



British Science Week

8th – 17th March 2024

Poster Competition – Time

Big Plastic Count 2024



Dear Parents and Carers,

At Berrywood, we are keen to develop children's learning in all areas of the curriculum. We have many aspiring Scientists across the school who love to investigate, question, observe and explore the world around them. We encourage the pupils to develop their natural curiosity and appreciate the awe and wonder that Science has to offer.

From the 8th March to the 17th March is British Science Week. This is an opportunity to celebrate the diverse and exciting world of science, technology, engineering and mathematics across the UK. This year British Science Week is celebrating its 30th anniversary and at Berrywood we are keen to get involved!

Each year there is a theme. The theme for this year is 'Time'. At school we will be taking part in two events as well as continuing to promote the love of Science and exploration through our Science lessons.

The children will be given the opportunity to enter the UK wide **poster competition**. They will design and create a poster A3 or A4 size that shows how a certain type of technology or science has changed over time. They can even explore how it may evolve in the future. Each school is allowed to put forward five entries to the UK wide competition where a range of prizes can be won. At Berrywood we will be holding our own competition across the school selecting winners from Early Years, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 which will then be sent off to the UK competition. We are looking forward to seeing what the pupils create that is both innovative, informative and presented in an engaging way.

The second event we will be taking part in is the Big Plastic Count, which is taking part across schools and households across the country. We are keen to protect our environment and reduce the plastic waste we produce and we need your help to do it. Attached is a letter explaining all about the Big Plastic Count and we would love all households to get involved. Your child will bring home a Let's Count Tally sheet this week for you as a family to fill in. Please return the sheet to school on Monday 18th March to enable us to gather all the data.

During the 8-17th March, there are lots of events happening across the country to celebrate British Science Week and other activities that your child might like to explore at home. If you would like to find out more, feel free to visit the British Science Week website: <https://www.britishscienceweek.org/>

Kind regards,

Mrs Hampson
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