



Great Bradfords

INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL

Headteacher: Mrs Anita Easton

Welcome Back Thursday 22nd May 2025

Hawk	Desire, Manuli
Eagle	Luis, Oscar
Kestrel	Lilian, Amelia
Swift	Wisdom, Mia
Owl	Jessica, Rupert
Wagtail	Hannah, Isaac
Kingfisher	Whole class, Oakley
Robin	Ellie, Devontae
Woodpecker	Ronnie B, Isabella
Puffin	Poppy, Jake K, Peniel, Isla

Non-Pupil Day

Don't forget tomorrow is a non-pupil day. Staff have a mixture of things going on from report writing to first aid training as well as other training in maths and English.

Emile

After the half-term break, the online resource and app called "Learn with Emile" will replace Reading Eggs as our weekly English homework task.



Your child's username and password are identical to those already in use for our existing online learning platforms and can be found in the front of your child's learning diary.

Further details about the new app can be found in the letter emailed out to parents on Thursday and posted on Class Dojo or Tapestry.

We look forward to hearing how much the children enjoy our new learning app.

Ducklings

Sadly, our fifth duckling never hatched but we are lucky to have four healthy ducklings that are growing fast. The children have enjoyed learning about the ducklings and especially loved letting them swim in the water trolley in class. The ducklings are off to Mrs Holroyd's home for half term and then eventually will go home with Mrs Easton to live.



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 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.

Party shoes

If you are having a clear out and find any children's party shoes that no longer fit, we would love to have them. Please bring them to the school office or give to your child's class teacher. Thank you.



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Paint Rollers

If you have finished with your decorating roller, we would love to have it. We have lots of brushes but only a couple of rollers to use them with.

Please bring your unwanted rollers to the school office or give to your child's class teacher. We are also still after large paint brushes. Thank you.



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.

Attendance

Robin class had the best attendance this week at 98%. No class achieved 100% punctuality. This needs to improve, come on everyone.



Tidy Classroom

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



Rocket Points

Red rocket teams were the winners this week with **144** smiley faces. Well done children.

Community Links

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

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.

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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
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 for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2	AM
30.6.25	Woodpecker & ½ Robin visit library	AM
30.6.25	Hawk & ½ kestrel visit library	PM
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	

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23.7.25 to 29.8.25	Summer Holidays	
New Academic Year		
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	
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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