



# The Bardfield Buzz

## Newsletter #23 Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2018

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

### Snow Days

Once again I would like to thank all of you for bearing with us over the last three days. This weather is unprecedented, creating very tricky conditions which have given us major concerns about safety, both on the school site and driving to and from the village. We are very much hoping for everything to return to normal next week. There will be a few changes as things have had to be rearranged and these are detailed below.

### Parents Evening

Due to the adverse weather, we had to cancel the Wednesday and Thursday Parents Evening appointments this week. The plan is to transpose these to next Wednesday and Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> March.

So that we do not have to cancel clubs, the appointments on **Wednesday** will be in Pegasus and Phoenix Classrooms **but only if the weather is bad**. If Football Club can go outside they will be in the hall as normal.

On **Thursday**, appointments up to 5pm, will be definitely in Pegasus and Phoenix Classrooms and this will allow Gymnastics to still go ahead. Please enter via the library door. Then from 5pm we will switch to the hall.

Please bring your child's report with you, to your Parents Evening appointment, as it will form the basis of the discussion with your child's teacher. Appointments are 10 minutes long and we would ask that if you do need to discuss something in more depth that you make a separate appointment. We ask that children do not attend this meeting please.

### Clubs

Before and after school sports and teachers clubs will take place as normal next week, **with the exception of Cookery**. Unfortunately, I have had to reschedule a meeting and will not be able to take the club. However, I will offer a replacement date of **Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March** to make up for the missed session next week.

### World Book Day

This also had to be cancelled this week because of the snow. We will now be having World Book Day this Monday 5<sup>th</sup> March, so that everyone can still come to school in their costume.

It is likely to be cold so do please make sure that your child is wearing a warm coat and trousers or tights so that they don't get cold when they go outside at Break and Lunch.

## NSPCC

The sessions that were delivered by the NSPCC were really useful for the children and I know that they learnt a lot from them. Following on from the sessions Dragon and Phoenix classes have been making posters which we will be putting up around the school

## Cake Sale in aid of the NSPCC

We planned to have a cake sale today but of course it has also had to be cancelled. We would like to reschedule this now for next Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March. Please send in any cake donations on Thursday am/pm or Friday am. It would also be very helpful to have some volunteers to man the stall please.

## Spring Fling

This was a huge success last Friday. Thank you to everyone who came along and supported the discos. As always huge thanks to our wonderful FOBS team for organising and running the event and for giving up their time on a Friday evening.

We had a new company, **A Very Big Hugg Children's Parties**, to DJ the disco and the children all voted unanimously that they were superb. So we have booked them for the end of year disco already!

## Water Bottles

It is really important that the children have access to fresh water every day, throughout the day. Please make sure that you child has a named fresh bottle of water sent in so that they have something to drink.

## FOBS

In place of the Pamper Day we have decided to organise a Family Quiz Night. This will be at 6-9pm on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> March.

The cost will be £15 per family (2 adults and 3 children) or £5.00 per adult/ £2.50 per child. The cost will include a sausage and mash supper with dessert. There will also be a bar. It is sure to be a really fun evening.

If you would like to come along please purchase your tickets after half term from a member of the FOBS team and tables of up to 10 people should be booked with Julie Goldsworthy at: [juworthy@aol.com](mailto:juworthy@aol.com)

If you would like to hear more about the events that FOBS are organising or would like to help in any way do please come along to our next meeting which will be at 7pm on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March. Alternatively, do let one of the FOBS team know if you can help at any event. FOBS now have a dedicated page on our website where you can find out more and how to contact the team.

## Trips

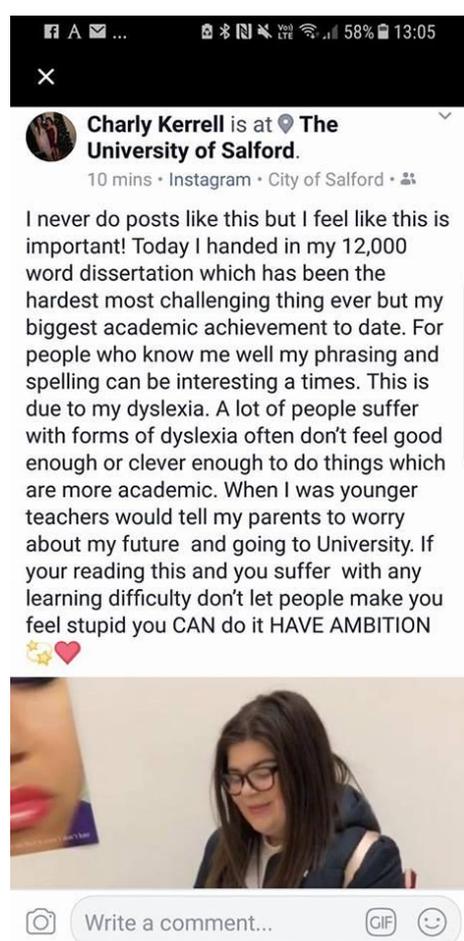
Just a reminder we have sent home information about the two trips that we will be going on before the end of the Spring Term. On **Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March** we will be taking Unicorns and KS1 children to Hatfield Forest and then on **Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March** we will take KS2 children to The Tower of London. If you have not received a trip letter please contact the school office for more information.

## Fire Drills

We may practise an evacuation at the start of the day and potentially parents may still be on the premises or on the playground. If you do hear the fire bell at any point we would ask that you make your way out of the front gate, if you are at the front of the school. Or if you are at the rear of the school, please stand off the playground (next to the little shed by the field) whilst we complete our fire drill.

## Determination and Resilience

On a personal note, I hope that you won't mind me sharing this with you. As you may know I am mum to Charlotte (21) and Connor (18). Charlotte is in her final year at The University of Salford and she wrote this post today:



Just like many of you I have worried so much about how she would get on and achieve in life because of her dyslexia and dyscalculia. **Charlotte did not pass any of her SATs.**

As long as children believe in themselves and know that we believe in them, they can achieve their full potential. It takes hard work, determination and resilience but it can be done. I hope that this is a little bit of reassurance and inspiration for you today. I am a very proud mummy!

## Forthcoming Dates

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March**  
Cookery is cancelled  
**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March**  
Parents evening  
**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> March**  
Parents evening  
**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March**  
Year 1 and 2 to Dance Festival and to show their dance in Assembly.  
**Unicorns will also now show**  
**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March**  
Year 5 to Careers Fair  
Reading Gladiators 3.15-4.00pm  
**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> March**  
SATs Meeting Year 6 at 6pm  
**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March**  
Pegasus to show in Assembly  
**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> March**  
Cookery 3.15-4.30pm  
**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March**  
KS1 and EYFS to Hatfield Forest  
**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March**  
Phoenix to show in assembly  
**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> March**  
Family Quiz Night 6-9pm  
**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March**  
Cookery Club (in place of 6<sup>th</sup> March) 3.15-4.30pm  
**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March**  
KS2 visit to The Tower of London  
No Teachers Clubs  
**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March**  
Last day of the Spring Term  
Easter Assembly

On behalf of all of the staff, I would like to wish everyone a safe and warm weekend. **We look forward to seeing you all on Monday.**

*Mrs Kerrell*