



Great Bradfords

INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL

Headteacher: Mrs Anita Easton

Celebration Awards Friday 11th June 2021

Hawk	Savannah, Charlie
Eagle	Isabelle, Phoebe
Kestrel	Albie, Meela
Swift	William H-C, Kaydee
Owl	Lily-Rose, Amber
Wagtail	Joshua W, Holly
Kingfisher	Lully
Robin	Dolly, Noah
Woodpecker	Ella, Isabelle
Puffin	Ezra, Penny, Antoni

Parent Governor

I am delighted to inform you that Annmarie Wagstaff, (mum to Seth in Owl class) has been reappointed as Parent Governor. She was previously on the governing board but had to resign due to other commitments. It is wonderful to welcome her back and I know she will be a great asset to the board.



Lockdown Restrictions

We are all waiting to find out if and how lockdown restrictions may be eased. The plan was for the 21st June to be the end to the vast majority of restrictions that have had to be put in place to keep people safe. However, with new variants of the virus and numbers in hospital increasing the easing of these restrictions may be delayed. Please note that this may have an impact on

some of our planned events in school. We, like you, will be waiting for Boris' announcement on Monday 14th June about any changes. Fingers crossed that it'll be the news we all want to hear!

Close the Vocabulary Gap

National research has highlighted a children's vocabulary gap, which suggests children aren't exposed to enough rich language through reading, stories and conversations. Children love words, particularly long ones and as a school we have started introducing the children to an exciting word everyday (alongside all the words they learn through the curriculum). This is something for you to get involved with too through our whole school **Word of the Week** and **Question of the week**. They will be shared with the children on a Friday and with you via the newsletter, so please discuss both with them over the weekend. Share your answer to the question and try and incorporate the word into a sentence; modelling its use. We appreciate your support with this and look forward to the discussions we'll have in school with the children.

This week's Word of the Week is:
Democracy

This week's Question of the Week is:
What five words best describe you?

Essex Air Ambulance

We will be hold a bake sale after school on Friday 18th June in aid of Essex Air Ambulance. They will be coming in to

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deliver an assembly to the children in school where we hope to present them with a cheque from the sale. Don't panic! The children will make the cakes in school and school council will help to sell them in the playground at the end of the day.



PTFA Summer Fete

We are delighted to announce that the PTFA will be holding a summer fete on the school field Friday 2nd July from 3.30-6.30pm, (subject to lockdown restrictions). As you are an automatic member of this group we would really appreciate your support. If you can help in any way, even for a short time, please contact Helena (PTFA Chair) via email gbptfa@gmail.com or follow and comment on the PTFA Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/greatbradfordspfta/> or let your child's class teacher or the school office know.



Poster Competition Winner

The PTFA members had to look through lots of posters in order to choose just one winner. It was a very tough decision as they were all so different. However, they finally chose one and I'm delighted to announce that Chloe in Kestrel class designed winning poster. This poster will be used to advertise the PTFA Summer



Fete. Chloe will receive a wristband to access the inflatables at the event free of charge, a voucher for the BBQ and a little bag of goodies. Well done.

Reading Eggs

We are very excited to introduce the children to our new online phonics and reading programme – Reading Eggs. Your child should come home today with a letter outlining the programme along with their personal login details, which will allow us to track their individual progress. When logging on for the first go into Reading Eggs (not Fast Phonics or Reading Eggspress). Click on 'Lesson 1' and most children will need to complete the Placement Test. This will ensure they are placed within the right section of the programme based upon their attainment. In addition to the introductory letter, we shall email a parent pack, giving a programme map and top tips for how your child will get the most from the programme. We hope this will prove an invaluable tool and help to ensure the children make the progress of which we know they are capable.

Headlice

We have had a couple of cases of headlice in different classes across the school. Please check your child's hair regularly and treat immediately if you find any lice or eggs.

100 Whizzy Words

Well done to Mia in Woodpecker class for learning to read her 100 whizzy

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words. Read them every day everyone so that you can read your 100 words too.

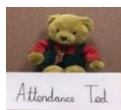
Parents/carers are welcome to email her Smccormick@lyonshall.org.uk. Sharon may also be contacted on 01376552393 or 07714621666.

Water Bottles

Please ensure your child comes to school with a bottle of water as the weather is warm and they get very thirsty. The bottle can be refilled in school as needed. Please do not put juice in bottles as they can spill or leak and then we end up with the problem of ants in the classroom. All children having a school lunch also have access to cold milk and water with their lunch.

Attendance

Owl class had the best attendance this week at 100%. The classes with 100% punctuality were Robin, Eagle, Wagtail and Kestrel. Well done everyone, keep it up.



Tidy Classroom

Hawk class has been the tidiest this week. Well done to all of the children.



Rocket Points

Blue rocket team were the winners this week with 179 smiley faces. Keep on being the best you can be.

Sharon McCormick

Sharon is our wonderful home/school family support worker. She is available Monday - Thursday between 7.45am-4pm.

Diary Dates

18.6.21	Bake Sale – in aid of Essex Air Ambulance	2.40pm
22.6.21	Air Ambulance assembly to the children	AM
22.6.21 and 23.6.21	New Reception Starters 2021 – Parent/carer meeting in hall	6.30-7.30pm
24.6.21	Governor Zoom meeting	6.00pm
25.6.21	Move around morning – children meet their new teachers for September 2021	AM
28.6.21	Non Pupil Day	Day
7.7.21	Sports Day for Reception – info to follow	AM
7.7.21	Sports Day for Year 1 and Year 2 – info to follow	PM
8.7.21	Governor Zoom meeting	6.00pm
21.7.21	Last day of term	

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