



Great Bradfords

INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL

Headteacher: Mrs Anita Easton

Celebration Awards Thursday 25th May 2023

Hawk	Joshua, Holly
Eagle	Jake, George
Kestrel	Max, Izzy
Swift	Gabriella, Charles
Owl	Carina, Kendrick
Wagtail	Whole class
Kingfisher	Oche
Robin	Elsie
Woodpecker	Maria
Puffin	Maciej, Emilia, Seth, Ivy Hodgman

Non-Pupil Day

Just a reminder that school is closed tomorrow for staff training. We have some staff that are completing the second part of their first aid training. Other members of staff are attending training on autism.

We hope you all have a lovely half term break and we will see you all again on Monday 5th June at 8.40am.

Bye-Bye

We said good-bye for now to Mrs Potter who starts her maternity leave. She asked me to say thank you to all of the children, their families and staff for the lovely cards, gifts and well wishes. We will keep you posted when her new arrival is here.

We also say good-bye to one of our midday assistants, Mrs Gallo, who will be taking up a new role as a teaching assistant at Richard De Clare school.

Walk to School Week

Well done to Hawk, Eagle & Owl classes for completing the 'Walk to School Week' challenge set by the School Council. They have been presented with a certificate to display in their classrooms. 76% of journeys

to school in both Hawk and Owl classes were made on foot, bicycle or scooter.

Our Ducklings

The children have really enjoyed watching the ducklings grow over the past few weeks. They are definitely ready to move to a bigger space with access to water. Mrs Easton will be taking them home and will send regular updates to the children and families about how they are getting on. Before they left the children enjoyed watching them have a swim.



Bikes and Scooters

With the summer coming, I am certain lots of children will want to come to school on their bikes or scooters. Please would you ensure they are stored in the bike racks at the top of the nursery path if your child is in Years 1, 2 or nursery. If your child is in reception they can be left by the railings in the gated waiting area. Please do not leave bikes, scooters or pushchairs in front of the school office. Thank you.



Big School Meet Up

Braintree library is giving parents and carers the chance to meet other parents and carers of children starting school in September 2023. Lots of activity ideas and tips to help your child be school ready and settle in quickly, as well as a fun story time session. Feel free to go along on Thursday 1st June from 2.30-4.30pm.

Essex Library Service

The library have a brand new challenge for pre-schoolers running this summer and we

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are hoping to get as many children involved as possible!

The challenge is called Ready... Steady... Go To School! It's aimed at helping children to practise skills they'll need to help them feel confident when they start school in September.

The challenge will run from May to July and will include a range of fun activities for children to complete with their carers, covering various developmental topics. Children will earn stamps in their special booklet as they go along, and receive a certificate once they've finished all 7 sections. You can find out more information about the challenge on their website here: <https://libraries.essex.gov.uk/news/read/y-steady-go-to-school-challenge>

PTFA Summer Fete

Friday 16th June from 3.30 – 6.00pm. Lots of games and stalls, BBQ, drinks, stocks, beat the goalie, coconut shy, face painting, fire engine and inflatables. Friday 16th June will be non-uniform day and in exchange please bring in a bottle (alcoholic or non-alcoholic) for the adult or child tombola. The Infant and Junior choirs will be singing.

Attendance

Attendance Ted will be dividing his time between Kingfisher class and Woodpecker class as they had the best attendance this week of 97.7%. Hawk class had 100% punctuality this week. Please ensure children are in school by 8.50am.



Tidy Classroom

This week Wagtail class has been chosen as the tidiest classroom. Well done.



Rocket Points

Green rocket team were the winners this week with **124** smiley faces. Please encourage your child to demonstrate our rocket rules and school values.

Family Support

Sharon McCormick is our Home/School Liaison Worker. If you are struggling with your child's behaviour at home; bedtimes and mornings are a nightmare; your child is a fussy eater or struggles to leave you at school time, then Sharon may be able to help. She is available to support any parent/carers who may need advice or support. She can also help with other issues affecting families for example: divorce, separation, bereavement, housing issues and benefits. If she cannot help you personally, then she can refer to more specialised services who will be experts in their field. Sharon is available Monday - Wednesday between 7.45am-4pm. You are welcome to email her on Smccormick@lyonshall.org.uk. She can also be contacted on 01376552393 or 07714621666.

Alternatively, come to one of her drop in sessions in school between 8.00am and 9.00am on one of the following days:
Monday 5th June
Monday 3rd July

Diary Dates		
26.5.23	Non-Pupil Day	Day
29.5.23 to 2.6.23	Half Term	
5.6.23	Sharon's drop in session	8.00 – 9.30am
5.6.23- 9.6.23	Eco Week	
12.6.23 - 16.6.23	Year 1 Phonics Screening Week	

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12.6.23	Eagle class & parents – intro & tour of the Junior school	9.00am
13.6.23	Year 2 Visit to Hatfield Forest	Day
14.6.23	Hawk class & parents – intro & tour of the Junior school	9.00am
14.6.23	New Reception Parent Meeting	6.30-7.30pm
15.6.23	Kestrel class & parents – intro & tour of the Junior school	9.00am
16.6.23	Non Uniform day – bring a bottle for the tombola	Day
16.6.23	PTFA Summer Fete	3.30 - 6.00pm
21.6.23	Reception Sports Day	10.00-11.00am
21.6.23	Eagle class to join Year 3 for break time	10.10-10.25
21.6.23	Years 1 & 2 Sports Day	2.00-3.00pm
22.6.23	Hawk class to join Year 3 for break time	10.10-10.25
23.6.23	Kestrel class to join Year 3 for break time	10.10-10.25
29.6.23	Move Around Morning	9.15 - 12.00pm
3.7.23	Sharon's drop in sessions	8.00 – 9.30am
10.7.23	Year 2 Dress Rehearsal	AM
10.7.23	Governing Board meeting	6.30pm
11.7.23	Year 2 performance to parents in Kestrel & ½ Eagle	9.15am

12.7.23	Year 2 performance to parents in Hawk & ½ Eagle	9.15am
14.7.23	Children's Reports sent to home	
21.7.23	Break up for Summer	3.20pm
4.9.23	Non-Pupil Day	Day
5.9.23	Non-Pupil Day	Day
6.9.23	Children in Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 back to school	8.40am

All these dates can be found on our website.
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