



The Bardfield Buzz

Newsletter #22 Friday 12th March 2021

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

First week back

We had a wonderful week! It was fantastic to hear the school buzzing with the children's voices and see all their little faces full of excitement and enthusiasm.

The children mostly seemed very pleased to be back in their routines and in their classrooms and we have been very pleased with how well they all slotted back in to school life. Many expressed relief, that they no-longer had to be distracted by pets, share devices/ Wi-Fi with their siblings and one child said how glad they were to be back with access to stationery!

Some children have struggled with the length of the day and the lack of many snacks/ unlimited fridge access. Lots of children said they missed their mums and dads and have had a few tears.

We are so pleased to have everyone back and hope that this is now a step along the path to getting back to normal.

Thank you for your continued support with following the Government rules for Covid and for doing what you can to support us with keeping everyone Covid safe.

RED NOSE DAY

On Friday 19th March we will have a non-uniform day (no theme) in aid of Comic Relief. We would be grateful if everyone could donate £1.00.

Data Collection

We have sent out a form this week to collect information about your child. We want to update our records so do please complete this form and get it back to us.

If your child has had any change to their circumstances or you have changed your contact details, please update these on the form.

Whilst dealing with Covid, we ask that parents are contactable at all times during the school day. If we have to leave a message, please return our call as soon as possible.

Extra-Curricular Clubs

If your child is attending one of the free Premier Sport clubs they **must** be booked on. Please follow the link below to register your child:
<https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/6689/?location=cm7>

AM Clubs run from 8.00am to 8.45am
PM Clubs run from 3.15pm to 4.15pm

Please bring your child to or collect your child from the front gate before or after their club.

Next term, we will continue with the sports clubs on the same days but we will offer the bubbles a different choice of club. This will also include Unicorns. More information to follow in next week's Newsletter.

School Uniform

It may be proving difficult to get hold of new uniform for your child with the shops still being shut. It is definitely worth checking out the stock of high quality second hand uniform that our PTA has, for very cheap prices.

The older children's pieces have mainly gone now but there are lots of items for Reception and KS1. Please email for more information:

FOBSuseduniform@gmail.com

Support with mental health and emotional wellbeing

There is some help available to families to support children who may be experiencing anxiety about the return to school. This can be accessed through the [Essex Wellbeing Service](#)

They will be providing navigators to help parents and carers to find the right support for pupil's (and their family's) emotional wellbeing and mental health needs on the return to school.

[Essex Wellbeing Service](#)

navigators, can be contacted by phoning: 0300 303 9988 from the 8th March.

There are also some useful webinars available which you may find useful for advice and support:

Part 1: [Looking after yourself](#) (28mins)

Part 2: [Looking after your family](#) (39mins)

Essex Local Offer: [Coronavirus support wellbeing and mental health](#)

Essex Living Fund

The Essential Living Fund is available for families who need emergency help with heating, water, food, bills and other essential household items.

Families can call 0300 7900 124 (8:45-5:00pm). www.southend.gov.uk/ELFforessex

Unicorn Assembly

What a treat we had this morning! Our Unicorns presented a special assembly for their lovely mummies via Zoom.

The mummies were treated to some beautiful singing and we were all very proud of the wonderful portraits that the children painted of their mum!

Well done to you all!

Awards

It was fantastic to be able to pop quickly around the classes today and give out some awards:

Golden Awards:

Samuel, Abigail B, Aliza, Rafe, Lola Tobyn, Jasmine P, Theo M. Vinnie. Lotti and all of Pegasus.

Presentation Awards:

Theo Mc, Isabelle Ws, Daniel, Dylan M And Olivia

Bookworm Awards:

Joey, Neive, Phoebe C, Annie V and Seb

Headteacher Award:

Oliver, Pippa and Neive.

On behalf of all of the staff we would like to wish everyone a good weekend.

Mrs Kerrell