



# The Bardfield Buzz

## Newsletter #20 Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2017

The newsletter will be circulated to all parents every Friday. Newsletters are also held centrally at the School Office and are on the website.

### Ofsted outcome

Finally we can share the news...

#### **Great Bardfield Primary School is a GOOD school.**

I do hope that you have had an opportunity to read the report and letter that we gave to all of the children on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February. If not it is available on our website or from the school office.

I am **VERY** proud of this outcome as it represents so many things. It is not just a 'GOOD' it is a recognition of what people: children, staff, governors and parents working together and having a positive mind set can achieve. Pleasingly the report recognises the importance of our Key Skills and how much a part and parcel they are, of our school life.

By far the best line is that ***the children enjoy coming to school and that they are proud of their school.***

When I started at the school back in September 2014 I had many things that I wanted to achieve. To create and build a strong and positive team of staff and for children to have a sense of pride and respect in themselves, for each other and for their school and community were at the top of the list. I am delighted that the report highlights all of these as successes. We must all now work together to make sure that we keep up the momentum and continue on our journey to ensure our children reach their full potential.

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It was wonderful to have lots of positive feedback about receiving both a digital and a hard copy of the Newsletter this week. Parents told me that they really liked having the paper copy to stick on the fridge or pin-board and then refer to it if needed through the week.

Well done to the children for reading the newsletter this week too. We had lots of entries for our new weekly competition. Congratulations to our first winner Phoebe Loe.

### Before and After School Club

If you would like your child to attend any of the early morning sports clubs but have to set off for work before 8.00am, the Before School Club is now happy to take your child earlier, give them breakfast and then drop them to the club. Please contact Pat for more details.

We realise that parents are very busy and that often plans can change unexpectedly during the day. As you know our safeguarding procedures are robust and therefore if your plans do change please contact **both** the After School Club and the School Office so that we are clear about who is collecting your child.

**We can only release children to an adult different to a parent if we have clear permission, via a phone call or email, to do so.**

## Bring Your Pet to School

We are going to be inviting the children to bring their pet to school for the afternoon on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> April at 1.30pm. This was very successful the last time we ran it. Application forms will be coming out after half term with information about what animals can come along and what the afternoon will involve for well-behaved pets and their owners.

## School Trips

We are going to be taking the children to several sports competitions between now and the end of the term so look out for the special letters. These will take place in the school day but we must have your permission. We will bus the children to all of the events.

Additionally teachers are making plans for some other trips that will be happening before Easter. More information to follow soon.

## FOBs events

FOBs met this week and they are hard at work planning some really exciting events. There will be an **80s Disco on the 22nd April** so do please keep the date free. We will be serving burgers and refreshments at **The Garage Sale on the 6<sup>th</sup> May** and we are very excited about our **Magic Themed Fete on the 10<sup>th</sup> June**. There is also a **Family Camping Weekend planned for the 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> July**.

So lots to look forward to!

## Half Termly Coffee Morning

FOBs will be hosting our new Half Termly Coffee mornings starting next week on **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February, 9.30am-10.30am**. There will be cake and coffee/tea and biscuits and juice for the tiny folk. Our next coffee morning will be on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March.

## Class Assembly Dates

We have had to make a change to the assembly dates as Year 3/4 will be going to meet the author Francesca Simon on the 28<sup>th</sup> March. Please note the change to the dates below:

Year 2 Dragons-28th February  
Year R Unicorns-7th March  
Year 1 Pixies-14th March  
**Year 3/4 Pegasus-21st March**  
**Year 5/6 Phoenix-28th March**

Each assembly will begin at 9.30am.

## Easter SATS Revision mornings

As in previous years we will be holding two revision mornings for our Year 6 children. This year these will take place on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> April. They will begin at 9.00am and finish at 12.00noon. More details will be given to Year 6 parents as we get closer to the dates.

A reminder that SATs tests will take place this year week beginning 8<sup>th</sup> May. Please do not book any holidays during this week if you are a parent of a Year 6 child. We need full attendance for our Year 6 pupils during this week please.

## Bardfield Community Page

I have posted our Ofsted news on the Bardfield Community Facebook page as *Headteacher Great Bardfield*. I have created this Facebook account with the sole purpose of being able to post on the Community Page anything of urgency or importance. If you need to contact the school please do so in the normal way through the office or by email as it will not be possible to respond to any private messages sent to this account.

## Cinema Club KS1 and Reception

Please buy your tickets by Tuesday, for the Key Stage One and Reception Cinema Club which is happening this week on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February.

Tickets are £2.50 and include a Hot Dog and a drink. Please collect your child from Dragon class at 5.00pm.

This week we are showing:  
***The Secret Life of Pets***

## Holiday Clubs

There are still places available on Premier Sport's half-term Sports Camp and Half-term Musical Madness Camp. Both happening on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February, at the school.

The price is £15.95 for each day. You can still book online at [www.premier-education.com](http://www.premier-education.com)

## Forthcoming Dates

### Class Assemblies

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### Also

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February**

Coffee morning at 9.30am

Cinema Club KS1

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February**

Non Pupil Day

**Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February**

Parents Consultation Evenings

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March**

World Book Day (Dressing up as a book character)

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March**-Year 3/4

meet Francesca Simon

**Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March**

Non Pupil Day (Final day of term)

## Awards this week go to:

### **EXTRA SPECIAL OFSTED AWARD:**

Every child contributed to our success and receives a special award this week. Well done Team GB!

**On behalf of all of the staff I would like to wish everyone a lovely weekend.**

*Mrs Kerrell*