



# Great Bradfords

## INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL

Headteacher: Mrs Anita Easton

### Celebration Awards Friday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Hawk	Brody, Harry
Eagle	Tianna, Darcie
Kestrel	Pixie, Joshua B
Swift	Esme, Archie
Owl	Oliver, Louie
Wagtail	Oliver, Elliott
Kingfisher	Deon
Robin	Carina
Woodpecker	Hardy

### Tesco Blue Token Scheme

We're very excited to share our news that we are to be included in the Tesco Community Grants Scheme (the blue tokens). You will be able to add tokens to our containers in all four Braintree stores from 1st October - 31st December, so please ask family, friends and neighbours to support us too. The funds we're awarded will be spent on equipment to encourage our children to embrace a healthy lifestyle, such as smoothie makers and play equipment. Thank you for your anticipated support.

### Jeans for Genes Day



The children have enjoyed wearing their own choice of clothes today and helping to raise funds to support individuals and families affected by genetic disorders. The Jeans for Genes campaign raises awareness of the daily challenges faced by those living with a genetic disorder and raises money to fund

projects that make a tangible difference to the lives of those affected. Thank you to everyone who donated today. With your generosity, we raised £286.55. Thank you.

### Harvest

As Harvest time approaches we have been asked to support Braintree Food Bank again this year. It has been a tough 18 months for many families and it is likely things will still be hard for many over the coming months. With your support and generosity, the food bank will be there to help those most in need. Please see the list below for items they are asking to be donated. All donations can be given to class teachers or placed on the table outside the office. Thank you for your support.



#### We urgently need:

Washing up liquid  
Washing detergent (gel form if possible please)  
Juice (1L please)  
Deodorant  
Custard (tinned or packet)  
Sponge puddings

#### Needed to maintain stocks:

Long life milk (1L please)  
Tinned spaghetti  
Tinned fruit  
Instant mash  
Chocolate  
Baby wipes  
Shampoo/conditioner  
Shower gel  
Sugar (500g please)

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### School Council

Every year, two children from each class are voted by their class to be school council representatives (reps). The process helps children to begin to develop their understanding of a fair democracy. Reps will attend regular meetings with Mrs Farr to discuss ways we can improve the school. Reps also deliver assemblies and teach their class important skills like how to cross the road safely. Please talk to your child to see if they would like to stand for election. If they do, they will need to prepare a short presentation on why they would be a great class rep. They will present these to their own class on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> September and then the class will vote for the new reps. This will be open to year 1 and 2 to start. Reception will be included in the spring term.

### Information Sharing

We always have lots of information to share with parents and carers on a regular basis. Teachers use Tapestry in nursery and reception to share information about school and your child's learning. In years 1 and 2 we use Class Dojo. Please ensure you have logged on to these and get involved with your child's learning. Any difficulties, talk to your child's class teacher who will be happy to help. As a school we also use Arbor to send out and request information and it is also where you may book and pay for clubs, including breakfast club. Please make sure you have enabled push

notifications on your device to be able to receive messages.

### Individual Photos

All children will have their photo taken in school next Friday. They will also have a photo taken with their brother or sister during the day if they are also in this school. If you would like their photo taken with a sibling at the juniors or pre-school children, please go on to Arbor to express an interest. These photos will be taken before school but will not be available after school. To do this on Arbor:

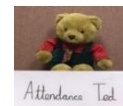
1. Log into your Arbor account
2. Click on activities – clubs
3. Click on photo – junior/non nursery
4. Register for this club.

### Earrings

Children should only be wearing small stud earrings in school. These must be removed by the children, or by parents/carers before school in order for them to take part in PE lessons.

### Attendance

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



### Tidy Classroom

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



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### Rocket Points

**Red** rocket team were the winners this week with **167** 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. 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- Wednesday between 7.45am-4pm. Parents/carers are welcome to email her on [Smccormick@lyonshall.org.uk](mailto:Smccormick@lyonshall.org.uk). She can also be contacted on 01376552393 or 07714621666.

Alternatively, come to one of her drop in sessions in school between 8.00am and 9.00am on one of the following Mondays:

20<sup>th</sup> September

18<sup>th</sup> October

8<sup>th</sup> November

6<sup>th</sup> December

### Diary Dates

23.9.21	Governing Board Meeting	6.00pm
24.9.21	Individual Photos	Day
1.10.21	Non-Pupil Day	Day
15.10.21	Kestrel Class assembly – parents & carers invited	9.10-9.30am
22.10.21	Owl Class assembly – parents & carers invited	9.10-9.30am
25.10.21 to 29.10.21	Half Term	
1.11.21	Non-Pupil Day	Day
12.11.21	Hawk Class assembly – parents & carers invited	9.10-9.30am
19.11.21	Woodpecker Class assembly – parents & carers invited	9.10-9.30am
7.12.21	Year 1 Dress Rehearsal	
8.12.21	Year 1 performance- parents & carers invited	9.30am
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