



Great Bradfords

INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL

Headteacher: Mrs Anita Easton

Celebration Awards Friday 5th November 2021

Hawk	Suthinee, William H
Eagle	Shania, Barney
Kestrel	Clark, Corey
Swift	Kobi, Elija
Owl	Harry, Poppy
Wagtail	Tomas, Effy
Kingfisher	Natalia
Robin	Logan
Woodpecker	Harrison
Puffin	Diana, Charlotte

Starting Reception Sept 2022

If your child was born between 1st September 2017 and 31st August 2018, they will be starting school in September 2022.

ALL parents/carers need to make a formal application to the Council for a reception school place.

You must apply even if you have a child at school already.

Parents/carers can apply via the website www.essex.gov.uk/admissions and 99% of parents applied online last year.

The reception class admission round opens on **Monday 8 November 2021**, for parents/carers to apply for a reception place for September 2022.

The statutory national closing date for applications is **15 January 2022**.

Applications can be made online via www.essex.gov.uk/admissions. All of the application information is available on the website above.

School Open Day

A reminder that our final Open Day will be on Saturday 13th November from 10.00am to 12.00pm. If you know anyone with a child looking for a nursery place or a reception school place from September 2022, please let them know about our Open Day. No need to book, just come along.

Moving to Year 3 Sept 2022

As you will be aware, **ALL** parents/carers of current Year 2 children at our school need to make a formal application to the Council for a junior school (Year 3 place). You must apply even if you already have a child at the junior school.

Parents/carers can apply via the website www.essex.gov.uk/admissions and 99% of parents applied online last year.

The junior admission round opens on **Monday 8 November 2021**, for parents/carers of children to apply for a junior school (Year 3) place for September 2022.

The statutory national closing date for applications is **15 January 2022**.

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Firework Safety

Please make sure you keep yourselves and others safe if you are attending a firework display, or having your own fireworks at home. Remember that most animals find fireworks frightening.

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Wool Needed

Nursery are requesting any wool/yarn that you may have so they can make pompoms. If you have any to donate, please take along to nursery or pass to the school office and they will deliver it for you. Thank you in advance.

Lost Foot

We have had a lovely furry boot handed in to the office. If it belongs to your child's foot, please pop along and collect it.



Reading After School

From next week you will be able to stay and read with your child after school twice a week. Years 1 and 2 will be on a Tuesday and Wednesday and Reception will be on a Tuesday and Friday. The children have been set a challenge to see which class will win the reading rosette for the most readers after school.

Firework Word Search Winner

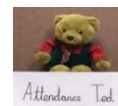
Thank you to everyone who completed the word search and paid a pound to enter the competition. We are delighted to announce Marguerite (Owl class) as the lucky winner of the family ticket to go to the Rugby Club Firework Extravaganza. We hope you have fun.

Tesco Blue Token Scheme

Don't forget to pop a token in the box to support our school. All four local Tesco stores have our name on the collection box. Please help to support us.

Attendance

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



Tidy Classroom

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



Rocket Points

Red rocket team were the winners again this week with **152** smiley faces. Please encourage your child to demonstrate our rocket rules and school values.

Child in Need

We will be supporting the BBC's Charity, Children in



BBC

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Need this year. Encourage your child to raise money through a bake sale, skipping challenge, housework help etc... They can then come to school on Friday 19th November wearing spotty clothing. Don't panic if you do not have anything spotty, the children may wear any non-uniform. If it is their PE day, they may bring their kit to school in a bag to change into. Mrs Farr and I will have collection buckets on the gates for you to give any donations to the charity. Thank you in advance.

Close the Vocabulary Gap

National research has highlighted a children's vocabulary gap, which

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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:
Remembrance

This week's Question of the Week is:
If you could ask a wild animal any question, what would it be?

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 is available to support any parent/carers who may need advice or support. 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 expert in their field. Sharon is available Monday - Wednesday 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.

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

8th November

6th December

Diary Dates		
9.11.21	School Council Meeting	2.15pm
12.11.21	Hawk Class assembly – parents & carers invited	9.10-9.30am
19.11.21	Children in Need (wear spots/non-uniform day)	Day
19.11.21	Woodpecker Class assembly – parents & carers invited	9.10-9.30am
25.11.21	Governor Curriculum Meeting	6.30pm
30.11.21	Nursery Stay & Play	8.45-1.15am
30.11.21	Nursery Stay & Play	12.30-1.45pm
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3.12.21	Flu Vaccinations for Reception, Year 1 & Year 2	PM
3.12.21	Nursery Stay & Play	12.30-1.45pm
7.12.21	Year 1 Dress Rehearsal to whole school	AM
8.12.21	Christmas Lunch in school	11.45-12.15
8.12.21	Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children (non-uniform)	Day
8.12.21	Year 1 performance- parents & carers invited	9.30 – 10.00am (approx.)
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10.12.21	Coffee morning for all parents & carers in the junior hall. This will include both choirs singing as well as the Hamper draw.	8.45am
10.12.21	Disco and Magic Show for Nursery and Reception children	3.15-4.45pm
10.12.21	Disco and Magic Show for Years 1 + 2 children	5.00-6.30pm
17.12.21	Last day of term	3.00pm

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