



6th October 2023

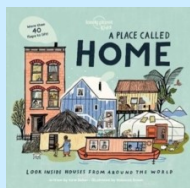


BADDOW NEWS

Baddow Hall Infant School Newsletter

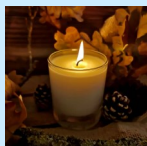
Dear Parents/Carers,

This week we have had a number of parents raising concern about how cars have been parked before and after school. Please be reminded that the single lines in Hall Close have time restrictions. Those without a blue badge should not be parking on the double yellow lines. We ask that parents put child safety first and be considerate about where you park. Thank you.



In reception this week, children have been reading 'The Three Little Pigs' and 'A Place Called Home' by Kate Baker and Rebecca Green. The children have been thinking about different types of houses from around the world and talking about the similarities and differences. As the children are out and about, help them to develop their speech and language by talking about the different homes you can see on your journeys.

In year 1, children have been using an empty number line in Maths lessons to help them with ordering numbers and to have a visual representation. This is a strategy that will support them moving towards mental calculations.



Year 2 children have been thinking about why light is an important symbol for Christians, Jews and Hindus. They have compared the similarities and differences for each religion. They have also been exploring how darkness and light makes us feel.

The Autumn disco tickets are for sale on school money for year 1 and 2. Children in reception will have an opportunity to experience the disco before school ends on Friday. Year 1 and 2 can bring some 'disco' clothes to change into at the end of day. Children should be collected from their classroom at 4.20pm.

Best Wishes,
Lesley Schlanker
Headteacher

School Attendance

School attendance this week is 97%

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

Gates close promptly at 8.45am to ensure site safety.

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.



schoolmoney

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 11th October for week commencing 16th October 2023.

Please ensure to click PAY on the app to ensure that the meals are sent through to us.

Our new menu has been sent to parents and meals can be preordered up until Christmas.

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.



Breakfast Club Reminder

Booking for next half term opens on School Money at 12noon Monday 9th October.

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.

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 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.

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 last 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. 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.



PSA Funwalk

Thank you to everyone that participated in the fun walk last Friday and to those that have paid in sponsor money for this event. Parents will be updated on how much was raised once this final figure is known.

PE and Sports Club Days

Please ensure that on the days that your child has PE or attends a sports after school club that their earrings are removed before they come into school, unless your child is able to remove their earrings themselves. We are not allowed to remove earrings or cover them with tape.

Lost Property

We have an increasing amount of unnamed lost property in our lobby or items that have gone missing. Please check that your child is bringing home their named clothing and that all items are named to make it easier for the children, and staff, to locate items at the end of each day.

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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