

Monday 9th December 2019

Dear Parents / Carers,

I am delighted to be able to offer opportunities for children to attend various Outdoor Clubs during the next half term. Please find the timetable for these overleaf. The grounds provide us with plenty of space that will allow children to learn a mix of skills including end of season gardening responsibilities, key wildlife restoration skills, wild cooking and crafting.

Each early morning club is limited to a maximum of 10 children except Green Heroes which will be limited to 12 children. If more children apply, names will be picked from a hat. These clubs will be running throughout the school year so any children who do not gain a place this half term will be given priority at this club in the future. As some children may be disappointed if they are not offered a place at a club, we hope that children who are selected will show a commitment to attending all the dates scheduled.

If attending an early morning club an adult should accompany children to meet me on the Courtyard. If arriving late, adults should accompany their child to come and find us in the grounds. Children should be dressed in their wellies and suitable outdoor clothing (some areas are very muddy) and will be given an opportunity to clean up before starting school.

For afterschool Green Heroes (on Mondays) I will collect Year 5 and 6 children from their classrooms. Children should get changed into gardening clothes beforehand. Where possible, wellies should be worn as some areas are very muddy. Long hair should be tied back. Parents can collect their children from the Courtyard.

We would aim for all Outdoor Clubs to go ahead regardless of the weather conditions but in some cases a club may take place indoors.

If you know in advance that your child is not able to attend a morning club please notify the office in person or by emailing [office@berrywoodprimary.co.uk](mailto:office@berrywoodprimary.co.uk) by 1pm on the day prior to the Club taking place. For safeguarding reasons we cannot accept your child's word that they will not be attending.

There will be a £1.00 per session contribution required towards the running cost of these clubs, payable in advance. Children attending Berries on the day of their Outdoor Club will be exempt from the £1 payment. If your child normally attends Breakfast Club they should come to the Outdoor Club having had breakfast as there will not be the opportunity to eat at the club. If your child is classed as 'pupil premium' they are also exempt from payment.

If your child would like to apply for a place please use the **link** to our PE website [www.tinyurl.com/peberrywood-clubs](http://www.tinyurl.com/peberrywood-clubs) to apply or complete the attached form and return it to school by **Friday 13th December**. **Applications made after the deadline cannot be considered.**

Please do not send payment until you have received a confirmation letter stating that a place has been allocated.

I look forward to seeing your children enjoying the various Outdoor Clubs on offer.



Miss Young  
Environmental Learning Leader

