



# **Baddow Hall Infant School Newsletter**

# Dear Parents/Carers.





We held our Remembrance assembly today, during which the children and staff held a minute silence to reflect. Thank you all for your contributions to the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal.



We have made a display in the lobby of the poppies created by the children. They have made poppies from recycled materials such as egg boxes, some are sewn together and some are made from dough. There is a huge range of creative ideas and the children should be very proud of their hard work. Our poppy display is an important reminder to both children and staff of the huge sacrifice given by so many.

Across the school, we are currently thinking about our school value of 'Being resilient'. Children have been learning that being resilient helps us to achieve. We all need to work hard and aim high, try our best and never give up, participate and get involved, have pride in our work, be independent, and not be afraid to make mistakes.



Happy Diwali to all our families and children who will be celebrating this weekend. We will be learning more about Diwali in assembly on Monday, if any of the children would like to bring in anything to share with us from their celebrations that would be amazing.

Have a good weekend. Best Wishes.

Lesley Schlanker Headteacher

# School Attendance

#### School attendance for this half term 96.5%

We have a few cases of chickenpox in school. If your child is diagnosed with chicken pox they will need to stay away from school until all the spots have formed a scab.

## IMPORTANT: Primary and Junior school places for September 2024

From Monday 6th November 2023 you can apply online for your child's primary (reception) or junior (year 3) school place. Applications received after the Monday 15th January 2024 are considered late and

will reduce your chance of being offered a place at your preferred schools.



Please ensure that your child does not bring any products THIS SCHOOL IS NUT FREE 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. Orders must be placed by:

9am Wednesday 15th November for week commencing 20th November 2023. Please ensure to click <u>PAY</u> on the app to ensure that the meals are sent through to us.

Our new menu starts after half term and meals can be pre-ordered up until Christmas.

Please note that 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. This helps to cut down on food wastage.

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.



#### Breakfast Club Reminder

Booking for this half term is now closed on School Money. If you need sessions you will need to call to check availability and book/pay over the phone.

If you are in need of occasional adhoc sessions you will need to call the office to book and pay for the sessions that you need if we have spaces.

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.

We have an Amazon wish list in school. If you are wanting to contribute something, please click <u>Here</u> for our wish list.



<u>Children in Need—Non Uniform Day</u> Your child may come to school on Friday 17th November in nonuniform in exchange for a donation to raise money for Children in Need. Donations can be made, preferably via School Money. There is a suggested amount of £2 but you may change this to however much you wish to donate.

If your child usually has PE on this day, please ensure that they are wearing something suitable for PE and no earrings (unless they can remove them themselves).

### Flu Immunisation for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2

An email was sent to parents this week regarding the flu immunisation which will be delivered in school on Monday 20th November. Please click on the link on the email to let the immunisation team know if you DO or DO NOT consent to your child having this. Please submit one per child, deadline is Thursday 16th November. If you have any questions please contact the immunisation team directly. Their contact details are on the email.

#### Year 2 Great Fire of London Day—Friday 17th November

A letter has been sent to year 2 parents regarding this exciting day for the children. Please could parents pay their contribution to help us cover costs for this event on School Money as soon as possible.



In order to make the day as enjoyable for the children as possible, we need parent helpers on the day for either the morning session, afternoon session or the whole day. If you are able to help, please let your child's class teacher know by end of day Friday 10th November. Thank you.

- Baddow Hall PSA present:
  Amigo's Magic Show!
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#### **PSA Magic Show** Children should be collected from their classrooms at 4.45pm prompt!

If your child bought any magic show items, they will be handed out during the show for your child to bring home and enjoy. These items should not be brought into school. Thank you.

### Reception Library Visit

Reception children will be having their visit to the library on Monday 13th November. The letter can be found on our website. Class 1 - 9.30-10.45am (will leave school at 9.10am)

## Class 2 – 1.30-2.45pm (will leave school at 1.10pm)

Please ensure that children have with them a coat, and if it is particularly chilly, a hat and gloves too. Please make sure everything is named.

If you are a parent that has been confirmed as a volunteer to help walk the children there and back, please ensure to arrive in school before the departure time for your child's class. Thank you.

### PSA Pre-loved Christmas Jumper Sale

The PSA will be holding a pre-loved Christmas Jumper sale at end of the school day Friday 24th November. If you have any Christmas Jumpers that your child may have grown out of that you are willing to donate, please could we have them by Wednesday 22nd November. All funds raised will go into the school fundraising pot.

## Poppies for The Royal British Legion

Thank you to everyone that purchased a poppy or accessory on the school gates this week. We will let you know how much was raised by our school as soon as we know.



#### Stikins

STIKINS If you are needing name labels for your child's uniform, water bottles etc we recommend Stikins. If you do order from them, please quote our fundraising number 1081 as the school will receive a small commission for each order placed.