



18th September 2026



BADDOW NEWS

Baddow Hall Infant School Newsletter

Dear Families,

This week reception have joined us for all our assemblies, where they have been demonstrating their good listening skills. In assembly, we are focusing on embedding our school rules with the children, ensuring they understand what the expectations are in school. Staff talk to children about the impact of their choices, both positive and negative. It is important that children understand that their actions have consequences.

Our School Rules
Make good choices
Be safe
Be ready to learn

Children are able to earn Headteacher Awards for following the school rules or demonstrating our school values. Parents are able to view our school Behaviour and Relationships policy on the [website](#).



If you have a child who is due to start school in September 2027 or know someone in the local area whose child will be, we have a number of school tours on the [website](#) that can be booked by calling the school office. The tours are for parents only to minimise disruption to the children's learning as we walk around school.

We know family life is busy, and keeping up with school communications can sometimes feel like a job in itself! With this in mind, we have decided to move to publishing our school newsletter **every two weeks**. This new schedule will allow us to continue sharing all the important news, celebrations, reminders and upcoming events from around the school in a more manageable and purposeful way. Please be reassured that parents will still receive reminder emails about school dinner bookings, trips, events and any other time-sensitive information as needed.

Today the PSA have their first event of the year. The sponsored fun walk will take place on the junior field after school today. I hope to see many of you there to start our fundraising for the year.

Have a good weekend,
Best wishes,
Lesley Schlanker
Headteacher

Reminder of upcoming dates

PSA fun walk: Friday 18th September BHJS

Meeting for reception parents: 2.30pm Thurs 24th Sept

Please check the calendar on the [school website](#) regularly for upcoming dates.



School Attendance

A leave of absence will only be authorised in exceptional circumstances in line with the guidance from the DfE. If you are thinking about taking your child out of school, then a leave of absence form, must be completed. Parents may receive a fixed penalty notice for taking their child out of school. Please visit this

website for further information <https://www.essex.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/attendance-and-absence/penalty-notice>

If you need to email or leave a telephone message with the office regarding your child, please ensure to include your child's first and last name in the email/message as well as your child's class number.

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

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

Pre-order your child's school dinners

Meals for the **Week beginning 28th September must be booked by midnight Tuesday 22nd September.**

If a meal is not booked, parents will be phoned and asked to provide their child with a packed lunch. If a meal has been booked and they arrive with a packed lunch they will be given the meal and the packed lunch will come home with them. Please ensure to check your bookings on Parent Pay.



Breakfast Club

If you are needing a childcare solution in the mornings due to needing to get to work, we run a fantastic Breakfast Club which caters for infant & junior children and starts at 7.30am. If you would like to register your child, please contact the infant office.

Breakfast Club sessions can be booked online via Parent Pay at any time, but no later than 7.15am on the day. (The serving of food finishes at 8.15am).

Childcare vouchers can be used as payment for breakfast club sessions, please see <https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/> for additional information on how to apply.



REMINDER: Important—PARENT PAY—do not use One Click Payments

When making a payment on Parent Pay please **do not** use One Click Payments as the payment method. Please see the letter that was emailed to parents regarding this.

Extra-Curricular Clubs started this week

There are still spaces in some of the clubs if you would like to sign your child up for a place. Flyers for all our clubs which detail how to book and the timetable of clubs available can be found on our website under the parents—before and after school tab. Please note that if any clubs do not achieve their minimum numbers they will not be able to go ahead.



We have excited to tell you that we have managed secured 2 new clubs which will be starting next week. Chelsea Football Club are running a Multi-Skills Club on a Wednesday and a Multi-Sports Club on a Thursday, available to all year groups. If you would like more details or to book your child in, please see the flyers here. They will also be available on our website.

Important dates for this term

- Friday 18th September—PSA Fun Walk
- Monday 12th October—Individual and infant sibling photos
- Friday 16th October—PSA AGM and PSA Autumn Fair
- Tuesday 20th & Thursday 22nd October—Parent Consultations
- Friday 23rd October—Inset day
- Monday 26th to Friday 30th October—Half term

PSA Fun Walk

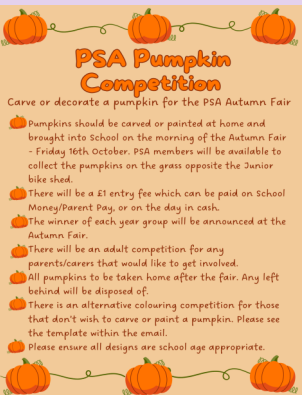
Please see the poster regarding the fun walk that will be taking place next week.

The sponsor form has been emailed to parents this week.

A payment option will be available on Parent Pay for parents to pay in the sponsor money once it has been collected. We are a cashless school.



PSA Events



Reception change of clothes bag

All reception children should have a bag on their peg with a change of school uniform in it, including spare underwear, socks and footwear. This is in case of personal accidents or if the children fall and get wet in the playground. Please ensure that EVERYTHING is clearly named

Pre-loved Uniform Donations

If you are having a clear out over the half term we are in need of the following for our spare clothing boxes: (please only give us any of the items below, thank you)

Boys white polo tops (any size), **PE shorts** (any size), **Tracksuit bottoms ONLY** (any size), **PE white tshirt** (any size), **spare sun hats**.

If you have any other uniform you no longer need we can pass this onto the PSA for you to sell.



Amazon Wishlist

We have an Amazon wish list in school. If you would like to contribute something, please click [Here](#) for our wish list.

Easy Fundraising

Money raised can really help our school to buy additional equipment or resources to benefit the children and it doesn't cost you anything.

To register is simple (and FREE), please click the link [HERE](#)



Keep your postage stamps for us—Stamp Collecting for charity

We are collecting postage stamps for charity and have a collection box in the lobby. Please cut around the stamps and place them in the donation box. (Please do not give them to us attached to envelopes with personal details on).

Useful information—including local events and holiday clubs information

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

If you use **Stikins** to order name labels please ensure to use our unique code so that we get a small commission on the orders placed. **Our code is 1081.**

This page is also updated regularly with events taking place in the local area so please ensure to check them out.

Medical Appointments

Medical appointments such as routine dental checkups should be done outside of school times where possible. If you are needing to take your child to a medical appointment during school hours please show proof of this appointment to the office either in person or you can email over a screenshot. Please let the office know the time your child will be either collected or dropped off and whether their school dinner would need cancelling.

Textiles Recycling

We have a textiles recycling box beside the bike shelter. If you are having a sort out of clothes, shoes, bedding, curtains etc, please use this bin to recycle them. This helps to raise funds for the school. A poster of which items can and can't be recycled can be found on the window of our main entrance and also on the side of the recycling box. **(They do not accept school uniform items with logo's on it).** Any school logo uniform in good condition you no longer need, please give to the PSA rather than place in the recycle box.

Pre-loved uniform

The PSA regularly hold pre-loved uniform sales. You can also contact the PSA at anytime if you are in need of uniform and they can check what they have. Please contact the PSA directly at psa@baddowhall-inf.essex.sch.uk (you can hand pre-loved uniform into the office and we will pass this onto the PSA).

Lost Property

If your child has lost something please check in our lost property boxes which are in the lobby of the main entrance. We please urge parents to name everything, including lunch boxes, coats and water bottles so that they can be easily reunited with your child.

Any unclaimed items remaining in lost property on the last day of each term will be recycled or disposed of.



Our vision is for every child to make the best possible progress.