



Great Bradfords

INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL

Headteacher: Mrs Anita Easton

Celebration Awards Friday 11th September 2020

Hawk	Kingsley, Kayleigh
Eagle	Sienna, Leon
Kestrel	Callan, Teigan
Swift	Whole class
Owl	Whole class
Wagtail	Whole class
Kingfisher	Whole class
Robin	Whole class
Woodpecker	Whole class

We Made It

What a busy week we have all had in school! The children and staff alike all look ready for an early night and a Saturday morning lie in to recharge their batteries.

We are extremely proud of how well the children in Nursery, Year 1 and Year 2 have come back to school and how quickly the new children in Reception and Nursery have settled.

Don't forget to ask your child what they have been learning in school.

Parent Governor Vacancy

We have a vacancy for a parent governor to start as soon as possible. If you have the time and energy to make a commitment to supporting our fantastic school, we would welcome your application. Governors work in partnership with the Head teacher, Local Authority and Governing Board to manage the school. Their duties are wide-ranging and include agreeing the

school improvement plan, deciding how the school budget will be set, setting aims for the curriculum, recruiting teachers and staff, agreeing school policies and providing information for parents.

Parent Governors are required to undergo a Disclosure & Barring Check (DBS). The DBS check enables organisations in the public, private and voluntary sectors to make safer recruitment decisions by identifying candidates who may be unsuitable for certain work, especially that involve children or vulnerable adults.

If you are able to commit to attending 8 meetings a year, talk to children and staff about learning in school, take responsibility for a curriculum area and would like to help us move the school forward, then please apply.

How to stand for election - Complete the nomination form attached to this email and return to Mrs Dixon in the School Office or email to admin@gbins.co.uk by **Thursday 17th September**.

Please submit a short statement in support of your application, identify key skills and experiences.

Nursery Fees

All nursery fees are payable in advance. However, we are currently moving over to a new system and as such we have not been able to issue invoices yet. You should be invoiced with your fees for this half term by next Friday 18th September. Fees will then be due and currently, we ask that you pay these in cash, cheque or by card. You will need to present your card at

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the school office so card information can be recorded. Thank you in advance for your understanding.

Jeans for Genes Day

Half a million children in the UK are affected by a life-altering genetic disorder, that's 1 in 25!

Please help us to raise money to make a difference for these children. Money can be used to buy specialist equipment;

provide valuable support to the children and their families; fund a specialist nurse or help children to experience holiday club activities. With your help we can change lives! We are inviting all children to come to school dressed in their denim on Friday 18th September and bring in money to donate to the charity. Mrs Easton and the reception teachers will have collection buckets on the gate or you may hand the money to class teachers. You can give as little or as much as you like. The more we raise, the more we can help. Thank you.



Harvest

We will be talking to the children about harvest in the coming weeks. They will have an assembly in their class as well as other lessons during the week of 5th October. We will be supporting Braintree Food Bank again this year and are asking if parents and carers would be kind enough to donate any of the items listed below. Please start bringing in your donations from next week and give them to your child's teacher.

Urgently needed

- Mash potato (drum or packet)
- Cereal bars
- Chocolate bars (Kit Kat, Penguins etc...)
- Sponge puddings
- Jam

Other food items needed

- Tinned hot snacks (Ravioli, Beans & Sausages etc...)
- Tinned potatoes
- Sugar (500g or 1kg bag)
- Tinned hot meals (Curry, tinned pies etc...)

Non-food items

- Deodorants
- Small boxes of non-biological washing detergent (gel form if possible)

Currently, they DO NOT need: pasta, pasta sauce, biscuits, fish, soup, baby food or nappies. The food bank is asking for small packs as larger packs do not fit in their boxes making it difficult for people to carry home. Also, they are unable (for hygiene reasons) to split large size or catering packs. Thank you for your support.

Nut free school

Please may I remind you all that we have a number of children and staff with nut allergies in school. Please ensure packed lunches and snacks after school do **not** contain nuts or nut products. Thank you.

School Council Elections

It is the beginning of the school year when we elect our new school

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councillors who will represent their class and share their views and ideas. Elections will take place within Year 1 and Year 2 classes next week (Reception school councillors will be chosen in the Spring term). If your child is interested in being a school councillor they may want to write a short paragraph to explain why they think they would be good in this role. All the children will then vote via secret ballot for their new councillors. This is a good opportunity to help children learn about British values: Democracy, Rule of Law, Individual Liberty and Mutual Respect. Good luck to those taking part.

Photographer

The photographer will be in school on Friday 25th September. Due to Covid 19 restrictions this year, he will be taking individual photos and sibling photos of children attending the infant and nursery school. We are not able to include siblings at the junior school. Proofs will be shared electronically for you to order if you wish. If your child usually comes to school in a PE kit on that day, please send them in their school uniform and their PE kit in a bag on this occasion.



Attendance and Punctuality

Starting next week, I will be sharing attendance and punctuality information with you. Attendance Ted will spend the week with the class with the best attendance.



Tidy Classroom

Starting next week, I will publish which class has tried their hardest to keep their classroom tidy. This decision will be made by the school cleaning staff.



First Aid in School

Any first aid in school is carried out by qualified first aiders. All injuries and action taken are recorded in our medical files. We will not send home notes for bumps and grazes as it is very time consuming and unnecessary. We will however, send home notes and talk to you if your child has had a bump to the head. If it is a minor knock, staff in class will inform you at the end of the day. If it is a bigger knock that makes a bruise or cut to the head/face we will phone you as soon as possible after the injury. This does not mean we expect you to rush to school, it is to inform you of the knock so you can make an informed decision about any actions. School would tell you if we thought you needed to come to collect your child. Advice will be given to parents/carers about monitoring their child at home after a head injury.

Labelling Clothing

Please ensure your child's name is in all jumpers, shirts, trousers, PE kits, shoes etc... This will help in the return of lost items and save staff time looking for lost clothing. Thank you.

Contacting The Office

Wherever possible, please avoid coming in to the school office. If you

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have any questions or queries please contact staff by email admin@gbins.co.uk or phone 01376 326891. Thank you.

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. Sharon is available to support any parent/carers who may need advice or support. She can also support with other issues affecting families for example: divorce and separation, housing issues and benefits. If she cannot help you personally, then she can refer to more specialised services who will be expert in their field. Sharon is available Mon- Thursday between 7.45am-4pm. Parents/carers are welcome to email her on Smccormick@lyonshall.org.uk. She can also be contacted on 01376552393 or 07714621666. You may contact her freely between those times and she can offer telephone / video call / email support.

Diary Dates		
18.9.20	Jeans for Genes Day	Day
23.9.20	Governing Board Meeting	7.00pm
25.9.20	Individual Photographs	Day
15.10.20	Governing Board Meeting	7.00pm
28.10.20 to 1.10.20	Healthy Living Week	Day
2.10.20	NON PUPIL DAY	
26.10.20 to 30.11.20	Half Term	Week
2.11.20	Non- Pupil Day	
26.11.20	Governing Board Meeting	7.00pm
19.12.20	Break Up for Christmas	

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