



17th April 2026



# BADDOW NEWS

Dear Families,

Welcome back for the summer term. There are lots of dates on the [school calendar](#) for this term, please take some time to add them to your own diary. To find out more about your child's curriculum for this term, please visit the class pages on the [school website](#).

Today children in year 2 have received their offer for their junior school placement. If you have not received an email from ECC, please check your junk mail or contact planning and admissions.

For those families who have been offered a place for our reception intake this September, we have written to you today. The letter contains a link to the admission form, which should be completed and submitted by 1st May 2026. Thank you.



Please take a few minutes to sign up to easy fundraising. When you shop online with over 8000 participating retailers, they will donate part of what you spend to Baddow Hall Infant school. Whether you shop on your phone, laptop or tablet, you can earn free cashback donations for our school. Please click on the [icon](#) to sign up.

I hope everyone had a great Easter break with family and friends. We have been hearing about some exciting adventures and experiences, giving us an opportunity to find new places on the map.

Please ensure that nail polish, children's temporary tattoos and jewellery is removed for school, as these are not part of our school uniform expectations. Thank you.



Next week look out for the letter from school council about the sponsored 'obstacle course' they are planning in order to raise funds for the active gym equipment.

Have a great weekend.  
Lesley Schlanker  
Headteacher

**Family Learning Day**  
Friday 22nd May- details coming soon.

## School Attendance



In the next few days, we are sending out your child's attendance for the school year up until the end of the spring term. Where there are concerns about your child's level of absence, I will be contacting parents directly. Please be reminded that if your child is not in school due to a medical appointment, this is recorded as an authorised absence and will still impact on your child's overall percentage attendance. If your child is late and arrives after 9.15am this is recorded as an unauthorised absence.

## Reporting absence—reminder

If your child will be absent from school you must **call or email the office** rather than the class teacher by **9.30am**. When calling or emailing, please include the following information:

- **Child's first and last name**
- **Class number (or name of teacher)**
- **Reason for absence**

Please note that if your child has been sick or has had diarrhea, they must remain off school for **48 hours** from the last instance. This is to help prevent the spread of potential bugs.

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.

## Order your child's school dinners

Please book your child's meals in advance.

Meals for the **week beginning 27th April must be booked by midnight on Tuesday 21st April.**

If a meal is not booked, reminders are not always sent out so parents will be phoned and asked to provide their child with a packed lunch.

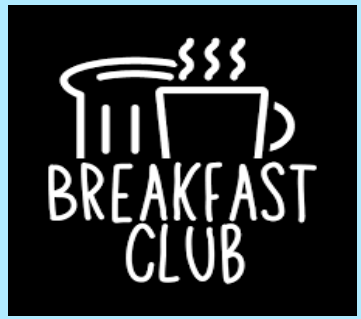


### **Breakfast Club**

If you are needing a child care 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. Please ensure not to overpay us in vouchers or build up a large credit.



### **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.

### **Reception Thorndon Park Trip next Friday**

We hope that the reception children are looking forward to their school trip to Thorndon Park. Please ensure to check the trip letter so you know what your child needs to wear and bring with them on the day. If you are making your child's packed lunch that day, please ensure that it does not contain anything with nuts, this also includes chocolate spread as we cannot be sure it is not Nutella.

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Please ensure to arrive on time for registration as the coach needs to leave promptly on time to arrive at the venue.

If your child would usually attend Little Spring Wonders or YMCA on this day but are not going, please ensure to let them know directly.



### **Extra-Curricular Clubs—Clubs start next week**

A timetable and flyers for Summer term clubs can be found under the parent tab of our website. Please note that Spanish have spaces available if your year 1 or 2 child would like to attend.

Don't forget to book your child into your preferred club direct with the club provider by Sunday 19th April.

### **New Clubs**

We are looking to start new clubs in the Autumn Term and one we are really interested in is Lego Club. We would need donations of Lego though in order for this to work as currently we do not have enough in school. If any of your older children or you know of anyone that wants to offload their Lego, we would most certainly give it a good home. If donations of Lego could please be brought to the office.



### **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.

### **School Trips 2025-26—please see dates below**

**Friday 24th April—Reception Thorndon Park—Gruffalo Trail**

**Tuesday 12th May—Year 1 Danbury Park—Pond Dipping & Wildlife**

**Thursday 14th May—Year 2 Thriftwood Scout Campsite—Outdoor activities**

**Tuesday 16th June—Year 1 Seaside Day—with History Off The Page**

**Tuesday 30th June—Year 2 Mini Games—competing with other schools at CSAC**

Letters for all the trips have been emailed to parents and are on our website under the parents-letters tab.

### **Other important dates coming up**

Tuesday 14th April—Forest School for reception children commences

Thursday 16th April—National offer day for reception & Year 3 places

Monday 20th April—extra-curricular clubs commence this week for Summer term

Friday 24th April—PSA crazy hair/hat day

Saturday 25th April—TCS Mini Marathon in London. (registered children only, via the PSA)

Tuesday 28th April—Dental Services Visit for reception children

### **PSA Crazy Hair/Hat Day– Friday 24th April**

Your child may come to school with a crazy hair or hat creation in exchange for a donation. This is completely optional. Donations can be made via Parent Pay. All other uniform should be worn as usual.





### 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 RNIB

We are collecting postage stamps on behalf of the Royal Institute for the Blind 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).

**RNIB**

See differently

### 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.

### 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).** If you have any school logo uniform in good condition that 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](mailto:psa@baddowhall-inf.essex.sch.uk) (you can hand pre-loved uniform into the office and we will pass this onto the PSA).

### Pre-loved Uniform Donations

If you had a clear out over Easter 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.**

### 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.*