



Great Bradfords

INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL

Headteacher: Mrs Anita Easton

Celebration Awards Thursday 12th July 2024

Hawk	Mason, Arabella
Eagle	Whole class
Kestrel	Whole class
Swift	Hadassah, Ruben
Owl	Diana, Ellie
Wagtail	Leylar, Max
Kingfisher	Lily, Frankie
Robin	Vinny, Leyla-May
Woodpecker	Maleah, Rebecca C
Puffin	Gabriel R, Gabriel T, Olivia, Iris Green, Thomas, Stanley

Year 2 Performance

What fantastic performances by our amazing Year 2 children. There were smiles, laughter, tears and lots of applause. It has been a pleasure watching these wonderful children grow and learn over the years. It doesn't seem possible that we only have seven days left to enjoy with them!

Year 2 Disco

A quick reminder that the Year 2 disco is on after school tonight. It starts straight after school and finishes at 5.00pm. Children will need to be collected from their classrooms. We are using money raised by the PTFA to pay for this event.

Gemma's Farm Visit Reception

On Thursday, the Reception classes were lucky enough to have a visit from Gemma's Farm. Gemma set up a small farm on the school field. The animals included; ponies, ducks, rabbits, ferrets,



goats, sheep, lambs, guinea pigs and even a dog called pig! The children all had a fantastic time and were able to hold, brush and feed some of the animals. Gemma taught us many interesting facts about the animals too! Thank you so much to Gemma, we hope you can visit our school again one day!

Writing Celebration Wall

There is a display in the library celebrating children's efforts and achievements in writing across the school.



The chosen pieces of writing belong to: Carina (Kestrel), Jordan (Eagle), River (Hawk), Rafferty (Swift), Amelia (Owl), Max (Wagtail), Hallie (Robin), Oliver (Woodpecker) and Rena (Kingfisher). Well done everyone.

PTFA Summer Fete

Thank you to the PTFA for organising a mini fete instead of the planned extravaganza! Thank you to everyone that came along to support the fundraiser. I can confirm that the event raised £600. Please 'Save the Date' for a rescheduled event on the **27th September**. All payments for wristbands will be carried forward to the new date.

School Books

Please would you ensure that all school books are returned to school by Friday 19th July, so that we can audit books over the summer and replenish stocks where necessary. Please check bags, pockets and any hiding places at home for any toys or other items that belong to school. Thank you

Attendance Changes

Our Child Attendance Policy can be found on our website:

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<https://www.gbins.co.uk/media/2597/child-attendance-policy-july-2024.pdf>

If you need a paper copy of the policy as you cannot access it electronically, please call in at the school office to collect one.

Summer Reading Challenge

Marvellous Makers is coming to a library near you this summer!

Essex Library Service and The Reading Agency are teaming up with Create for



a very special 2024 Summer Reading Challenge which will be a celebration of the creative arts. We'll be inspiring children to express themselves in creative ways, tap into a world of imagination and storytelling, and – of course – to read!

The challenge runs from Saturday 20 July to Saturday 7 September in all Essex libraries and mobile libraries. There will also be a special early joiners' day on Saturday 13 July!

Children are being asked to read 6 books, they will collect stickers for their folder for each book they read. After reading 6 books they earn their certificate and medal.

To find out more, follow the link below:

<https://libraries.essex.gov.uk/news/marvellous-makers-the-summer-reading-challenge-2024>

Attendance

The class with the best attendance this week was Kingfisher with 98.4% attendance. No class achieved 100% punctuality!



Rocket Points

Green rocket teams were the joint winners this week with 247 points each. Well done children.

Tidy Classroom

The winning class this week was Swift class. Well done children for taking care of our school.



Family Support

Sharon McCormick is our Home/School Liaison Worker. If you are struggling with your child's behaviour; bedtimes, mornings are a nightmare; your child is a fussy eater or struggles to leave you at school time, bereavement or family separation, 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 Tuesday 16th July

Diary Dates		
15.7.24	Wagtail library visit	AM
16.7.24	Sharon's Drop-in (Family Support)	8.00 - 9.00am
18.7.24	Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Reports go out via Arbor	
18.7.24	Year 1 Phonics Screening outcomes go out via Arbor	
19.7.24	All school books to be returned	

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19.7.24	Hawk Class Rocksteady Concert	2.30pm
23.7.24	Break up for Summer	3.20pm
2.9.24	Non Pupil Day	
3.9.24	Non Pupil Day	
4.9.24	Back to School Reception, Year 1 and Year 2	8.40am
5.9.24	Back to School Nursery	

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