



The Bardfield Buzz

Newsletter #27 Monday 31st March 2025

I can hardly believe that we have reached the end of the Spring Term! It feels as if it was only last week when we were welcoming everybody back after the Christmas break and celebrating the New Year. The children and staff have worked immensely hard this term and we are all looking forward to a well-earned break over Easter.

Attendance

This week, our whole school attendance was a fantastic 97.4%. Congratulations to Garwood Class who achieved the 'Archie Bear attendance award' **again** this week. Well done to them and thank you to all parents who are supporting us with achieving good attendance.

USSP Archery

A huge well done to our Year 3/4 Archery team who represented the school at the USSP finals this week. Dolly, Theo, Billy and Poppy achieved a fantastic 2nd Place amongst fifteen other much larger schools. We are so VERY proud of you. Thank you to Sofie for providing transport and coaching for the team.

BASC

Hopefully you will have all read the information sent out over the weekend and it has set your minds at rest with regard to wraparound care. I would like to publicly thank Pat, Mary and the team for the care and support they have given to our children and families over the years. You have been an

invaluable part of our school community for so long and it will seem very strange not to see you collecting and dropping off our children before and after school. I wish you all the very best for the future and remind you that you will always be given the warmest welcome here at Great Bardfield.

Safety

Please ensure your children are supervised at all times before and after school whilst waiting to drop off and collect. Children should not be playing around the containers at the back of school, using the climbing equipment or scooting within the school grounds. Thank you for your support with this.

Sports Clubs

Our Summer Term Sports Clubs for next term are now available to book. There is no cost for before school clubs and each after school club costs £5. Please see attached flyer for more details.

PTA Break the Rules Day

On Tuesday 1st April, children are invited to take part in Break the Rules Day! On this fun-filled day, they can choose which rules to break and pay a 50p 'fine' per rule. They can break as many—or as few—rules as they like! Please see the attached flyer for more details. We hope as many children as possible will join in the fun!

Note: Normal school uniform must be worn on this day (with the exception of any rules broken).

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MANGO Afternoon Tea

A big thank you to all who attended one of the MANGO afternoon teas last week. This was not intended as a fundraiser but as an opportunity to do something nice for the ladies in our lives. Due to some kind donations, the PTA raised over £60. I hope you all had a very lovely Mother's Day on Sunday and you enjoyed the plants your children planted and decorated for you.

Great Bardfield Tea Towel Project

Our PTA have produced a fantastic tea towel (with the help of every child in the school). These are available to purchase at an **early bird special of £5** until the Easter break (will be £6 after Easter). Please scan the QR code below or speak to Olivia if you wish to purchase one. They make great gifts or just to keep as a memory of our school.



Annual Easter Sponsored Event

This week, your child will bring home a sponsorship form. Garwood and Bawden will be asked to complete a 'Scavenger Hunt' and KS2 children will be asked to complete a sponsored event of their choice. Last year we had some fantastic entries which included the longest daisy chain and the most bounces on a trampoline. Please support your child to complete these activities. This event raised a huge sum of money for our school and we hope to achieve this again this year.

Year 6 Tuck Shop

Well done to our Y6 and parents who have organised and run the Tuck Shop on Friday afternoons. I am pleased to announce that the total raised was £600 which will go directly towards funding the Year 6 Residential to Norfolk. Thank you everyone who has supported this event.

PTA Uniform Shop

A reminder that there are lots of good quality items of uniform available from the PTA second hand uniform shop. All items with a logo are £2, all without a logo are £1. They have lots of summer dresses and shorts if anyone is wanting be 'summer ready'. Orders can be taken via PTA email address: gbfobs@outlook.com

I hope everyone has an enjoyable Easter break with lots of family, fun and chocolate.

Mrs Crow

Secret code word: **Easter Bunny**

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Important Dates for your diary

April

Tuesday 1st April

Break the Rules Day

Easter Break

Monday 7th April – Monday 21st April

Tuesday 22nd April

Return to School

Thursday 24th April

KS1 Boydells Farm Visit

Friday 25th April

Celebration Assembly

Stay and Share 9.30am

Monday 28th April

Book Fair 3pm-4pm

Tuesday 29th April

Prestige World Cup

Book Fair 3pm-4pm

May

Thursday 1st May

Class Photos

Monday 5th May

May Day

wb Monday 12th May

SATs Week

Saturday 17th May

Garage Sale

Thursday 22nd May

Sports Day 1

Friday 23rd May

Sports Day 2 (Parents)

Half – Term

Monday 26th May – Friday 30th May

wb June 2nd

Y6 Residential

Swimming Lessons Begin

Friday 6th June

Celebration Assembly

Friday 13th June

Celebration Assembly

Stay and Share

Thursday 19th June

Y5 Careers Event

Friday 20th June

INSET Day

Friday 27th June

Celebration Assembly

PTA Colour Run

July

Friday 4th July

Celebration Assembly

Tuesday 8th July

KS2 Performance (1)

Thursday 10th July

KS2 Performance (2)

Monday 14th July

Frinton Trip

Wednesday 16th July

Proms in the Playground 3.30pm

Friday 18th July

Celebration Assembly

Open Classroom 9.30am

Saturday 19th July

Bardfest

Monday 21st July

Y6 Pool Party 3.30pm

Tuesday 22nd July

Leavers Assembly 2pm