

Bardfield Buzz

Newsletter No 05- Friday 23rd October 2015

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

Smilebox Assembly

It was lovely to welcome George Mills to a special assembly this week. Thank you to all the parents who took time to put together a special box which will mean so much to children and families so far away in The Ukraine.

It is difficult to comprehend the joy and appreciation that these families will feel, over the everyday things that we so easily take for granted. The children carried their boxes with so much pride and enthusiasm and George was so delighted with all of the efforts the children had made. It was a very humbling experience.

Poppy Appeal

We have once again been given a box of goodies to sell by the Royal British Legion. Last year we raised an incredible £143.00. The best school in the local area! We are suggesting a minimum donation of £1.00 for rulers and bracelets and 50p for smaller items. Pop along to the office **after** school to make any purchases.

Choir

After Half Term Mrs Kerrell will be relaunching the school choir. It is very important that we create a choir that can represent our school at various events. The first event we will be performing at is on Sunday 29th November at 4.00pm in the church. We will sing as part of a concert delivered by The Anglia Singers.

The new time for Choir will be on Mondays from 3.15pm to 4.00pm. This

will take place in the hall. If Mrs Kerrell is at a meeting then Choir may need to be cancelled. Choir is open to all children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6. If you have an excellent voice and/ or lots of enthusiasm then do please come along-we need you!

Cake Sales

Well done Phoenix class, last week you raised £39 at your cake sale. The next class sale will be Pegasus Class. If parents could organise this we would be very grateful.

For upcoming sales the order will be:
Friday 6th November Pegasus Class
Friday 13th November Griffin Class
Friday 20th November Dragon Class
Friday 27th November Unicorn Class.

Race Night

This was a phenomenal success and so much fun! Sincere thanks to Clare Ditchman and Megan Burgess for all of their hard work to organise this event. The event raised an amazing £564! If we had even more support we could raise even more!

Halloween Disco

The children also enjoyed their Halloween Discos this week and looked incredibly scary! Again thank you to FOBS for organising this event. Well done to a certain young man in Year 5 whose outfit may have won him a Headteacher's award! Watch this space.

Parents Evenings

Parents Evening times have now been allocated. Please remember that it is important to attend the meeting with your child. You will have an opportunity to look at your child's Literacy and Mathematics work in the hall. We will be sharing with you how well your child is getting on with the New Curriculum.

Muddy shoes

Now that the weather has changed we are trying to keep the amount of mud that the children are bringing in on their shoes to a minimum.

We do want to use the field for PE so therefore the PE shoes can become rather caked in mud. Please provide your child with a sturdy, named, plastic carrier bag to keep their muddy shoes in. This can then go on their peg and this will hopefully stop trainers from going missing.

Peer Review

This week Mrs Kerrell attended a meeting about working together with some other schools in our local area to improve the provision at Great Bardfield. We are looking forward to working collaboratively with other schools as part of a new initiative where schools will actively work together, to suggest improvements to each other and therefore improve standards.

Cauliflower Cards

The children have been working hard on these this week. We hope to have all class' cards sent out by Monday 2nd November. Please return your order no later than Wednesday 4th November with payment as either cash or a cheque made payable to:
Great Bardfield School PTA

DB Primary

This has taken the school by storm! It has had such a positive response from the children who have been sending everything from paintings to poetry! Pegasus class will be the Guinea Pigs this week and have their homework set on it. Look out for an email from Mrs Kerrell Pegasus People!

Staffing

We bid a sad farewell to Mrs Travell on Thursday this week. She is off to pursue a new career in journalism and we wish her lots of luck in the future.

We will be joined full time by Mrs Leach after half term. She will be working with us as a Learning Support Assistant in Dragon Class. We welcome her to the school

Vacancy

We have a vacancy for a Midday assistant to support the children at lunchtimes. This would be an ideal job for anyone who is looking to have a job that fits in with school hours. If you are interested then do please ask for more details from the school office.

On behalf of myself and all the staff at Great Bardfield Primary School we would like to wish you all a lovely Half Term holiday.

Mrs Kerrell