



Great Bradfords

INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL

Headteacher: Mrs Anita Easton

Welcome Back
Friday 8th September 2023

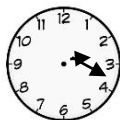
New School Year

Welcome back to all of our children and families. It is lovely to see you all again. A warm welcome to all of our new children and families that have started with us this term. We are excited to get to know everyone and I'm certain you will enjoy being part of such a fantastic school.

School Times

A quick reminder that the school day for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 is 8.50am – 3.20pm. Doors open at 8.40am to ensure we can get everyone in on time.

The children become quite worried if they have to come in to school via the office because they are late. It is also a busy time for staff in the office. Punctuality and regular attendance are extremely important.



Playground Equipment

I know that as junior children come in after school with parents and carers to pick up siblings, the temptation to climb on our equipment is there! Please may I politely request that you do not allow your older child to climb on the playground equipment.

It is specifically designed for children aged 5-7 years. Equipment in the black boxes are just for use at break and lunchtimes.

Thank you for your support.



Congratulations

We are happy to announce that Miss Shadbolt has a new baby boy named Zachary. He was born on Tuesday 5th September and weighed 7lb 12ozs. We cannot wait to meet Zach and see Miss Shadbolt again.



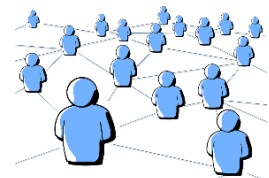
PTFA

You are an automatic member of the Parents, Teachers and Friends Association (PTFA) of Great Bradfords Infant and Junior Schools. The Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held in the Infant School hall on Thursday 14th September at 6.00pm. You are all invited to come and meet other parents and find out how you can get involved. Any parents/carers who would like to be considered for the roles of Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer or Secretary should let the school office know so that names can be put forward for the year. The school really appreciates all of the support the parents and carers give in organizing family events and fundraising for both schools. Any funds raised are shared between the Infant School and Junior School. This year we will be using the money to further develop our playground at the front of the school.



Communication

I write a newsletter every week which is emailed to you and can also be found on our school website. Parents and carers of children in Nursery (Puffin) and Reception will have access to Tapestry. Parents and carers of



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children in Year 1 and Year 2 have access to Class Dojo. Please talk to your child's class teacher if you have not been able to access any of these.

Drop Box

We all forget things from time to time and with busy mornings you may forget a water bottle or a book bag for your child. If you do, don't worry, just pop it into the box outside the office and we will deliver it to your child. There isn't any need to ring the bell to let us know as we check the box regularly. Make sure your child's name is on the item.



Royal Correspondence

Last summer the children in Reception, (currently in Year 1) learnt all about King Charles and his Coronation. They then wrote letters and drew pictures which were sent to him. Today we were all very excited to receive a response from the palace thanking the children for their kind words and pictures.



Crossing Patrol Officer

Mrs Ainger received a letter this morning from the School Crossing Patrol Coordinator, thanking her for helping the children and families of the Infant and Junior Schools to cross the road safely in the morning. A child from our school had written in talking enthusiastically about the assembly Mrs Ainger had delivered about road safety. She was also presented with a badge for 5 year's service.



Thank you Mrs Ainger for keeping us safe outside of school.

Change of Details

We appreciate that from time to time your contact details may change eg: new address or phone number. It is important that school has up to date information in case of an emergency. To amend your details please go on to Arbor and change them. School will be notified of any changes so they can be noted and authorised. Alternatively, write any changes on a piece of paper and hand in to the staff in the office.

Breakfast Club

Just a reminder that we run a breakfast club from 7.30am every morning, Monday to Friday for children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. If you wish your child to attend please go on to Arbor to book and pay for your child's place in advance. The cost is £4 per child. If you have more than one child in breakfast club either here or at the junior school, we will only charge £2 for the second child. All children must be attending the breakfast club to qualify. Parents dropping at breakfast club are not to use the school car park to drop off.



School Uniform

Please check our website for clarification of our uniform. On PE days, children should come to school in their PE kits. This should be black shorts and rocket t-shirt and/or plain black or navy track suit. Clothing with sports logos on are not suitable for school. We have a lot of nearly new uniform available, please ask at the office.



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Reception staff will let parents and carers know when their PE will start. It will be later in the year. Year 1 PE days are: Tuesday and Wednesday. Year 2 PE days are Monday and Thursday.

Attendance

Each week we publish attendance and punctuality data in the newsletter. The class with the best attendance is celebrated in our Friday assembly and Attendance Ted (see photo) spends the following week with that class.



The children are always extremely excited and proud when their class is the weekly winner.

Tidy Classroom

Each week a class is nominated by the cleaners as being the tidiest. This class will be announced in our weekly celebration assembly and they will collect our little trophy to display in their class.



A few Reminders

The car park is for school staff only. It is shared with the junior school next door, so space is very limited. Children should not cross the car park to get to and from the junior school as it is in constant use.

Dogs, regardless of how small or cute are not allowed on school premises at any time. Not even if they are carried or in your handbag!

Smoking and vaping is not allowed on any part of school premises.

If you drive to school, please be considerate of our neighbours when parking. Please only park where you are permitted to do so legally and where you do not cause an obstruction to pedestrians, pushchairs and wheelchairs. Do NOT stop on the zigzags to let your child out of the

car. We all need to be sensible to help keep all children safe. Thank you for your support.

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 from 8.00am - 9.00am on one of the following Mondays:

- 25th September
- 30th October
- 27th November
- 11th December

Diary Dates		
13.9.23	Governing Board General meeting	6.30pm
14.9.23	PTFA AGM followed by meeting	6.00pm
18.9.23	School Council elections in class – more info to come	In school
22.9.23	Individual Photographs	Day

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6.10.23	Kestrel class assembly – parents & carers welcome	9.05-9.30am approx
7.10.23	Nursery & Reception Open morning for new starters Sept 2024	10.00am-12.00pm
13.10.23	Swift class assembly – parents & carers welcome	9.05-9.30am approx
13.10.23 to 19.10.23	Book Fair open after school	3.20-4.15pm
16.10.23	Governing Board Finance meeting	6.30pm
18.10.23	Parent Consultation meetings for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2.	3.40-6.20pm
19.10.23	Parent Consultation meetings for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2.	3.40-6.20pm
20.10.23	Eagle class assembly – parents & carers welcome	9.05-9.30am approx
23.10.23 to 27.10.23	Half Term	
30.10.23	Back to school	8.40am
2.11.23	Flu Immunisations – more info to come	AM
4.11.23	Nursery & Reception Open morning for new starters Sept 2024	10.00am-12.00pm
10.11.23	Woodpecker class assembly – parents & carers welcome	9.05-9.30am approx
13.11.23	Non-Pupil Day	Day
4.12.23	Governor Curriculum Meeting	6.30pm

4.12.23	Year 1 Dress Rehearsal to whole school	AM
5.12.23	Year 1 performance- parents & carers invited – info to come	9.30 – 10.00am (approx.)
6.12.23	Year 1 performance- parents & carers invited – info to come	9.30 – 10.00am (approx.)
6.12.23	Christmas lunch - Rec, Yrs 1 & 2	11.45-1.00pm
6.12.23	Christmas/Seasonal Jumper Day	
8.12.23	Nursery & Reception school disco	3.15-4.45pm
8.12.23	Year 1 and Year 2 school disco	5.00-6.30pm
20.12.23	Last day of term	3.20pm
4.1.24	Back to school Rec, Year 1 & 2	8.40am

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