



The Bardfield Buzz

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Thank you to parents in Garwood Class and Bawden Class for providing mugs and flowers for the Horticultural Show entries last Friday. The flower arrangements looked beautiful on display at the show on Saturday and the children had a great time making them. We will announce the winners in one of our Celebration Assemblies after Easter. Well done everybody!

At the end of this newsletter I have added some new dates for next half term. There will be more to add as we go along but hopefully these will be useful for you.

Attendance

Congratulations to **Aldridge Class** who won Archie the Attendance Bear last week. This special award goes to the class with the highest attendance each week. Well done Aldridge! Thank you to all of our parents who support their children and our school in achieving excellent attendance and punctuality.

PE and Sports Provision

I am delighted to share that after Easter we will be moving to a different provider for our PE and Sports Clubs. **Prestige Sports** will be delivering PE sessions in school on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays and also the majority of our before and after school sports clubs. Please see the attached letter from Matt Crawley from

Prestige Sports which contains details of how to book clubs and prices.

I am also very pleased to let you know that Mr Cragg will be running a KS2 Football Academy on Mondays from 3.15pm - 4.15pm. Great Bardfield Primary School is not quite ready to let him go and fortunately, the feeling is mutual! The academy will run for a block of ten sessions from 15th April to 1st July (no session on 6th May). These sessions are run independently by Mr Cragg and can be booked by emailing hqcoachingessex@gmail.com. The cost will be £60 for the ten sessions. If you are successful in gaining a place, you will be contacted by email with more information and details of how to pay.

SATs Revision Day

A reminder for Year 6 parents that SATs revision day will run from 9am prompt until 1pm on Tuesday 2nd April. We would like all Year 6 children to attend. All snacks and drinks will be provided but please bring in a water bottle.

Tutoring

Teachers will be running the next block of after school tutoring next term. Sessions will run on Mondays from 15th April 15th to May 13th. Children will be invited to join a tutoring group via email later this week.

Be Ready-Be Kind-Be Safe

Book Fair and Competition

During the week following the Easter break, we will be visited by the Travelling Book Fair. There will be lots of books for all ages to choose from and the children will be given the opportunity to browse the books on offer during school time. Parents will be able to purchase or order books after school. This is not only a great way to inspire children to read but it also helps us to buy some books for the school as we earn commission on any sales.

We have five prizes of £5 to be spent at the book fair. All children have to do is write a book review of a book they have read recently. There are lots of templates and ideas online and I also attached some to the newsletter last week if they wish to use one of these. They can include pictures if they wish. The book review can be handwritten or typed but the presentation and spelling must be their best. The entries will be judged on Tuesday 16th April so please hand any entries into the office before this date. Good Luck!

Dogs in School

In recent months, a number of parents have brought dogs onto the school site. A reminder that we do not allow any dogs to be brought onto the school site without permission of the Headteacher as stated in our 'Wellbeing Dogs in School Policy' which can be found on our website.

School Lunches

We have really enjoyed welcoming Reception and KS1 parents to join their children for lunch this term. KS2 parents (Aldridge, Rowntree and Ravilious) can now book lunch for Tuesdays in the first half of the Summer Term. When booking, please ensure that you can make the date you

select as there are only six spaces every Tuesday and last minute cancellations mean that spaces are left empty. If you would like to come for lunch, please book with Hollie in the office. The cost is £3, to be paid at the time of booking.

Pre-school Easter Egg Hunt

On Sunday 31st March Great Bardfield Pre-School are hosting an Easter Egg Hunt around the village. If your family would like to take part, it starts at the Co-op between 10am and 12pm. Let's hope the sun shines!

Finally, on behalf of all the staff, we hope you all have a lovely Easter break with your families. We are looking forward to seeing you back at school on Monday 15th April.

Mrs Crow

Important Dates for your Diary

March

Thursday 28th March

Last Day of Term

April

Tuesday 2nd April

SATs Revision Day

Monday 15th April

Summer Term Starts

Friday 19th April

Celebration Assembly

Friday 26th April

Celebration Assembly

Thursday 25th April

KS1 African Workshop

May

Friday 3rd May

Celebration Assembly

Monday 6th May

May Day

Friday 10th May

Be Ready-Be Kind-Be Safe

Celebration Assembly

Friday 17th May

Celebration Assembly

Monday 20th May

Sports Day 1

Tuesday 21st May

Sports Day 2 (Parents welcome)

Thursday 23rd May

Summer Themed Film Club

Friday 24th May

Alzheimer's Charity Event -

'Wacky Hair' Day

Monday 27th May – Friday 31st May

Half Term Week