



# Great Bradfords

## INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL

Headteacher: Mrs Anita Easton

### Welcome Back Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2024

Hawk	Laurel, Arya
Eagle	Ivy M, Teddy
Kestrel	Maddie, Danni-Rose
Swift	Ivy, Georgie, Jasmine, Amelia-May
Owl	Rosie, Jaxson
Wagtail	Elliott, Thea
Kingfisher	Mmasichuhw, Hugo
Robin	Isabelle, Astrid
Woodpecker	Kyron, Sijuade
Puffin	Poppy, Isaac, Milo, Henry

### Curriculum Maps

Each term, we produce Curriculum Maps to inform parents of the exciting learning that will be taking place in school. The autumn term maps have now been shared on Class Dojo and Tapestry for all year groups. We hope you find these helpful and that they provide ideas on how to support your child's learning at home.



### PTFA BRADFEST 24

Please join in the fun at our Summer Fete tonight, from 3.30-4.30pm. Sadly, the event has had to be scaled down due to the weather but there are still activities, face paints and a BBQ to keep us happy. Thank you in advance for supporting the school and the PTFA.



### School Library

Our school library will be open every Tuesday after school for children in Reception, Years 1 & 2 to come and choose

3 books to enjoy at home. We will welcome library visitors in through the Eagle classroom door once all the children from Eagle class have been dismissed at the end of the school day. Mr Kimber will soon be sending home some library reward cards, which will be stamped on each visit and a small prize awarded after the 10<sup>th</sup> visit.



### Competition Winner

Last year, summer 2024, some children designed posters for a competition advertising the Paris Olympics. We were delighted to find out that Max was selected as a winner. Well done.



### Earrings

For reasons of health and safety we ask that children do not wear jewellery to school. If your child has pierced ears only plain studs or very small sleepers may be worn. Earrings must be removed for PE and after school sports clubs, eg: gymnastics, olympics, karate. If your child is unable to do this themselves they must be removed before coming to school. We are unable to tape earrings. Thank you for your co-operation.

### Harvest – Collecting Now

Please bring donations to the school office and place on the table with the blue table cloth, or give to class teachers at drop off or pick up. Thank you in advance for your support.



#### Food items

- Cereal (small box)
- UHT Milk or milk alternative

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- Tin Hot Snack (Ravioli, Mac Cheese etc.)
  - Tinned Hot Meat (Stew, curry etc.)
  - Tinned vegetables
  - Packet of instant mash
  - Tinned rice pudding
  - Coffee (small jars)
- \* Please note: We ask for small packs, as larger packs do not fit in our boxes making it difficult for our clients to carry home. In addition, we are unable (for hygiene reasons) to split large size or catering packs. We are always pleased to accept monetary donations if you prefer or Supermarket Gift Cards.

## ASDA Cashpot

Register with ASDA and the PTFA will earn £1.00 for every person registered. Then for a period of time, we will earn cash every time you shop at ASDA in store or online. Even if it's not your store, sign up and we receive a £1.00 donation. That's a lot of money if everyone signs up from the Infant and Junior Schools. Sign up needs to be completed by 30<sup>th</sup> November.



<https://www.asda.com/cashpotforschools>

## Reception Starters 2025

If your child was born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2020 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021, they will be due to start school in September 2025. You will need to complete an online application to request a school of your choice. The application window is from 4<sup>th</sup> November 2024 to 15<sup>th</sup> January 2025.

Please click on the link below for further info.

<https://www.essex.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/admissions/primary-school-places>

To help you decide we will be hosting 2 Open Mornings on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> October and Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> November from 10.00am -12.00pm. Please feel free to come along,

no need to book. You can meet staff and explore our wonderful learning environment.

## Applying for Year 3 Sept 2025

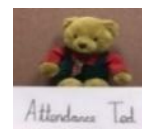
If your child is in Year 2, you will need to apply for their Year 3 place at the Junior School. For more information, please click on the link below. The application window is from 4<sup>th</sup> November 2024 to 15<sup>th</sup> January 2025.

<https://www.essex.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/admissions/junior-year-3-school-places>

## Attendance

The class with the best attendance again this week was Wagtail class with 99%. Well done children, parents and carers.

Unfortunately, we do not have any classes that achieved 100% punctuality. Come on everyone, rise and shine!



## Term Time Holidays

Please remember that holidays during term time are not permitted. Any requests for leave of absence should be made at least two weeks in advance using the form available from the office. There is now a single consistent national threshold for when a penalty notice must be considered by all schools in England, of 10 sessions (usually equivalent to 5 school days) of unauthorised absence within a rolling 10 school week period. The 10 sessions of absence do not have to be consecutive and can be made up of a combination of any type of unauthorised absence (G, O and/or U coded within the school's registers). The 10 school week period can span different terms, school years or education settings. Please refer to our Child Attendance Policy on our website for more information.

<https://www.gbins.co.uk/our-school/policies/>

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### Tidy Classroom

The winning class this week was Swift class. Well done to the children for taking care of their classroom.



### Rocket Points

**Red** rocket teams were the winners this week with **165** 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 time, 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](mailto: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 8.30am - 9.30am on one of the following Mondays:

- 21<sup>st</sup> October
- 25<sup>th</sup> November
- 9<sup>th</sup> December

Diary Dates		
12.10.24	Nursery & Reception Open morning for New Starters (Sept 2025)	10.00am-12.00pm
17.10.24	Flu Immunisations for reception, Year 1 and Year 2	Day

17.10.24	Governor meeting	6.30pm
18.10.24	Kestrel class assembly	9.05am
21.10.24	Freshwater Theatre Company visiting Year 2	AM
21.10.24 to 25.10.24	Book Fair in school	Open 3.20-4.20pm
23.10.24	Parent Consultation meetings for Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2	3.40-6.20pm
24.10.24	Parent Consultation meetings for Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2	3.40-6.20pm
28.10.24 to 1.11.24	Half Term	
4.11.24	Back to school	8.40am
11.11.24	Non-Pupil Day	Day
11.11.25 to 15.11.25	Anti-Bullying Week	
14.11.24	Choose Respect Theatre Workshop for Years 1 & 2	Day

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15.11.24	Owl class assembly	9.05am
16.11.24	Nursery & Reception Open morning for New Starters (Sept 2025)	10.00am-12.00pm
29.11.25	Eagle class assembly	9.05am
2.12.24	Governor meeting	6.30pm
6.12.24	Swift class assembly	9.05am
6.12.24	Nursery & Reception Disco in hall	3.30-4.30pm
6.12.24	Years 1 & 2 Disco in hall	4.45-6.00pm
11.12.24	Christmas Lunch in school	
20.12.24	Last day of term	3.20pm
23.12.24 to 3.1.25	Christmas Holidays	
6.1.24	Back to school for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2	8.40am
7.1.24	Back to school Nursery	
16.1.25	Governor meeting	6.30pm
24.1.25	Hawk class assembly	9.05am
27.1.25	Non-Pupil Day	Day

7.2.25	Wagtail class assembly	9.05am
12.2.25	Parent Consultation Meetings	3.40-6.20pm
13.2.25	Parent Consultation Meetings	3.40-6.20pm
17.2.25 to 21.2.25	Half Term	
24.2.25	Back to school	8.40am
17.3.25	Governor meeting	6.30pm
24.3.25	Reception Dress Rehearsal	9.15am
25.3.25	Reception performance to parents in Kingfisher and ½ Robin class	9.15am
26.3.25	Reception performance to parents in Woodpecker and ½ Robin class	9.15am
7.4.25 to 21.4.25	Easter Holidays	
22.4.25	Back to school	
24.4.25	Governor meeting	6.30pm
16.5.25	Kingfisher class assembly	9.05am
23.5.25	Non-Pupil Day	Day

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26.5.25 to 30.5.25	Half Term	
2.6.25	Back to school	8.40am
9.6.25	Year 1 Phonic Screening Week	
13.6.25	Robin class assembly	9.05am
20.6.25	Woodpecker class assembly	9.05am
7.7.25	Yr 2 Dress rehearsal	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
22.7.25	Last day of term	
23.7.25 to 29.8.25	Summer Holidays	
1.9.25	Non-Pupil Day	Day

2.9.25	Non-Pupil Day	Day
3.9.25	Back to school	8.40am
27.10.25 to 31.10.25	Half Term	
17.11.25	Non-Pupil day	Day
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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