



The Bardfield Buzz

Newsletter #5 Monday 9th October 2023

Last week in assembly, we celebrated with our usual certificates for our five key skills along with congratulations and prizes for the winners and runners up of the 'Bardfield Bake Off'.

Bake Off Winners

1st Cassie, Isabella and Jack
2nd Emily
3rd Kian

Runners-Up

Joshua, Aliza, Dahlia & Kizzy, Sam Y, Olivia, Katie, Charlie & Poppy, Luca & Sofie, Theo (Y4), Lily, Phoebe, Jacob

A big thank you and well done to everybody who entered the competition – we certainly have some talented bakers within our school community!

Attendance

Good attendance is of the highest priority for our school and at a Local and National level. Our Attendance Policy states: ***'It is a rule of this school that pupils must attend every day, unless there are exceptional circumstances.'*** If you intend to take your child out of school for any reason you are required to complete an absence request form. These can be collected at the office. I am unable to authorise any holidays taken in term time and these are likely to incur a fine from the Local Authority.

I would also like to remind parents of the procedure for reporting absence: you must telephone the office before

9am on each day of absence (Press 1) or alternatively, speak to a member of the office staff. **Emails or messages via other children or parents will not be accepted as a means of reporting an absence and it will be recorded as unauthorised.** For more detailed information about expectations, actions and fines, please read our Attendance Policy which is attached to this email.

Open Mornings

If your child is due to start school in September 2024, we invite you to come along to our open morning next Saturday, 14th October, between 10am and 12pm. Please share this information with any of your friends and family who have children approaching school age. There is no need to book – just join us for a tour and to find out about more about our fantastic school.

Uniform

I wrote to you last week about my concerns that children were not following our uniform policy. Following the school rules regarding uniform ensures that our children look smart and are proud to belong to Great Bardfield Primary School.

Going forwards, if your child is not following our uniform policy in some way, you will receive a text asking you to rectify this as soon as possible. I understand that school shoes get left out in the rain or break and that

jumpers get lost but please inform us if this is the case.

Our PTA have many items of school uniform in excellent condition available for just a couple of pounds so please do use this facility – it will save money, is eco-friendly and also fundraises for the school.

Halloween Disco

On Friday 20th October, the PTA will be hosting our Halloween Disco. This is a popular fundraising event which the children really enjoy. Please see the attached flyer for more details.

Family Fireworks

I am pleased to announce that on Saturday 4th November the Great Bardfield Firework Display will return. It will be held at the playing fields and a share of any profit made will go to our PTA. Please come along and support this event – tickets booked before 1st November are discounted. Please see the attached flyer for more information about times and prices.

On behalf of all of the staff I would like to wish everyone a good week.

Mrs Crow

Important Dates for your diary

October

Friday 13th October

Great Fire of London Workshop KS1

Saturday 14th October

Open Morning 10am-12pm

Tuesday 17th October

School Individual Photos

Thursday 19th October

Harvest Festival 9.00am

Friday 20th October

Celebration Assembly

Pyjama Day in aid of Lullaby Trust

PTA Halloween Disco

November

Friday 3rd November

Celebration Assembly 9am

Saturday 4th November

Family Fireworks

Friday 10th November

Celebration Assembly 9am

IOW Fundraiser Y6 Cake Sale

w/b 13th November

Learning Reviews

Friday 17th November

Celebration Assembly 9am

Children in Need Spotacular

Friday 24th November

INSET Day

December

Friday 1st December

Celebration Assembly 9am

Trip to the Pantomime

Tuesday 5th December

Nativity Performance 1.30pm

Thursday 7th December

Nativity Performance 9.30am

Friday 8th December

Christmas Jumper Day & Bring a bottle

PTA Christmas Event

Tuesday 12th December

Christmas Lunch

Thursday 14th December

KS2 Carol Concert TBC

Friday 15th December

Christmas Film Club

Monday 18th December

Shop 'til You Drop

Wednesday 20th December

Last day of term (no early finish)