



The Dates for the Diary will be sent out separately this this week.

Teachers Star of the Week	
Beech	Whole class for Wriggly Nativity
Elm	Whole class for Wriggly Nativity
Maple	Whole class for Wriggly Nativity
Larch	Isaac
Chestnut	Henry
Pine	Mason
Oak	CharlieL

We strive to achieve 100% attendance. Our Attendance Policy is on the Website:

Our attendance as a school is **94.7%**

The winter season and recent illness has reduced our attendance; but throughout the term since September, we have had good attendance above 95%, which we can all be proud of. We will be celebrating class and school attendance in our final Assembly on Friday.

BRITISH VALUES:

Here are the British Value Award Receivers:

Demonstrating British Value of the week (there was a staggered start) Mutual Respect	
Larch	Lila
Chestnut	Oscar
Pine	Charlie
Oak	Marcia

Ask your children to explain how they demonstrate each award.

Staff information:

Over the last term, we and said a fond farewell to Nicky Bevan and will thank Mrs Scott for her excellent teaching and contributions at Berry Hill.

Miss Clare Heuston has joined Elm on a Friday, Miss Charlene Lewis replaced Nicky Bevan in Acorns and we have new Mid-Day supervisors Mrs Picthall and Mrs Walters.

From January 2023, we have two further exciting additions to our team: Year 6 teacher Miss Amy Harris, who has been in getting to know Oak Class and Berry hill and course Mrs Amy Pugh. Mrs Pugh is chomping at the bit to start and has been in and around school meeting children, parents and is keen to meet you all in due course in January.

DATE	CALENDAR
12/12	School closed due to freezing overnight conditions; site and surrounding safety
13/12	Infant Christmas INFANT only Jumper Day
14/12	Carol Service 10:00am - 10:45am Christchurch
	Junior Christmas JUNIOR only Jumper Day
16/12	Break up at end of school 3:15 or 3:20

Our School Office is open from 8.30-3.15pm Monday-Friday during term time. Contact is preferred by telephone 01594 832262, or email admin@berryhill.gloucs.sch.uk

FIT15

FIT15 Star of the Week	
Beech	Nevaeh
Elm	FlorenceN
Maple	Oly
Larch	Lara
Chestnut	-
Pine	Orla
Oak	Charlie-Mae

Forest Food Bank

We would just like to say a very BIG thank you to Forest Food Bank this year for supporting families at Berry Hill with Christmas Food hampers and vouchers.

A reminder that the Forest Food Bank is there to support families that are finding the added rise in house hold bills a real challenge and not just those who are on Free School Meals and other benefits.

Christmas Fair

Thank you for attending the busy and festive Christmas Fair organised by the Verry Hill Friends. It made between £900 - £1000 and each class have topped up their End of Year Treat Fund by between £7.40 and £19 - this is fantastic as it will all go back to activities or treats for the children.



WRIGGLY NATIVITY



The performances – first since December 2019 – were absolutely **amazing** and have displayed hard work, dedication and lots of singing and learning from the children and staff in KS1. **Well done and thank you for starting the festive season off with such fun and festive wriggly dancing and singing.**

Buddies Breakfast and After-School Club
Reminder any bookings for **next term** must be made **by 12pm on Friday 16th December**. After this time there will be no more bookings for the first day back in 2023.

Book and Cancel by emailing:
buddies@berryhill.gloucs.sch.uk

BOOK PLACES for the following day, you need to contact us **BY 12 NOON on the previous day**. This includes booking for a Monday morning by noon on Friday. Places cannot be booked after this, and if a place has not been booked, please do not come as we have set staff/pupil ratios and we have to say your child cannot stay.

Payment **MUST** be received prior to attendance – non-payment will result in no further bookings until payment is up to date.

CANCELLATION: if you have booked a place, you no longer need, please cancel by **12 NOON BEFORE THE SESSION** your child should be attending so we can offer to a family on the waiting list. None, or late cancellation will be charged. Please see further information on the Buddies tab of the Website.



HOPE RESCUE School Council's Charity Choice

<https://www.hoperescue.org.uk/>

So far, we have received some fantastic items; any old and unwanted blankets and towels are now the remaining items that will help.

Thank you.
School Council.

We would like and welcome new Acorns to enjoy the fantastic teacher-led, integrated Pre-School for children and 3 upwards. We welcome all enquiries; please and arrange a visit.

admin@berryhill.gloucs.sch.uk

Are you interested in your child joining our Acorns Pre-School? Come and look for yourselves as we welcome visits and would be proud to share with you, our excellent Pre-School provision.

Acorns is staffed by experienced Early Years experts and run by our Early Years Supervisor, Mrs Debbie Watkins. Children in Acorns Pre-School are carefully integrated with our Reception Class (Beech) and so provides an all-through, high quality Early-Years' experience for our youngest learners.

Places are available for children from the term after their 3rd birthday (EYs funded) and from their 3rd birthday (paid). Early Years funding and Employee Vouchers are accepted. Please email our School Office at the email address above for more information. See the Acorns tab on the school website for more information, or call 01594 832262 to talk to our administration Team.

SCHOOL UNIFORM A full range of our school uniform is available from Mapac Group Ltd parentcustomerservices@mapac.net or telephone **01923 255525**. Alternatively, there is ordering information available on our school website (see documents on the bottom of the Home Page, and also on the SCHOOL LIFE tab/UNIFORM). Orders can be paid by either credit or debit card. Delivery to school or home is offered. Our School Uniform Policy is available on the school website (see POLICIES tab).