



8th November 2024



BADDOW NEWS

Baddow Hall Infant School Newsletter

Dear Families,

Welcome back to the second half of the autumn term, I hope everyone enjoyed some time with family and friends. This weekend has a focus on Remembrance across our nation and we have displayed in the entrance to school all the amazing poppies the children have created. We are really impressed with the creativity shown through the designs. Our poppy display is an important reminder to both children and staff of the huge sacrifice given by so many. We will be holding our assembly for the children to remember all those who keep us safe on Monday. We encourage children to wear their poppy to school for this assembly.



Next week is also national Anti-bullying week. In our assembly today, we talked about the theme for the week which is 'Choose Respect' and related this to our school value of Being Respectful.

We reminded the children that adults and children are all responsible for their behavior, and we all need to choose

to be respectful and kind to others.

I am really proud of the children in our school and how they demonstrate respect through their words and actions towards each other.

Today we have the PSA Disco Party. I am sure we will all have a great time dancing to some familiar songs. Thank you to the PSA team for organising this fundraising event. The money raised throughout the year goes back to both schools to enrich the learning opportunities for the children.

Have a great weekend.

Best Wishes,
Lesley Schlanker
Headteacher

School Attendance

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

Our school attendance is currently **95.9%**

12% of pupils at our school are currently considered persistent absentees as their attendance is 90% or below.

Every day matters.

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 18th November is 9am Wednesday 13th 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.

(adhoc sessions are available on request, depending on availability. These must be booked/paid for in advance of session).

Breakfast Club Reminder

Booking for this half term is now closed. If you need sessions for this 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 opened 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.

Easyfundraising—double up week

Next week Easyfundraising have promised to double any money raised so if you are planning on doing your Christmas shopping, please click via the easyfundraising website so any purchases you make raise money for our school. If you haven't already signed up, please do so.

It does not cost you extra to purchase via Easyfundraising and the money raised can really help our school to buy additional equipment or resources to benefit the children. To register is simple (and FREE), please click the link [HERE](#)



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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.



PSA Events

WE hope that those children that attended the disco today had a fabulous time.

The PSA have been busy organizing events for the Christmas period, please make a note on your calendar from the timetable below.

Parents support with these events is always greatly appreciated so if you are able to purchase raffle tickets or donate pre-loved good condition items it all helps to make these events a huge success.

PSA Christmas Event Calendar

Look out for further details on each event

-  14th and 15th Nov - Collection of pre-loved toys, books, Christmas jumpers
-  28th and 29th Nov - Pre-loved Christmas jumper sale and Santa slot tickets on sale
-  28th Nov onwards - Christmas Raffle Ticket sales
-  6th Dec - Christmas hair/head boppers/hats at school in exchange for a bottle/sweets/chocolate for the Christmas Fair
-  6th Dec - Christmas Fair
-  Junior Year 3 & 4 Christmas Production
-  Refreshments 10th and 11th Dec
-  12th Dec - Elfridges Stall (during school day)
-  Infant Christmas Assembly Refreshments 17th, 18th and 19th Dec
-  19th Dec - Raffle is drawn

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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 Monday morning at the main gates for Royal British Legion so please bring some cash with you if you wish to purchase anything.

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.