



# The Bardfield Buzz

Newsletter #17 Monday 22nd January 2024

I am pleased to share that the term has started well and the children are back into the swing of learning after Christmas. The Spring Term is always a productive term for learning and we will be sharing mid-year reports which show the current progress and attainment for your child after half term. The threat of snow seems to have passed for now but rest assured, we will be keeping a very close eye on the weather forecasts over the coming weeks.

## Multi-skills Event

This Friday, our **Year 3 and Year 4** children will be taking part in a Multi-Skills Festival at Felsted Independent School. This will be an opportunity to take part in some fun, physical activities with other local schools. We will leave Great Bardfield at 12.45pm and leave Felsted at 2.45pm. We should return to school before 3.15pm but we may be back at school slightly later than usual, depending on the journey time.

The children will need to wear their full PE kit with logoed t-shirt to school on Friday. **Please ensure your child looks clean and smart and their kit adheres to the school uniform policy as they will be representing our school.**

Please give permission by Thursday using our online system.

## School Lunches

From next week, we will be inviting parents into school to share a school lunch with their child. Seating capacity in the hall dictates that we will be able to invite six parents to come and have lunch each **Tuesday**. This term, bookings are open to parents with children in **Garwood and Bawden Class** only. Please only book one session to allow everybody to have an opportunity. In the Summer Term, KS2 parents will be able to come for lunch.

To book, please speak to Hollie in the office who will put your name down (please do not email). The cost will be £3 per adult and is payable in cash when booking. Please sign in at the office at 11.50am on the day you are coming in for lunch.

**You will be required to adhere to our strict safeguarding procedures whilst in school and we will provide you with a leaflet on arrival to explain these.**

## Measles

Please see attached a letter from Essex County Council regarding an increase in cases of measles in England.

## Place2Be

The children at our school continue to benefit from the services provided by our wonderful Place2Be practitioner,

## *Be Ready-Be Kind-Be Safe*

Suzanne. Parents and carers can also access support through the P2B website and 'Parenting Smart'. Follow the link to find free online courses, tools, tips and answers to questions on a range of topics such as bedwetting, boundaries, anger, mealtimes and many, many more of the issues we have to tackle as parents.

<https://parentingsmart.place2be.org.uk/>

### **Extra-Curricular Clubs**

Our **Spring Term** Sports clubs are for children in Years 1 to 6. The clubs before school are free. There is a cost to parents for the after school clubs.

This term they will run as follows:

#### **Before School Football **KS1 only****

Monday 8.00am-8.45 am Y1 & Y2

#### **Afterschool Football **KS2 only****

Monday 3:15pm-4:15pm Y3-Y6

#### **Before School Fencing**

Wednesday 8.00am-8.45am Y1-Y6

#### **Afterschool Gymnastics**

Wednesday 3:15pm-4:15pm Y1-Y6

#### **Afterschool Archery**

Thursday 3:15pm-4:15pm Y1Y-6

Please sign up for all sports clubs on the Premier Education website or use the link below.

<https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/6689>

### **After School Club**

ASC are now taking bookings. If you would like to book you can telephone Pat Moore on 01371 811580 or 07767 413055

### **Y6 SATs**

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

*On behalf of all the staff, we hope you all have a great week.*

*Mrs Crow*

### **Important Dates for your Diary**

#### **January**

##### **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January**

Celebration Assembly 9am

Year 3/4 Multi-Skills Event

#### **February**

##### **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February**

NSPCC Number Day

Celebration Assembly 9am

##### **Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February**

Film Club

##### **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February**

**INSET Day**

##### **Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February**

New Summer Lunch Menu

#### **March**

##### **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March**

Celebration Assembly 9am

##### **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March**

**INSET DAY**

##### **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March**

Celebration Assembly 9am

Mid-Year Reports

##### **W/B Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March**

Learning Reviews

##### **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March**

Comic Relief

##### **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March**

Film Club

##### **Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March**

Last Day of Term

#### **Holiday Dates**

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February - Friday 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**February**

**Half Term**

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April**

**Easter Holiday**