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BADDOW NEWS

Baddow Hall Infant School Newsletter

Dear Families,



As we reach the last day of the academic year, it gives us an opportunity to reflect on the achievements of the children. Yesterday, the leavers' assembly demonstrated how far the year 2 children have come in their three years at Baddow Hall Infants. Their confidence, the knowledge they have and the skills they have developed, are through their own hard work, that of the staff and from you their parents. Enabling your child to make the best possible progress requires a strong partnership between home and school. Thank you all the parents, for supporting your child through this year.



Thirty years, thousands of children and no marking left to do. We want to congratulate Mrs Cook on her well deserved retirement. Thank you for being an amazing teacher and trusted colleague. Mrs Cook has seen many changes over her time at our school and we have all benefitted from her knowledge, expertise and support. I am sure you will join me in wishing her a very happy and healthy retirement.

Last week, I took Skyler (C5) and Jasper (C6) to the pupil forum at Pontlands Park. The children presented our school council project and took questions from the audience. I was extremely proud of Skyler and Jasper, they were so confident and did a fantastic presentation. Well done!



The PSA have had an amazing year, fundraising for Baddow Hall Schools. They have raised at this point, **£18,297** and have more to add to this total. Thank you to everyone who has helped as part of the committee, the engagement in the events by parents and the local companies who donate prizes for our raffles. Please take some time to read their newsletter.



Today we say goodbye to our amazing year 2 children. We hope you all remember to make good choices, be safe and be ready to learn as you move into the juniors and beyond. Remember to keep hold of our values of respect, resilience and curiosity. Dream big, work hard and be the best possible version of yourself that you can be. We wish you all the very best of luck for the future.

We finished the term today with a Playground Proms Quartet performance. The children were treated to some professional musicians performing a range of music. What a wonderful way to end the year!

I wish you all a safe summer holidays and look forward to seeing you all on **Wednesday 2nd September 2026.**

Best wishes,
Lesley Schlanker
Headteacher

Attendance Matters



School Attendance

Congratulations to those children who have achieved **100% attendance** this academic year.

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 1st & 7th September must be booked by 12noon Friday 17th July.**

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. We will not be sending out reminders to those parents that have missed the deadline.



ParentPay

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.

PSA Summer Fair



Thank you for attending the summer fair last week, we hope everyone had a wonderful time. A huge thank you to the Year 2 children who ran stalls at the fair.

Important dates for next term

Monday 1st September—Inset Day

Tuesday 2nd September—First day back of the new school year

Tuesday 8th September—2.30pm Year 2 Parents Meeting

Thursday 10th September—2.30pm Year 1 Parents Meeting

Monday 14th September—Extra-curricular clubs commence (except Music which starts following Monday)

New Reception important dates

Wednesday 2nd—Friday 4th September—8.40-11.50am

Monday 7th—Wednesday 9th September—8.40-1.30pm

Thursday 10th September—full days from now onwards

Monday 7th September—reception can attend Breakfast Club

Wednesday 2nd—Wednesday 9th September—Home Visits

Please ensure that your child wears PE kit to school on their PE days and that earrings are removed on days where they have PE or active after school clubs.

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.

Medication held in school

This is just a reminder that if we hold any medication in school for your child, it will be coming home with them on the last day of term. Any medication that is required for September onwards must be brought to the **office** where new paperwork will need to be completed for the academic year. All medication must be in its original packaging (eg an asthma inhaler must be in its box along with a spacer).



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.