



Great Bradfords

INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL

Headteacher: Mrs Anita Easton

Celebration Awards Friday 13th November 2020

Hawk	Cameron, Mattea
Eagle	Eva, Violet
Kestrel	Autumn, Gracie
Swift	Jaxon, Sara
Owl	Charlie, Amber
Wagtail	Skyla-Rose, Willow
Kingfisher	Jake
Robin	Noah
Woodpecker	Lachlan
Puffin	Dawson, Hugo

Armistice Day

The children have learnt about the significance of the poppy in RE lessons in school. We also observed a two-minute silence on the 11th at 11.00am. Due to covid, there was not a parade in the public gardens where we usually lay a wreath, however, Noah (Owl class) and his family very kindly went there on Sunday and laid the wreath on behalf of the school. Thank you.



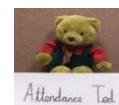
Parent Governor

Thank you to everyone who took the time to vote for our second new parent governor. The results are as follows:
Daniel Kemp 67
Michael Watson 49

Thank you to both candidates for standing and congratulations to Daniel who will be joining us via zoom on 26th November for our Governing Board meeting.

Attendance

Wagtail class had the best attendance this week of 98.3%. The classes with 100% punctuality were Eagle, Robin and Swift. Well done everyone.



Tidy Classroom

Robin class has been the tidiest this week. Well done.



Rocket Points

Red rocket team were the winners this week with **153** smiley faces. Encourage your child to demonstrate our rocket rules and school values.

Children in Need

Thank you to everyone for generously donating to this amazing charity. We certainly had a spot filled school today! We are delighted to be able to send a cheque for £425.50 to this worthwhile cause.



Arbor

Lots of parents and carers have positively commented on the Arbor App. It makes online payments much easier, as well as booking for breakfast club. To date the App is being used by 91% of our parents and carers.

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Free School Meals

Don't miss out on a free school meal if the government gives vouchers for the holiday periods. School will need to pass on the names of the families who qualify. If you receive one of the following benefits, complete the form that was sent home or contact the school office immediately:

Income support

Income based Jobseekers Allowance

Income related Employment and Support Allowance

Support from NASS under part 6 of the Immigrations and Asylum Act 1999

The guarantee element of Pension Credit

Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit)

Working Tax Credit run-on

Universal Credit

Year 2 Phonics Screening

Next week the Y2 children will complete the statutory phonics screening. The children have been working hard on their phonics and had a practice run of the screening with their teacher, so know what to expect. Once the results have been processed you will receive a letter to inform you of your child's results.

Writing Celebration Wall

The display in the library celebrates children's effort and achievement in writing across the school. We are not able to invite you in to see the chosen pieces of work but we will send a copy of their



writing home so your child can share it with you. The chosen writing this time belongs to: Charlie (Hawk), Isabelle (Eagle), Nathaniel (Kestrel), Freya (Swift), Nuran (Owl), Matthew (Wagtail), Lucas (Kingfisher), Ronny (Robin) and Poppy (Woodpecker). Well done everyone.

Reception Starters 2021

If your child will be starting reception in 2021 then you will need to apply for a school place online. If you are in our nursery and want to come to our school, you will still need to apply online. Applications open on 9th November and all applications need to be made by 15th January 2021.

<https://www.essex.gov.uk/apply-for-a-primary-school-place>

All Year 2 Parents/Carers

Your child will be moving to year 3 in September 2021. To secure a year 3 place at the juniors you need to apply online. Applications will open 9th November and close 15th January 2021. Don't forget to apply for their school place at:

<https://www.essex.gov.uk/apply-for-a-primary-school-place>

PTFA Rainbow Hampers

We are collecting for the rainbow hampers again this year. The hampers will be raffled off and the draw will take place on Friday 18th December. Please start collecting items of the appropriate colour, as shown below, which can be brought in to school on Monday 7th December. This will be a non-uniform

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day. Obviously items need to be new!

Thank you for your support.

Nursery and Reception – yellow

Year 1 – blue

Year 2 – red

Christmas Card Designs

If you want to order any of the Christmas/seasonal gifts with your child's design on. Please complete the order form and return to school by Wednesday 18th November. You can pay for your order via your Arbor account.

Covid Testing

Please do not send your child to school if they display any of the following symptoms:

High temperature

New/persistent cough

Loss of taste or smell

If your child has any symptoms of covid, book a test immediately and notify school. Your child must stay home until you have the results. If they test positive your child and all members of your household must stay home and follow NHS guidance. Please notify school of any positive tests. If the test is negative, notify school and your child may return immediately.

PE Days

We are still encouraging children to wear PE kits on their PE days to avoid having to change in class. Please ensure your child wears their rocket t-shirt and shorts. They may wish to wear a track suit which should be plain black or blue. If they do not have a suitable

sweat shirt they should wear their school jumper. Do not send children in to school with logos and designs on clothing or in super hero costumes.

Thank you.

Jewellery

Jewellery, apart from watches and stud earrings, should not be worn in school. All children must remove studs before doing PE. Staff are not allowed to remove them for the children.

Children are not permitted to wear nail varnish in school.

TV and Films

A number of children are talking, in a lot of detail, about films they have watched on TV that are not age appropriate.

Many are scary films and/or an 18 certificate. Please supervise children's screen time to ensure that what they watch is suitable viewing.

Road Safety

Next week is road safety week in school. Mrs Ainger will be talking to the children about crossing the road safely with an adult. If you are thinking of buying a new winter coat for your child, think about reflective strips to help them be seen in the dark.

Contacting The Office

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

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Family Support

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.

Diary Dates		
9.11.20 to 15.1.21	Apply for a Reception place for Sept 2021	Day
9.11.20 to 15.1.21	Apply for Year 3 place for Sept 2021	Day
16.11.20 to 20.11.20	Year 2 Phonics Screening Week	Week
26.11.20	Flu immunisation for children in reception, Year 1 and Year 2	Day
26.11.20	Governing Board Meeting	6.00pm
9.12.20	Christmas lunch for reception, Year 1 and Year 2	
18.12.20	Break Up for Christmas	

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