

Great Bradfords

INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL

Headteacher: Mrs Anita Easton

Welcome Back Friday 11th July 2025

Hawk	Whole class
Eagle	Whole class
Kestrel	Whole class
Swift	Gadiel, Roman
Owl	Willow, Leon
Wagtail	Arianna, Hannah
Kingfisher	Bonnie-Blue, Louie
Robin	Evie, Izzadin
Woodpecker	Ava, Bogdan
Puffin	Masooma, Florence, Arthur B, Alex, Oluwatosimile

Year 2 Performance

We were all treated to 3 spectacular performances from the Year 2 children this week. They wowed us with the fantastic singing and dancing and animal parade. The band kept the rhythm of the songs very well. The children in Year 1 have written newspaper reports of the performance as they were as impressed as I was.



"Year 2 put on a perfect show on Monday 7th July. Eagle, Hawk and Kestrel classes treated us with stuff such as a fantastic fire-spreading dance based on The Great Fire of London, incredible Indian dancing and a cool Christopher Columbus song. The show started with a play. The teacher, played by Dora, blew the whistle because she found a puzzle. The teacher said "I found a puzzle and I need you to fix it."

Every puzzle piece unlocked a memory and inspired them to sing.

Edward from Hawk class was so funny and made people laugh.

Audience member Elliott said "The fire dancing melted my eyes!"

By Elliott, Wagtail class.

You can see more articles from Leon, Sebastian, Oxli and Violet in Owl class at the end of the newsletter.

NED Assembly

Today the children enjoyed an assembly from NED Mindset Mission filled with storytelling, illusions, yo-yo tricks and humour. The aim is to promote positive learning attitudes related to perseverance, encouraging others and always giving your best. Yo-yos will be available to buy under the canopy in the KS1 playground after school on Monday 14th July. If you would like to purchase a yo-yo after this date, please pop into the school office where they will be sold from Tuesday – Thursday that week. (Price list at the bottom of the newsletter. Please ensure you have the correct money, cash only, as we do not have a card reader.)



Cancer Has No Colours

Thank you to everyone who gave money today to this worthwhile cause. Once we have counted it all we will let you know the final amount. It was lovely seeing the children dressed in a wonderful array of colours with some excellent football shirts – some teams better than others! 😊

E-Scooters

The Safer Essex Roads Partnership has asked us to share the following information with you regarding the use of e-scooters by children.

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Use of privately owned e-scooters in public spaces (roads, cycle tracks, parks etc.) is against the law for anyone, but use by children is leading to serious injuries with children being killed. We want to support you in keeping safe.

Unfortunately, it is not illegal to buy one and the shops and on-line outlets do not make it clear enough that they may only be used on privately owned land.

The key points are that:

1. **Privately owned e-scooters (most of which are plain black) are illegal for anyone of any age to ride in any public place.** E-scooters that you can buy from shops like Halfords and Smyths, or online, can only be used on privately owned land, with the landowner's permission.
2. Parents providing an e-scooter for their child are putting them at risk on the roads. The children are unlikely to be aware of the Highway Code; are unlikely to wear a helmet or anything to make them visible to other road users; are unlikely to have the observation skills required; are likely to carry a passenger making the scooter unstable and, travelling at speeds of 15mph, are likely to be seriously injured if they fall off or are involved in a collision.

Please help us to keep all children safe as well as other road users and pedestrians.

Please see their e-scooter leaflet on our website. www.gbins.co.uk

Free Family Events

Looking for free things to do with the kids this summer? The *Free Family-Friendly Events in Mid Essex* guide is packed with activities across Braintree, Chelmsford, and Maldon. You can explore the full list of events and updates online.

Digital booklet: [Mid Essex Summer Events Booklet](#)

Full guide: [Mid Essex Summer Events Online Guide](#)

Kids Eat Free (or £1)

There are a number of restaurants in and around Essex where children can eat for free over the summer, (or for £1.00). If you find somewhere you'd like to eat please check terms and conditions first. Click [HERE](#) for info.

Year 2

Unlike here, at the Infant School, where all children are entitled to a free school meal, in the Junior School you will have to pay for a school lunch unless you are entitled to it for free. Parents and Carers, if you think your child might be eligible for free school meals when they move into Year 3. Click [here](#) to apply.

Attendance

Woodpecker class had the best attendance this week at 99%. No class achieved 100% punctuality. Come on everyone.



Tidy Classroom

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



Rocket Points

Blue rocket team were the winners this week with **225** 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

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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.

Diary Dates		
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		
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
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
21.10.25	Parent Consultation meetings for	3.40- 6.20pm

	Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2	
22.10.25	Parent Consultation meetings for Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2	3.40- 6.20pm
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
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
22.5.26	Non-Pupil Day	Day
25.5.26 to 29.5.26	Half Term	
8.6.26 To 12.6.26	Year 1 Phonics screening week	

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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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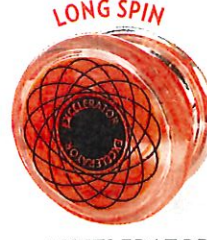
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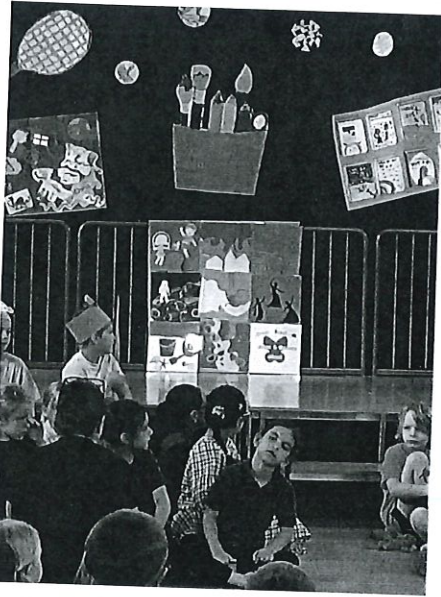


EXCELERATOR

OWL NEWS!

THE SPECTACULAR Leavers

Year two
Finished ~~putting~~
the puzzles
together. ✓



It featured lovely
Singers ^{Super} dancers and
great actors. ✓

Year two made 1
puzzle but 9 members. ✓

It featured the crazy
Splash party in Reception
funny Mobile Zooln
Year 1 and Christopher
Columbus in Year two.

^{to time} Kestrel Eagle and
Hawk Leavers
concert in the School
Hall on Monday
morning.

Hallie ^P Speck age 6 said
"It was ^{super} ~~great~~. My
favourite song was
the Friendship song.
I give it out to 10
out of 10. ✓"

The show was
the last celebration
for Year two. ✓

In September
Year Two are
going to a bigger
school.

OWL NEWS

Year 2 Concert



Christopher Columbus song

^Kestrel, Hawk
and Eagle class
performed a
rend of the
Year 2 show,
in a school
hall on
Monday
morning. ✓

The show was
a goodbye to
our ~~school~~ school. ✓
It included a
brilliant band,
great acting and
Lorey dancing. ✓

The children
made a jigsaw
puzzle and
thereby all
all featured
a memory. ✓

The Mobile
Zoo in

Year 1 splash
party in Reception
and Christopher Columbus

In Year 2. U SS S

Rosalie.

Breslings said,
the show was
fantastic. My
favourite part
was the mobile
Zoo, I would
give it 100
out of 100.
This week the
Year 2 will
get extra
golden time
for their
amazing ~~amazing~~ zzzing
effort. ✓

THE OWL TIMES

LEAVE RS BRILLANT



The Great Friendship song ever
Year 2 performed
the show on the
End of Year on
the Hall on Monday.
The show was
a grand finale in
the time
a great time at
Great Bradfods.

It included ^{great singing and}
musicians and brilliant
dancers and great
actors. The children
made a jigsaw of ^{especially}
their memories ^{of}
the Great Fire of London,
Christopher Columbus,
Moon Landing,
Mobile Zoo, Ladies
dancing, Splash Party
and the Seaside.
Rupert Gamble
said I thought it was
fantastic. The show was
superb. My favourite part was
the Great Fire of London.
The score was 7 of 10.

The Year 7s are
going to Year 3 on
September 6th

THE DAILY OWAL

Year 2

~~Year 2~~ Spectacular



LIXOR PUZZLE

Year 2 performed a show at the end of the year in the school hall on Monday morning.

The show was their final celebration at ~~Great~~ Great - Bradzods.

It ~~inc~~ included lovely singers, amazing musicians and beautiful actors in Great - Bradzods ^{hall} ~~had~~ ^{made}. The children made a puzzle about ^{on} ~~the~~ ^{fire} the great tier of London, the splash party, ~~Erister~~ ^{the} ~~cholumbers~~ and a man on the moon. ✓

Aiya Reid ~~her~~ ^{star} ~~sing~~ ^{said} the show was amazing and fantastic. ✓

~~my best~~ favourite
~~my best~~ favourite
the song was
the seaside song
and my favourite
thing was
the rubber ring
the show was
so good, the stage
was taken
down and the
year 2's have
gone to the year 3's