



Great Bradfords

INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL

Headteacher: Mrs Anita Easton

Welcome Back Friday 22nd September 2023

Hawk	Riley, Mason
Eagle	Oskar-Jack, Beatrice
Kestrel	Maximillian, Poppy-Rose
Swift	Lexi, Joshua
Owl	Diana, Jessica D
Wagtail	Philippa, Alfie
Kingfisher	Hunter
Robin	Leyla-May
Woodpecker	Samar
Puffin	Iggy, Gabriel T, Hugo

Often information has been misinterpreted or maybe we need to communicate something differently. We try hard to get things right but we can make mistakes too! These groups are not designed to discuss children or their families. Be kind to each other because life can be hard enough at times!

Photographs

The children had their photographs taken today individually and with siblings. Your child should have come home with a slip from the photographers, (check their bags). On the slip there is a QR code to scan and register your info. Photos will be processed and uploaded over the weekend. You will receive notification of any promotional offers available to you. Once orders have been processed the photos will be delivered to school and we will give them to the children to bring home.



School Open Days for New Starters 2024

Saturday 14th October and Saturday 4th November at 10.00 am to 12.00 pm
Come and join us for a tour of our nursery and reception classes and chat with our teachers. No booking required.

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Open Morning

Nursery and Reception will be open from 10.00am-12.00pm on Saturday 14th October and Saturday 4th November for any parents or carers that have children starting school next year. Please come along and meet staff and have a look around. No need to book.

Be Kind to Each Other

Lots of classes have parent WhatsApp groups as a way of sharing information to help each other remember what is going on in school. These groups are not 'policed' by school but we do get to hear from time to time about negative things that may be shared. If you are not sure about something to do with school and the WhatsApp group is becoming a little negative, please come and talk to staff.



Harvest

For Harvest, we will be collecting donations for Braintree Foodbank again this year. The current cost of living crisis is forcing many people who would have never previously thought of using a Foodbank turn to them in their time of need. Last year they fed 9,473 people which is by far their busiest year on record. Harvest is a wonderful time of year to celebrate what we have and what we can be thankful for, whilst thinking of others and giving in whichever way we can. Any donation, no matter how big or small supports them in their mission to ensure that no one has to go hungry. Please bring donations to the



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school office or give to class teachers at drop off or pick up. Thank you in advance for your support.

School Council

Elections took place this week for class council reps in Years 1 and 2. The children elected are:

Hawk	Arabella, Bella
Eagle	Alf, Penny
Kestrel	Hugo, Sara
Swift	Lexi, Freddie
Owl	Jacob, Mia
Wagtail	Dora, Maxwell

The children will be meeting with Mr. Kimber to decide the priorities for the school this year.

Attendance

The class with the best attendance this week was Eagle class (99.2%). Kingfisher, Robin and Woodpecker classes all achieved 100% punctuality. Let's see if we can make that 100% across the school next week



Tidy Classroom

The winning class this week was Wagtail class. Well done to all of the children for taking care of their environment.



Rocket Points

Red rocket teams were the joint winners this week with **190** smiley faces. Please encourage your child to demonstrate our rocket rules and school values.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

The junior school would like to invite all parents/carers and family friends to a coffee morning at the Junior School next door on Saturday 30th September from 11.45am – 3.00pm.

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		
30.9.23	McMillan Coffee Morning at the Junior School – all welcome	11.45am-3.00pm
3.10.23	Phonics workshop for Reception parents/carers	9.00am
5.10.23	Freshwater Theatre working with Year 2	Day
6.10.23	Kestrel class assembly – parents & carers welcome	9.05-9.30am approx

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9.10.23	Maths workshop for Years 1 & 2 parents & carers	9.00am
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
14.10.23	Nursery & Reception Open morning for new starters Sept 2024	10.00am-12.00pm
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
6.11.23	Maths workshop for Reception parents & carers	9.00am
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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