



3rd May 2024



BADDOW NEWS

Baddow Hall Infant School Newsletter

Dear Parent/Carer,

This week in reception when I have been talking to children about their learning, it has been great to see how much more confident they are compared to when they started their learning journey with us in September. I spoke with one child in class 2, who gave me a very detailed account of what he had learnt about worms this week.

Communication and language is a significant area of your child's development, at home you can support your child by making the time to talk together.



In Art lessons this week in year 1, children have been learning the skills of colour mixing to create different shades. Children will be using their colour mixing work to complete a piece of artwork inspired by the work of Vincent Scarpace.

Year 2 have been learning about why Neil Armstrong is a significant person in history. The children have been finding facts about the first man on the moon. Some of the children's grandparents might be able to share their stories of watching the first moon landing in 1969.



Thank you to the PSA for organising the disco last week, the children all enjoyed themselves. Thank you also to all the adults who volunteered their time to help out at the disco, as without your support, these events would not be able to take place.

Despite the weather forecast not looking the best, I hope you all enjoy the bank holiday weekend.

Best Wishes,

Lesley Schlanker
Headteacher

School Attendance

School attendance for the academic year to date 94.8% We continue to sit below the school target of 96% for attendance.

Congratulations to the 24 children who received a **100% attendance** certificate. These children have been at school every day since September.

A number of children are arriving after registers close. A reminder that children should be in school no later than **8.45am**. If your child arrives after **9.15am** when registers close they will be marked 'U', which is unauthorised for the session.

Parents may receive a penalty notice for irregular school attendance if punctuality becomes a concern.



Please ensure that your child does not bring any products into school containing nuts, including cereal bars, cakes and sandwich fillings etc.

This also includes chocolate spread as we cannot be sure that it is not Nutella. We have staff and children with severe nut allergies. Thank you



Click on the School Money icon above to book your child's dinners.

Meals for week commencing 13.05.24 need to be booking by 9am Wednesday 8th May

Please ensure to click PAY on the app to ensure meals are sent through to us. If your child has a meal ordered and they arrive with a packed lunch, they will be given the meal and the packed lunch will come home with them.

Any changes to your child's meal choices are to be made by parents by **9am Wednesday's** for the following week to ensure that your child is getting their favourite choice, we appreciate that children can change their preferences.

PLEASE NOTE: We are unable to accept late orders for meals so if you do miss the deadline you will need to provide your child with a packed lunch that week.



Baddow Hall Schools
BREAKFAST CLUB
 open to all Infant and Junior children
Monday – Friday
7.30 – 8.40am

For further details, to check availability and book your child's place, please contact the Infant School office on 01245 471338
Sessions are £6.00 each.
Childcare vouchers accepted.
 Pre-booking only, limited places.
 (adhoc sessions are available on request, depending on availability. These must be booked/paid for in advance of session).

Breakfast Club Reminder
Booking for next half term opens 12noon Monday 13th May and will close 12noon Monday 20th May. If you need sessions for this half term you will need to call and pay.
Please note that some days are full.
 Please ensure if paying for sessions with childcare vouchers that plenty of time is given before each booking window opens so funds can clear in time. **Only pay in what is needed for each half term to prevent building up a large balance.**

We have an Amazon wish list in school. If you are wanting to contribute something, please click [Here](#) for our wish list. **Thank you for all the resources that we have received from parents so far, it is much appreciated.**

Extra-Curricular Clubs
 Just a reminder to please also ensure that you check the clubs time table because some extra-curricular clubs have different finish dates and some have dates where the club is not running. The timetable can be found on our website under the parent tab. It was also emailed to parents before Easter.

Clubs Questionnaire
 Thank you to those families that have already completed the questionnaire regarding clubs. The deadline is Friday 10th May if you haven't already done so.

PSA Events



PSA Movie Night
 You are able to consent and purchase a Film Night Refreshments ticket on School Money. The deadline to purchase a ticket is 12noon Thursday 16th May. There are 120 tickets available so please purchase early to avoid disappointment. We are unable to accommodate anyone after the deadline. Please note that there is **NO DANCE CLUB** on this day.

PSA Frozen Friday's

Back by popular demand is Frozen Fridays. Weather permitting, this will start on Friday 10th May. So bring some spare change with you if the sun is shining.



Baddow Hall Summer Fair

We are so grateful to have permission to advertise our Summer Fair again this year. For many years we have been successful in raising money for the school and the local community. Please support our fundraising efforts by completing and signing the form below to consent to the use of your child's name on the fair.

Please complete the form and return to the school office or email it to psa@baddowhall-inf.essex.sch.uk. Please ensure the form is completed by Friday 10th May. If you have any queries, please contact the school office on 01245 471338.

In the event of any queries, we will be happy to discuss the form with you.



Thank you for completing and signing this form. It will be used to advertise the fair.

Please complete the form and return to the school office or email it to psa@baddowhall-inf.essex.sch.uk.

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Bonds Board for Summer Fair
 If you would like to give permission to have a board outside your home to help advertise our summer fair to the local community, please complete the consent form and return to the school office or email it directly to psa@baddowhall-inf.essex.sch.uk. There will be paper copies in the lobby and they will also be emailed to parents.

Class Photographs

Parent were emailed this week a form to complete regarding consent for their child to be included in their class photos which take place in June. Please ensure that this is completed by **Friday 24th May**.

School Trips

Please ensure to read the trip letter as it states what the children should be wearing and taking with them. The letters for all the school trips can be found on our website.

Reception

Tuesday 14th May—Thorndon Park Gruffalo Trip.

Year 1

Wednesday 15th May—Danbury Park Habitat Day.

Wednesday 12th June—History Off The Page Seaside Day, in school.

Year 2

Wednesday 5th June—Mini Games at CSAC.

Thursday 18th July—Thriftwood Scouting Camp.

Year 2 Parents ONLY—Please ensure to complete the Microsoft form regarding meals for Mini GAMES as children will not be having a school dinner on that day, as per the email sent to parents this week.

Resources for Breakfast Club

To have a little refresh of our Breakfast Club resources we are looking for board games, card games, any toys or drawing resources so if you have anything like this that you no longer need we would really love them for our Breakfast Club. Please drop them into the office. Thank you.

Useful information

Please click [HERE](#) for the useful information tab on our website for parents such as ordering name labels, advice on health for families.

Pierced Ears

If you are considering getting your child's ears pierced, please bear in mind that children are not permitted to wear earrings during PE/after school clubs and tape is not allowed. We recommend having them pierced in the 6 weeks holiday. Children are only permitted to wear studs in school.