



29th September 2023



BADDOW NEWS

Baddow Hall Infant School Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you to everyone who sent in recycling materials for reception to use on their creative table. The children have used the materials to make their own models. They impressed us with their creativity and also their resilience, particularly when using the masking tape. Thank you to everyone who attended the phonics meeting for reception parents, we hope you found it useful.



Nell C3

In Art lessons, year one children have been developing their observational drawing skills. They have investigated different mark making techniques and how to use the space on the page. They have also looked at the work of British artists, David and Mandy Shepherd.

Children in year 2 have been finding out about different landmarks around the world. They have been learning the difference between facts and opinion whilst carrying out their research. The children have then written their own fact file about the landmark. Can you work out what Louis C6 has written about?



This afternoon is the PSA sponsored walk and the weather is looking great. Remember if you can not take part today, you can still contribute to our fundraising total.

Have a great weekend.

Best Wishes,

Lesley Schlanker

School Attendance

School attendance this week is **96.9%**

A reminder that if your child arrives after registers close at **9.15am**, the session will be marked as an unauthorised absence.

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.

Read about the primary (Reception) or junior (year 3) school place application process.

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 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 4th October for week commencing 9th October 2023.

Please ensure to click PAY on the app to ensure that the meals are sent through to us. (all infant school children receive Universal Free School Meals).

The current menu will continue until the October Half Term.

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.

Please ensure that any changes to your child's meal choices are made by Wednesday's for the following week to ensure that your child is getting their favourite choice, we appreciate that children can change their preferences.

Individual Photographs

Proofs were sent home with your child last week. If you wish to place an order, this is done directly with Horizon Photographic, we do not accept orders or cash on their behalf. **Please place orders by Sunday 1st October to have free delivery to the school.**





Breakfast Club Reminder

Please do not send your child to Breakfast Club if they are not booked in.

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.

Please ensure that if you intend to pay for sessions with childcare vouchers that plenty of time is given before each booking window opens so that the funds can clear in time.

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

PSA Fun Walk

Thank you for participating in our fundraising event and collecting sponsor money. All sponsor money raised should be paid on School Money. A payment has been set up and open already. Deadline for this is end of day Friday 6th October.

Parent Consultations

Parent Consultations will take place on **Tuesday 17th** and **Thursday 19th October**. Please book your 10 minute appointment with your child's class teacher using the link **HERE**. Booking opens at 6pm Monday 2nd October and will close at 6pm Monday 9th October. Any parent that has not booked within this period will be allocated an appointment from the remaining slots. Please check you can log in before this opens. If you are unable to get childcare then your child may accompany you but must be supervised at all times. The letter regarding this was emailed to parents this week and is also on our website.

Please note that Tennis and Gymnastics Clubs are still happening on these dates.

Harvest Assembly

We will be having our Harvest Festival Assembly on **Friday 13th October**. We are asking for food and toiletries donations in readiness for this. A letter and a shopping list from the foodbank has been sent to parents this week. Chelmsford Foodbank will be collecting our donations after the assembly. As mentioned in the letter, this assembly is for the children only. Any food donations can be handed into the office from Wednesday 11th October.



Medical Appointments

If you are having to take your child out of school for medical or dental appointments, please ensure to provide proof of these appointments to the office. This can either be by showing us a hospital letter or text reminder. This can either be brought to the office or you can email us a clear screenshot of it. Where possible, please book dental appointments out of school hours.

Time off for illness

Just a reminder that if your child is unwell and unable to attend the school, please ensure to let the office know either by telephone or email by 9am on the first day of absence. **Please state your child's first and last name, class number and the reason for absence (ie has a temperature, please don't simply state unwell).** If your child has sickness or diarrhea, they will need to remain off school for 48hours from the last instance.

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.

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Borrowed Clothing

If your child has borrowed clothing from us, please could it be returned to either their class teacher or to the office. Many thanks.