



Great Bradfords

INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL

Headteacher: Mrs Anita Easton

Welcome Back Friday 21st March 2025

Hawk	Sydney, Joshua
Eagle	Ella, Jemima
Kestrel	Macauley, Amelia
Swift	Hanna, Max
Owl	Travis, Sebastian
Wagtail	Frankie, Amelia
Kingfisher	Rosie, Bonnie-Bleu
Robin	Olivia, Felicity
Woodpecker	Lucas, Thomas
Puffin	Brody-Lee, Matilda, Isaac, Arthur B, Theo

New Headteacher

The Governing Board are delighted to inform you that a new Headteacher, Mrs Lisa Dale, has been appointed from September 2025. A letter from the Chair of Governors has been sent to all parents and carers.

Comic relief

It was great to see so many children and adults dressed in something red today. Once I have the final figure raised I will share it with you.



PTFA Easter Egg Hunt

We will be holding our annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday 29th March from 11.00am to 1.00pm. For Infant and Nursery children, tickets may be purchased in advance via Arbor at a cost of £3.50 per child or £4.00 on the day. If you want to purchase additional tickets for children who



do not come to this school, please put your child's name, class and the number of extra tickets in an envelope with the correct cash and hand it into the office or your child's class teacher. The list of names of children who have paid will be on the gate on the day with the extra tickets noted.

There will be lots of games, food and refreshments at the event, as well as both choirs providing entertainment, so come along and support the PTFAs fund raising for both schools and have a fun day out.

Braintree Football Club

We wanted to share a fantastic opportunity for your children to experience live football at an affordable price. Braintree Football club aims to target children who attend school and live nearest to the football club, so in the first instance this is being trialled with Great Bradfords (infants and juniors), Beckers Green, Lyons Hall and Alec Hunter.

A generous local company is subsidising tickets for just £2 each for Braintree Town FC's crucial home game against York City on Saturday, 22nd March at 15:00 at The Rare Breed Meat Co. Stadium, off Clockhouse Way, Braintree, Essex CM7 3DE.

Important details:

- Tickets must be pre-booked using this form: <https://forms.office.com/e/unv6ZTTgtu>
- Tickets must be purchased in advance and collected from Great Bradfords Junior School (CM7 9LW) reception on Saturday, 22nd March between 11:00 and 13:30
- CASH ONLY – correct change required
- Children will be issued wristbands, which they must show on entry

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- Wristbands are for Under-16s only - no adults will be permitted entry with a wristband
- Adult tickets can be purchased at the gate at a reduced cost

This is a fantastic chance for young fans to enjoy an exciting match and support their local team in a crucial fixture.

Attendance

The class with the highest attendance this week was Robin class with 98%. Robin and Wagtail were the only classes to achieve 100% punctuality.



Tidy Classroom

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



Rocket Points

Orange rocket teams were the winners this week with **173** 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 on one of the following mornings:

- 1st April
- 6th May
- 3rd June
- 1st July

Diary Dates		
24.3.25	Reception Dress Rehearsal	9.15am
25.3.25	Reception performance to parents in Kingfisher and ½ Robin class with child's surname A-L	9.15am
26.3.25	Reception performance to parents in Woodpecker and ½ Robin class with child's surname M-Z	9.15am
29.3.25	Easter Egg Hunt	11.00am-1.00pm
1.4.25	Sharon's Drop in	8.00-9.00am
4.4.25	Eagle class Rocksteady concert to parents and carers	2.30pm
7.4.25 to 21.4.25	Easter Holidays	
22.4.25	Back to school for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2	8.40am
23.4.25	Back to school for Nursery	8.40am
24.4.25	Governor meeting	6.30pm
6.5.25	Sharon's Drop in	8.00-9.00am

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16.5.25	Kingfisher class assembly	9.05am
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
9.6.25	Year 1 Phonic Screening Week	
13.6.25	Robin class assembly	9.05am
13.6.25	Bradfest 25	3.30-6.00pm
17.6.25	Night Owls assembly	AM
20.6.25	Woodpecker class assembly	9.05am
1.7.25	Sharon's Drop in	8.00-9.00am
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 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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