



The Bardfield Buzz

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Thank you to those of you who managed to visit the book fair last week. Not only will your children have lovely new books to read, but by purchasing these books, we will have earned commission to spend on some new books. We intend to use this to top up our 'book trolley' which has become a firm favourite with the children at break time and lunch time.

As part of their topic on Africa, Garwood and Bawden Class had the opportunity to take part in some drumming sessions last week. They really enjoyed themselves and we were thrilled to be joined by so many parents to watch them showcase some of their new skills at the end of the day.



Attendance

Congratulations to Bawden Class who won Archie the Attendance Bear last week. This special award goes to the class with the highest attendance each week. Well done Bawden! Thank you to all of our parents who support their

children and our school in achieving excellent attendance.

Funding Crisis

It will not be new news to you all that the chronic underfunding of our education system continues to compromise school budgets across the country. Unfortunately, small schools like ours tend to struggle disproportionately as we have fewer pupils to generate funding. Our wonderful PTA continue to work extremely hard behind the scenes to raise funds for your children and Bardfield Charities continue to be very generous in helping us with specific projects.

We recently received feedback from some parents who simply cannot commit to helping at PTA events but would still like to help us by sourcing some of the everyday items we need for the children such as pencils, glue sticks, paper, art supplies and books.

With this in mind, we have set up a wish list on Amazon. This list will remain open and be updated every few weeks. If this is something you would like to contribute to now or in the future, please follow the link below. We are very grateful for all contributions, however small.

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/3JOOC9P4O1DC7?ref=wl_share

Be Ready-Be Kind-Be Safe

Sports Clubs

Prestige Sports clubs are now underway. There are a few spaces left and if your child is in receipt of free school meals (Pupil Premium) and they would like to take part in funded sessions of either Gymnastics (KS1) on Wednesdays or Racket Sports (KS2) on Thursdays, please pop in and see me or drop me an email.

School Lunches

This half term, KS2 parents (Aldridge, Rowntree and Ravilious) can book to come and enjoy a school lunch on 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.

Sports Days

As mentioned in last week's newsletter, this year we will be inviting parents to Sports Day on Tuesday 21st May. I have attached further information to this newsletter again this week. Please read this carefully.

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

Mrs Crow

Important Dates for your Diary

May

Friday 3rd May

Celebration Assembly

Monday 6th May

May Day

Friday 10th May

Celebration Assembly

W/B 13th May

Y6 SATs Week

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

'Alvin & The Chipmunks'

Friday 24th May

Alzheimer's Charity Event -

'Wacky Hair' Day