



Great Bradfords

INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL

Headteacher: Mrs Anita Easton

Welcome Back Friday 3rd November 2023

Hawk	Eric, Michelangelo
Eagle	Raven, Jordan
Kestrel	Evie, Victor
Swift	Harley-Grace, Sienna
Owl	Mia, Amina
Wagtail	Ivy Morton, Beau
Kingfisher	Thea
Robin	Vinny
Woodpecker	Logan
Puffin	Mable, Noelis, Bogdan Hannah

Open Morning

If you are a parent/carer that has children starting school next year, please come along to our Nursery and Reception open morning on **Saturday 4th November from 10.00am-12.00pm**. It's a great chance to see the school, chat to staff and find out more about a great school. No need to book.

Harvest – Food Bank

Thank you to everyone that brought in food for our Harvest. Mr Newbold kindly delivered our donations to the Braintree Food Bank.



If you find yourself needing support from the food bank, please let us know as we can put you in contact with Sharon McCormick who is able to distribute vouchers.

Mrs Dedman Leaving

Sadly, we will be saying good-bye to Mrs Dedman next Friday. Mrs Dedman joined Great Bradfords in May 2010 and has supported hundreds of children over the years. We know the staff and children will

miss her a lot but wish her every success and happiness in her new job supporting families through Social Care.

Year 2 Parents

The application window to apply for a place at the Junior School for September 2024 opens from 6th November to 15th January. All applications are online. You **MUST** apply for a place even if you have a child already in the Junior School.

<https://www.essex.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/admissions/admissions-september-2024>

Shoe Box Appeal



Thank you to the families who made up a shoe box of goodies for the 'Family & Elderly Shoebox Appeal'

organised by a charity called Link to Hope. Mr Kimber will be delivering the boxes to a collection point in Chelmsford.

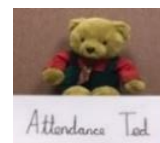
Reception Starters 2024

If you have a child who is due to start school in September 2024, you will need to apply for their place online. The portal opens on Monday 6th November and closes Monday 15th January. You must apply online as Essex will not contact you in person.

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Attendance

The class with the best attendance this week was Robin class with 99%. Well done children, parents and carers. Kingfisher and Kestrel classes achieved 100% punctuality. Come on everyone!



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Tidy Classroom

The winning class this week was Robin class. Well done to the children for taking care of their classroom.



Rocket Points

Purple rocket teams were the joint winners this week with **157** 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 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:

27th November

11th December

Diary Dates		
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
17.11.23	Non- Uniform Day for Children in Need	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 – All of Swift Class & ½ Owl Class, surnames A-I	9.30 – 10.00am (approx.)
6.12.23	Year 1 performance- parents & carers invited – All of Wagtail Class and ½ Owl Class, surnames J-Z	9.30 – 10.00am (approx.)
6.12.23	Christmas lunch - Rec, Years 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
5.1.23	Back to school for Nursery children	

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