



27th March 2026



# BADDOW NEWS

Dear Families,

A great end to the spring term with our annual Easter Bonnet parade. Thank you to Mrs Webster and Mrs Dale, our judges, who had the difficult task of choosing winners for each class. Well done Baddow Hall on your wonderful creations, some very original ideas, the children certainly enjoyed showing them off to everyone. Thank you for joining us at St Mary's church for our Easter Service to end the term.



### Easter Bonnet Winners:

- Class 1: Yoann and Georgia
- Class 2: Henry and Mollie
- Class 3: Leonard and Arianna
- Class 4: Omar and Bella C
- Class 5: Max C and Hallie-Rose
- Class 6: George W and Willow



We started the week with performances from the children at music club. This was a great opportunity for the children to develop their confidence in front of an audience.

We will hopefully return to school with warmer weather, which encourages more walking, scooting or cycling to school. Please remember that all children, including preschoolers should not be riding scooters or bikes on the school site before or after school. This helps to keep our site safe.

Have a great Easter break.

Lesley Schlanker  
Headteacher

Summer term begins on  
**Monday 13th April 2026**

### School Attendance

**Our school attendance target is 97%.** The current percentages for each year group are disappointing.  
Reception: 94.6% Year 1: 92.5% Year 2: 95.6%  
**All year groups are currently well below our attendance target.**



### 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 20th April must be booked by midnight on Tuesday 14th 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.



ParentPay

**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 Easter Fair**



Thank you to everyone that attended our PSA Easter fair after school last Friday. We hope that everyone enjoyed themselves. Our next PSA event after Easter will be Crazy Hair or Hat Day which takes place on Friday 24th April. More details will be sent to parents nearer the time. Also don't forget to apply for a space in the Mini Marathon. An email was sent to parents Yesterday. Deadline is 3pm today! (limited spaces).

**Pre-loved Uniform Donations**

If you are having 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**.

**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.

**Extra-Curricular Clubs**

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.

We are excited to inform you that we have a new club starting in the summer term. NGU Dance which has provided street dancing lessons as part of PE provision for Year 2 will be providing an after school dance club on Fridays.

**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.

Payments are open on ParentPay for each trip/event, giving parents plenty of notice of costs involved and time available to pay their contribution for each trip/event.

**Other important dates coming up**

Friday 27th March—Last day of Spring term

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

### **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.



### **Amazon Wishlist**

We have an Amazon wish list in school. If you would like to contribute something, please click [Here](#) for our wish list.



### **Easyfundraising**

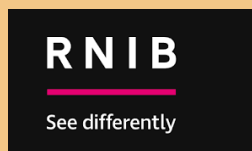
Money raised can really help our school to buy additional equipment or resources to benefit the children and it doesn't cost you anything.

**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).



### **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 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).

### **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.***