



Great Bradfords

INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL

Headteacher: Mrs Anita Easton

Welcome Back Friday 16th May 2025

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| Hawk | Zelda, Pippa |
| Eagle | Lacey, Ralph |
| Kestrel | Charlotte, Archie |
| Swift | Leo, Chizitelu |
| Owl | Arif, Jaxson |
| Wagtail | Dominion, Skylar |
| Kingfisher | Oakley, Holly |
| Robin | Noah, Sonny |
| Woodpecker | Ronnie J, Joshua |
| Puffin | Jemima, Jude, Nella, Zain, Brodie-Leighton |

Kingfisher Class Assembly

Well done to the children in Kingfisher for sharing their wonderful learning with us this morning in assembly. We were blown away with your knowledge of animals and their babies as well as your excellent creative skills. I'm still humming your song about spring! We are all very proud of you.



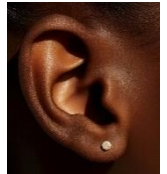
Ducklings

We have all been very excited to welcome our little ducklings as they hatch from their eggs. The children have been keen to name them as they arrive so as you can imagine the list of names for each duckling is very long! So far, four out of the five eggs have hatched. Hopefully the final duckling will arrive over the weekend.



Earrings

As the summer approaches, we often find an increasing number of children wanting their ears pierced. Please may I remind you, children should only be wearing small studs and not hoops or dangly earrings in school. All earrings must be removed for PE and staff are not allowed to do this. We cannot cover earrings with plasters as this is not permitted. I would ask that parents/carers wait until the summer holidays before having ears pierced. Thank you.



Curriculum Maps

Each term we produce Curriculum Maps to inform parents of the exciting learning that will be taking place in each year group. Click [here](#) for the summer term maps. We hope you find them helpful and that they provide useful ideas on how to support your child's learning at home.



PTFA Sponsored Obstacle

Your child should have brought home a sponsorship form for the PTFA obstacle event in school on 4th June. We are hoping you will be able to collect as many sponsors as possible to raise money for the school to go towards playground markings on the Infant School playground.

PTFA Clairvoyance Evening

As requested by parents, the PTFA have organised an exciting Clairvoyance evening for adults on Friday 6th June. The one hour

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workshop will be a time to chat and have a 10 minute taster reading or tarot card reading. The event will be held in the Infant School hall from 7.00pm until 9.30pm. Tickets are £10 each, to book contact the PTFA at gbptfa@gmail.com.

Water Bottles

Staff in class and in the lunch hall encourage children to drink throughout the day. It is very difficult to check how much each child has drunk, but we do our best. Please encourage your child to drink whilst at school. Please, also ensure they have a named water bottle in school every day.



Essex Parent Survey

Essex County Council need to conduct a survey every year in order to assess whether it is meeting its statutory duty in regards to childcare. We are inviting any parent of a child aged 0-19 (or 25 for children with SEND) to participate. It is entirely anonymous and the results will not be associated with any specific school, Nursery or Early Years setting, maintaining the confidentiality of all responses. Click [here](#) to complete the survey. Thank you.

Autism Central

Autism Central is a free service designed to support parents, carers, and personal assistants of autistic people of any age with no diagnosis required! The service is led by experienced parents and carers of autistic individuals who are passionate about sharing their knowledge and supporting others.



The programme offers information on the website, group online sessions and one-to-one support via telephone or Teams,

bookable via our website. We currently have availability for 1:1 support and offer parents a swift response to their requests for support (calls usually made within a week of request). As we know, the approaching transitions into new classes or schools can be a challenging time, so this is an ideal opportunity to offer families enhanced support.

Request 1:1 support [here](#).

If you have any questions, please do get in touch.

Clubs or Wraparound

Please note that the clubs held after school are not a form of childcare. If you need childcare this can be booked through [CMSXC](#) – the company that runs the after school care held at the Junior School. Children attending clubs will not be taken to the wraparound club after.

Breakfast Club

Don't forget we have a daily breakfast club for children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. It is open from 7.30am. You can book and pay for this £4.00 via Arbor.

Community Links

Don't forget to look at the links that we regularly post on the [community page](#) of our website.

Nursery Places

If you wish to apply for a place in our fantastic nursery, you must hand your application in before 31st May 2025. We will be allocating September 2025 places in June so don't forget to apply on time.

Attendance

Robin class had the best attendance this week at 99.2%. Wagtail was the only class with 100% punctuality.



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Tidy Classroom

The winners this week were Swift class. Well done to the children for looking after their class.



Rocket Points

Orange rocket teams were the winners this week with **145** smiley faces. Well done children.

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 drop off, family separation or bereavement, then Sharon may be able to help.

If she cannot help you personally, then she can refer to more specialised services who will be experts in their field. Sharon is available Monday - Wednesday between 7.45am-4pm. You 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 from 8.00am - 9.00am on one of the following mornings:

3rd June

1st July

| Diary Dates | | |
|--------------------------|----------------|--------|
| 23.5.25 | Non-Pupil Day | Day |
| 26.5.25 to 30.5.25 | Half Term | |
| 2.6.25 | Back to school | 8.40am |

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| 3.6.25 | Sharon's Drop in | 8.00 - 9.00am |
| 4.6.25 | PTFA Sponsored Obstacle Event | Day |
| 6.6.25 | PTFA Clairvoyance Evening | 7.00 – 9.30pm |
| 9.6.25 | Year 1 Phonic Screening Week | |
| 13.6.25 | Robin class assembly | 9.05am |
| 13.6.25 | Bradfest (summer fete) | 3.30 - 6.00pm |
| 11.6.25 | Reception Sports Day | 9.30 - 10.30am |
| 11.6.25 | Years 1 & 2 Sports Day | 2.00 - 3.00pm |
| 17.6.25 | Night Owls assembly | AM |
| 17.6.25 | New Reception starters 2025 parent meeting | 6.30pm |
| 20.6.25 | Woodpecker class assembly | 9.05am |
| 23.6.25 | Kingfisher & ½ Robin visit library | AM |
| 23.6.25 | Wagtail & ½ Owl visit library | PM |
| 24.6.25 | Dental to visit Reception children | PM |
| 25.6.25 | Swift & ½ Owl visit library | PM |
| 26.6.25 | Move around morning | AM |
| 30.6.25 | Woodpecker & ½ Robin visit library | AM |
| 30.6.25 | Hawk & ½ kestrel visit library | PM |

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| 1.7.25 | Sharon's Drop in | 8.00 - 9.00am |
| 2.7.25 | Eagle & ½ Kestrel visit library | PM |
| 7.7.25 | Yr 2 Dress rehearsal | AM |
| 7.7.25 | Gemma's Farm in school for Reception | AM |
| 8.7.25 | Yr 2 Performance to Parents in Kestrel class and ½ Hawk class children's surname A-J | 9.15am |
| 9.7.25 | Yr 2 Performance to Parents in Eagle class and ½ Hawk class children's surname K-Z | 9.15am |
| 10.7.24 | Governor meeting | 6.30pm |
| 11.7.25 | Year 2 Leaver's Disco | 3.30 - 5.00pm |
| 15.7.25 | School reports uploaded to Arbor | |
| 22.7.25 | Last day of term | |
| 23.7.25 to 29.8.25 | Summer Holidays | |

New Academic Year

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| 1.9.25 | Non-Pupil Day | Day |
| 2.9.25 | Non-Pupil Day | Day |
| 3.9.25 | Back to school Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 | 8.40am |
| 4.9.25 | Back to school for Nursery | |

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| 9.9.25 | Sharon's Drop in | 8.00 - 9.00am |
| 7.10.25 | Sharon's Drop in | 8.00 - 9.00am |
| 27.10.25 to 31.10.25 | Half Term | |
| 4.11.25 | Sharon's Drop in | 8.00 - 9.00am |
| 17.11.25 | Non-Pupil day | Day |
| 2.12.25 | Sharon's Drop in | 8.00 - 9.00am |
| 19.12.25 | Last day of term | 3.20pm |
| 22.12.25 to 2.1.26 | Christmas Holidays | |
| 16.2.26 To 20.2.26 | Half Term | |
| 30.3.26 to 10.4.26 | Easter Holidays | |
| 22.5.26 | Non-Pupil Day | Day |
| 25.5.26 to 29.5.26 | Half Term | |
| 20.7.26 | Non-Pupil Day | Day |
| 21.7.26 | Summer Holidays | |

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