



24th October 2024



BADDOW NEWS

Baddow Hall Infant School Newsletter

Dear Families,

We have reached the end of a very busy half term. Thank you to everyone who attended parent consultations this week. It is a good opportunity to reflect on the children's achievements and the next steps in their development. The children have worked extremely hard this half term and have demonstrated excellent learning behaviours. The partnership between home and school is extremely important in enabling the children to make the best possible progress, so thank you to parents for the support you provide.



If you would like to know more information about what your child will be learning next half term, then please visit the year group pages on the [school website](#).

There are a number of events on the school calendar for next half term, so please take a moment over half term to add these to your diary.

Last week the PSA hosted the Autumn Fair. Thank you to everyone who was involved in organising the fair or helped on a stall and those who attended to help raise funds for both schools.



The Hindu festival of Diwali will take place over half term and we wish all our families who are celebrating a wonderful time. If any families would like to send some photographs of their celebrations that we can share with the children in assembly, please email them to admin@baddowhall-inf.essex.sch.uk

A reminder that the clocks go back an hour this weekend. We will return to school on Monday 4th November, have a great half term.

Best Wishes,
Lesley Schlanker
Headteacher

School Attendance

Our school attendance target is **97%**.

This half term our attendance is **96%**

95 pupils currently have 100% attendance.

Punctuality is important. Children need to be in school for register at 8.45am. If your child is late to school, parents are required to sign them in at the office and to record the reason for lateness.

IMPORTANT REMINDER: Earrings cannot be worn on PE days or if your child attends a club, unless the child can remove them themselves. Staff are not permitted to remove or tape earrings.



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.


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

Deadline to order meals for week commencing 11th November is 9am Wednesday 6th November. You can order meals up to the Christmas break.

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.

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 £6.50 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 is now closed. If you need sessions for next half term, please call to book.

Please note that we are unable to accommodate your child if we are fully booked.

Please ensure if paying 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.

WISHLIST

Amazon Wishlist

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 the items we have recently received.

Reception and Year 3 Admissions for 2025-26

If your child is due to start year 3 or reception in September 2025, you must apply for their place via the local authority. The admissions round opens on **Monday 4th November 2024 and will close Wednesday 15th January 2025.**

Please note that year 2 children do not automatically get a place at our junior school so please ensure that you apply within the timeframe above, whichever junior school you wish them to attend. Please click [HERE](#) for more information.

Whole School Annual Flu Immunisations

The immunization team will visit our school on **Thursday 7th November**. A consent form was emailed out to parents so please ensure that if you want your child to receive the immunization in school it will only be administered to those whose consent has been received. Deadline is **Tuesday 5th November**.

Non-Uniform Day for Children in Need

Your child may come to school in non-uniform on **Friday 15th November** in exchange for a donation which is to be paid via School Money. All donations will go to Children in Need. There is a suggested amount of £2.00 but you can pay whatever you wish be it greater or smaller. Please bring in named PE kit if your child has PE that day.

Reception—Height, Weight & Vision Checks

The nursing team will be visiting Reception children on **Wednesday 6th November** and will conduct height, weight and vision checks on all children unless the parent had **opted out** of this. A letter was emailed to parents regarding this.

PSA Events

We hope you are looking forward to the School Disco in November. Please note that Dance club will still be running as normal. Year 1 & 2 children need a ticket in order to attend.







Easyfundraising—don't forget to register, it is FREE!

We are registered with easyfundraising, a fantastic online platform that enables you to raise free donations with every purchase you make. To register is simple, please click the link [HERE](#)



Stamps

We are collecting used postage stamps for the Royal National Institute for the Blind (RNIB). If you have any stamps collected, please bring them to the school office.



Poppy sales for Royal British Legion

We will be selling poppies and accessories on by the main gates every morning for Royal British Legion so please bring some cash with you if you wish to purchase anything.

Lost Property—we have lots in our lost property box.

Any items remaining at end of term will be recycled.

Useful information—including holiday club 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.