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Welcome Back Friday 20th June 2025

Hawk Zelda, Jesse Eagle Luis, Teddy

Kestrel Danni-Rose, Jake

Swift Grant, Sahara
Owl Ruhi, Oxli
Waqtail Bailey, Seth

Kingfisher Mmasi, Stanley Robin Whole class

Woodpecker Iris, Aiden

Puffin Freya, Brody T, Faithful,

Poppy, Brody-Lee

Woodpecker Class Assembly

Well done Woodpecker class for wowing us with your fantastic assembly this morning. You have learnt a lot about growing and change this year. We can see how much you have all grown and changed this year too. We are very proud of you all. Keep on being the best you can be!

Eco Week

Last week was Eco Week at Great Bradfords. It was very busy! On Monday, Bryan from Friends of Bocking and Blackwater, delivered an assembly about the animals and plants in our local nature reserve. "We learnt that otters eat frogs but leave the skins. It's disgusting!" Edward, (Hawk class).

On Tuesday, Eco club did a litter pick on the school field.

On Wednesday, Gill brought her bees in to assembly. Mimi thought they were cute! We are going to try honey from their hive. All classes have been busy making model villages from recycling. These will be on display in the school hall after school, 3.30-

4.15pm on Wednesday 25th June. Parents and carers are all welcome to come and have a look.

Bradfest 2025

We are delighted to share that the PTFA raised £2,500 at last Friday's Bradfest. We would like to say a massive thank you to the PTFA for all of their hard work and enthusiasm in organising events for all of the children and families with the aim of raising much needed funds for the school. The PTFA supports both the Junior School and the Infant School so don't forget to put the date of the next AGM in your diaries, 18th September 2025 at 6.00pm. Come along and find out how you could help.

Cancer Has No Colours

On Friday 11th July, we will be taking part in an event called "Cancer Has No Colours". The event was established in August 2017, after Bradley Lowery, a young football fan

passed away after a long battle with an aggressive childhood cancer, Neuroblastoma. The charity supports families nationwide to help them access treatment or equipment, not yet available on the NHS. We



are inviting children to come to school wearing their favourite football shirts or team colours. We will be collecting money donations, in the yellow buckets, on the gates in the morning, so don't forget to bring some change!

Basildon Brick Festival

The Basildon Brick Festival is an exciting celebration of all things LEGO, but it isn't just about fun, although it is absolutely packed full of that too! Brick Festival events also invite visitors to explore a range of



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STEM subject skills through the medium of LEGO bricks. How do you become more interested in Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths? By understanding them. How do you best understand things? By having fun while learning. LEGO is the perfect tool for developing new skills, exploring new ideas and having new adventures. Please see the community page

on the school website for more information.

Move Around Morning

All children from Reception to Year 6 will move to their new classes or schools on Thursday 26th June for the morning. Our nursery children will carry on as usual in nursery but our non-nursery children starting school in September will come for a visit. I will email all parents before the end of the school day to let you know which classes the children will be in next year. None of our teachers are leaving and Mrs Raval will be back from maternity leave so we are one of the fortunate schools to be fully staffed with excellent teachers next year.

Attendance

Wagtail class had the best attendance this week at 98%. No class achieved 100% punctuality. Come on everyone, this needs to be better.



Tidy Classroom

The winners this week were Hawk class. Well done children for looking after your class.



Rocket Points

Purple rocket teams were the winners this week with 189 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. The last one this ac academic year will be on Tuesday 1st July.

Diary Dates			
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	

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1.7.25	Sharon's Drop in	8.00 -	
		9.00am	
2.7.25	Eagle & ½ Kestrel	PM	
	visit library		
7.7.25	Yr 2 Dress	AM	
	rehearsal		
7.7.25	Gemma's Farm in	AM	
	school for		
	Reception		
8.7.25	Yr 2 Performance	9.15am	
	to Parents in		
	Kestrel class and		
	½ Hawk class		
	children's		
	surname A-J		
9.7.25	Yr 2 Performance	9.15am	
	to Parents in		
	Eagle class and		
	½ Hawk class		
	children's		
	surname K-Z		
10.7.24	Governor meeting	6.30pm	
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11.7.25	Cancer has no	Day	
	colours - non		
	uniform day		
11.7.25	Year 2 Leaver's	3.30 -	
	Disco	5.00pm	
15.7.25	School reports	•	
	uploaded to Arbor		
22.7.25	Last day of term		
23.7.25	Summer		
to	Holidays		
29.8.25			
New Academic Year			
1.9.25	Non-Pupil Day	<mark>Day</mark>	
<mark>2.9.25</mark>	Non-Pupil Day	<mark>Day</mark>	
3.9.25	Back to school	8.40am	
	Reception, Year 1		
	& Year 2		
4.9.25	Back to school for		
	Nursery		
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9.9.25	Sharon's Drop in	8.00 - 9.00am
18.9.25	PTFA AGM in the Junior school hall	6.00pm
19.9.25	Individual photos	Day
7.10.25	Sharon's Drop in	8.00 - 9.00am
27.10.25 to	Half Term	
31.10.25		
4.11.25	Sharon's Drop in	8.00 - 9.00am
17.11.25	Non-Pupil day	<mark>Day</mark>
18.11.25	Flu Vaccinations for Rec, Year 1 & 2	AM
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	
22.4.26	Class photos	Day
<mark>22.5.26</mark>	Non-Pupil Day	Day
25.5.26	Half	
to 29.5.26	Term	
8.6.26 To 12.6.26	Year 1 Phonics screening week	
26.6.26	Summer Fete	3.45- 6.00pm
20.7.26	Non-Pupil Day	Day
21.7.26	Summer Holidays	

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