



The Bardfield Buzz

Newsletter #11 Monday 27th November 2023

As we lead into December there will be lots of important organisational information contained in the newsletters. We would appreciate you reading them carefully so that our already busy staff are not overloaded with chasing permissions, costumes, money, etc. as Christmas draws near.

A personal thank you for all of your kind wishes which have been passed on to me. I am recovering well from a back injury and will be back in school as soon as possible. Any of you who know me will understand how frustrated I am at the situation but I am confident that our school is in very safe hands with Miss White as acting Headteacher.

Phonics and Early Reading

Reception parents are invited to an information session on Tuesday 28th November at 2.30pm. You can learn about how we teach phonics and have a look at some of the resources we use. You can also find out about how to support your child with reading at home. Please let the office know if you would like to attend.

Nativity

Garwood and Bawden classes are busy preparing for their Nativity next week. Performances will be on **Tuesday 5th December at 1.30pm for a 2pm start** and **Thursday 7th December at 9.30am for a 9.45pm start.**

Two tickets will be allocated per family, irrespective of how many children you have in EYFS/KS1. You may request

additional tickets but these are not guaranteed. **Please select your tickets via our online system before the end of today.** Tickets will be sent home with the children this week.

Pantomime

On Friday afternoon, the children and staff will be walking up to the Town Hall to watch the pantomime 'Peter Pan'. Parents are not asked to make a financial contribution towards this event as it is organised by our PTA. There is also no need to give permission for this as it is covered by the 'Local Education Visits Consent' all parents complete when your child begins school.

This year our PTA are selling a 'goody bag' which includes sweets and a drink. Please send in **£2 before Wednesday** if you would like your child to have one of these. This will include a drink option of Blackcurrant/Orange fruit shoots or bottled water and a mixture of Pick N Mix sweets. They will be given out at the Town Hall on Friday. As the PTA are fully funding the trip we would appreciate your support.

PTA News

The PTA will be selling Christmas raffle tickets at some special upcoming events at The Blue Egg. All proceeds from these will go to the school and benefit your children directly.

They will be selling tickets on **Tuesday 28th November** and **Wednesday 6th December** where they will be at The Blue Egg's 'Prosecco, Nibbles and Late Night Shopping' event. Do pop along to one of the events and support our PTA whilst getting into the Christmas spirit.

In other news, for every Christmas tree sold, The Blue Egg will be making a donation to the wonderful charity, Kids Inspire. This is a fantastic charity and one which many children from our school have accessed over the years.

Admissions

If you have a child who is due to start school in September, you must apply for their place before 15th January 2024. You can do this by following the link below.

<https://www.essex.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/admissions/primary-school-places>

Y6 SATs

We will be running a SATs revision day on Tuesday 2nd April 2024. We would very much like all Year 6 children to attend as far as possible so please save the date.

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

Mrs Crow

Important Dates for your diary

December

Friday 1st December

Celebration Assembly 9am **cancelled**

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 3.30pm-6pm

Tuesday 12th December

Christmas Lunch

Thursday 14th December

KS2 Carol Concert

Friday 15th December

Christmas Film Club 3.15pm-5pm

Monday 18th December

Shop 'til You Drop

Wednesday 20th December

Last day of term (no early finish)

January

Thursday 4th January

Return to school