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# BADDOW NEWS

## Baddow Hall Infant School Newsletter

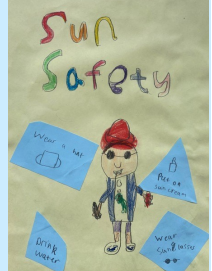
Dear Parent/Carer,

Well done to reception children who did a great performance for their end of year assembly. It has been great to see their confidence grow throughout the year and reflect on all their learning.



This week in reception, children have been developing their cutting skills during food technology. They have all made their own fruit yoghurt and have been excited about taking them home to taste with families.

In year 1, children have been focusing on how we can stay safe during the summer. Children have been learning about sun safety and we have also had the Fire Service in school to deliver an assembly to the children on keeping safe near water.



Children in year 2 have been learning about persuasive writing in English. They have used their learning about deforestation to write a letter to Starbucks to persuade them to make changes to their practice, to help protect the rainforests. Hopefully, year 2 will receive a response to their letters.

This week we sent out a letter to reception and year 1 parents regarding becoming a volunteer in school. Please do complete this [form](#) if you or a grandparent is able to volunteer, either once a week/fortnight.

This weekend we will all be cheering on England in the final of the Euros.

Have a great weekend.  
Best Wishes,  
Lesley Schlanker  
Headteacher



**Good Luck England!**

### School Attendance

School attendance for the academic year to date continues to be **94.99%**

Next week as part of your child's school report you will receive a print out of their attendance.

**98%+ Excellent attendance**

**96%-97% Good**

**93%-95% Satisfactory**

**Below 92% Concern**

**90% and below– Persistent Absentee**

**50% and below– Severe Absentee**

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 22.07.24 need to be booking by 9am Wednesday 17th July.** Reception and Year 1 will also need to order meals for week commencing 2nd September.

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, if you 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.

(ad hoc 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 opened 12noon**

**Monday 8th July and closes at 12noon Monday 15th July.**

Please be reminded that sessions will be **£6.50** each from next half term.

If you need sessions for this current half term you will need to call to book and pay. **Please note that some days are already 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.**

### After School Clubs

Just to remind parents that Tennis, Basketball and Gymnastics Club finished this week. Next week is the last week for Music Band, Football and Dance. The timetable for next term will be released to parents at the end of this term and parents will be able to book spaces directly with providers when we return in September.

### End of year assemblies

The PSA will be selling refreshments before you enter the assemblies. They take cash or card as payment.

**Year 1—9.30-10.00am Friday 19th July**

**Year 2—2.30-3.15pm Monday 22nd July**

Parents/carers are invited to attend. Pre-schoolers are welcome too and must be supervised by their adult at all times.

### Reminder: Year 2

**Thursday 18th July—**Thriftwood Scouting Camp. Year 2 children will need a packed lunch on this day. Please read the letter giving details of what the children will need to wear. This can be found on our website.

If you haven't already done so, please pay any remaining installments by the deadline which was **Friday 28th June.**

### Medication

If your child has medication that needs to be held in school, this will come home with your child on the last day of term. If they require the medication to be administered in school for the next academic year you will need to bring it to the office, in its original packaging and complete fresh forms for the year. Please ensure that the medication has not expired. If there are updated medical care plans relating to your child, please also bring these in to the office.

### Pierced Ears—Reminder!

Children may wear stud earrings in school. **Hoops and other earrings are not permitted for safety reasons.**

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 may wear a wrist watch in school if they are learning to tell time (analogue). We recommend not to wear high value watches in case they were to get lost or damaged. No other jewellery should be worn in school.

### Safeguarding—end of day pick up IMPORTANT

If your child is going home with a different adult who is not on your approved regular contacts, please inform your child's class teacher that morning or please call or email the office. Your child will not be released unless we have received your permission.

### Birthday's

Children are welcome to bring in sweets or birthday party invitations to hand out to their friends if it is their birthday. This will need to be done in the playground before or after school though when their parents are present. Please be mindful that some children may have allergies. Staff are unable to do this task on your child's behalf.



### Spare PE Kit needed urgently.

We have run out of spare PE shorts, joggers and PE tops. If you have any you no longer need, please may we have them.

If you would like to donate any uniform at the end of the school year, please bring it to the office so we can either use it as spares or it can be given to the PSA for their pre-loved uniform sales.

### 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. It also gives information about events taking place within the local community, which are updated regularly.