# BADDOW NEWS



### **Baddow Hall Infant School Newsletter**

Dear Families.

In our assemblies, we are beginning to focus on our school values, which support the personal development of the children. We will be thinking about what each of our values mean and how we can demonstrate them throughout the school day and at home. Children often look to adults as role models, which is why it's important for us to demonstrate the values we wish to instill in them. By doing so, we can help guide them towards becoming responsible and caring members of society

#### **Our School Values**

#### Be respectful

Listen to and value the ideas of others, treat everyone fairly, be polite and well mannered, be kind and caring, include everyone and work together. Celebrate our differences.

#### Be resilient

Work hard and aim high, try our best and never give up, participate and get involved, have pride in our work, be independent, don't be afraid to make mistakes.

Learn more, encourage creativity, try new ideas, ask questions, wonder why things happen.

As the weather has become more autumnal, please ensure your child brings a coat to school, that has their name in it. Thank you.





Next week we will be collecting donations for the Chelmsford foodbank Foodbank, as part of developing the children's understanding about harvest and helping others in our community. You will have received information regarding items the foodbank require.

Donations will be accepted from Monday until Friday morning next week. The school is registered to issue foodbank vouchers, so if you need to access this support then please do speak with me directly.

Have a good weekend. Best wishes. Lesley Schlanker Headteacher

#### Reminder of Upcoming Dates

Please check the school calendar which is updated regularly.

## **School Attendance** Gates open 8.40am Register 8.45am



I am currently analysing attendance and punctuality for September.

- 68% of children have 100% attendance
- 12% of children have been late to school on at least one occasion.

I will be writing to parents next week, where punctuality or attendance is a concern.

# Reporting absence

When reporting your child absent from school either via voicemail or email please ensure that you include your child's first and last name as well as their class number. Please could you also include this when emailing the office regarding your child so any queries can be dealt with more efficiently. Thank you.

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 12th October must be booked by midnight on Tuesday 7th October 2025.

If a meal is not booked, parents must provide their child with a packed lunch.



#### **Breakfast Club**

You must prebook and pay for sessions in advance of attending. Breakfast club can be booked online via ParentPay at any time.

Childcare vouchers can be used as payment for all breakfast club sessions, please see <a href="https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/">https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/</a> for additional information on how to apply. Please ensure not to overpay us in vouchers and build up a large credit.

Please be reminded that breakfast club sessions are non-refundable.

#### **Amazon Wishlist**

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

Thank you for the items we have recently received.



#### **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 <u>HERE</u>

#### **Edulink**

Please ensure that you have accessed the Edulink app for your child. This app allows you to keep up to date with your child's attendance percentage, book parent consultation appointments and keep track of all letters that have been emailed to parents. Log in information was sent to those parents this week that had not activated their account. Please contact the office with any queries. Reminder: Parent consultation appointment bookings open on the app at 6pm Thursday 9th and will close at 8pm Wednesday 15th October. Consultations take place the following week.

#### After School Clubs for Autumn 2025.

There are still spaces on some of our after school clubs. Please contact the club provider directly to book. Information regarding clubs is available on the school website.

Football Club is open to children in reception.

#### Useful information—including holiday club information

Please click <u>HERE</u> for the useful information tab on our website for parents such as ordering name labels, advice on health for families.

#### Medication

If your child requires medicine to be administered in school, then a parental agreement to administer medication form will need to be completed and returned to the school office, with medication that is in date and in it's original packaging. We can not accept medication that is not in date. We can only administer medication in line with the prescription or the instructions for dosage on the box. E.g calpol

Forms can be accessed on the school website in advance.

Is your child due to start school in September 2026?

Visit our school website to see dates for tours.

Essex County Council applications open on 10th November 2025 and close on 15th January 2026.

These dates also apply to applications for children moving from year 2 into year 3.



Our vision is for every child to make the best possible progress.