 3:30pm</li> <li>• After school activity session at school (children to remain with staff)</li> <li>• Arrive at Butchers Coppice, via minibus, around 5pm</li> <li>• Evening meal provided</li> <li>• Overnight stay in tents</li> </ul>
<b>Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April 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 at 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. A packed lunch will be required on the Thursday. Children will be provided with a packed lunch on the Friday.

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 **£45** which includes all activities, an overnight stay with evening meal, breakfast the following morning and snacks.

To enable us to finalise numbers and book relevant accommodation, **we ask that you pay a £10 deposit by no later than Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March**. 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.

### Parents Information Meeting

Miss Rogers and Mr Blake will be holding a parents' information meeting to discuss the arrangements for the trip and answer any questions you may have. This will take place on **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March at 3.45pm**.

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 Rogers  
Year 4 Class Teacher



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