



# The Bardfield Buzz

Newsletter #29 Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2025

Our first week back was incredibly busy, and as Headteacher, nothing brings me more joy than seeing our school filled with happy, engaged children whilst visiting the classrooms last week.

I would also like to say a huge thank you to the children, staff, Governors, and parents who made my special birthday so wonderful. I was genuinely and completely surprised by all the thoughtful ways we celebrated on Tuesday. Thank you so much to everyone — it truly meant the world to me.

## Attendance

Our attendance last week was a magnificent 97.6%. I was so pleased to award Archie the Attendance Bear to Aldridge Class this week – well done to you all. I know you were delighted by the huge cheer in Celebration Assembly on Friday. Thank also to parents who continue to support us with achieving good attendance.

## Book Fair

Our travelling book fair will be at school from 3.00pm to 3.45pm this week on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Your children will have an opportunity to browse the books this week. Please come along and have a look – there are often great deals and the school earns commission on any books purchased.

## Class Photos

On Thursday, our photographer will be in school to take class photos. Please ensure your child wears a school **cardigan or sweatshirt with a logo** on this day. This is the only item of logoed uniform we ask them to wear so please support us with this. Please also ensure your child is, as always, following our uniform policy so that we all look smart for our photos.

## Wraparound Care

Bookings are now open on ParentMail for the next few weeks at The Hive. Please remember, there is no requirement to 'join' The Hive and bookings for before or after school care can be made at any time up to 2pm the previous day. If you require 'last minute' wraparound care, please telephone the school office and we will be able to book you in if there is space. I would like to apologise for the confusion over the cost of sessions and whether they include food. All prices are now correct and include breakfast/snacks and a light tea.

As we are trying to keep our staffing costs down in order to provide this wraparound care at a low cost to parents can we ask that, going forwards, **children are only collected at the session finish times (4.15pm, 5.15pm and 6pm)**. If you require a different collection time for a particular session, please arrange this by calling the office during the school day who will ensure this message is given to

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The Hive. Thank you for your support with this.

**Reminder:** If your child is attending a Prestige sports club on a Monday or Wednesday morning, please ensure they arrive at 8am promptly. The coach will meet the children at 8am on the front playground and then bring them into school through the front entrance. The side gate will remain locked until 8.40am to comply with our safeguarding procedures.

### Sports Clubs

Our Summer Term Sports Clubs for next term are now available to book. Please book Mr Cragg's football academy directly with him. There is no cost for before school clubs and each Prestige after school club costs £5. Please follow the link below to book <https://www.prestigesportsdevelopment.com/make-a-booking>

**Please note that for the remainder of the academic year, Prestige will be running a sports club on Fridays (instead of Thursdays) after school.**

**PE for Rowntree and Ravilious** will also move **from Thursdays to Fridays** for the remainder of this academic year.

### Annual Easter Sponsored Event

A reminder to return all entries, forms and monies to school by **this week**. Last year, this event raised a huge sum of money for our school and we hope to achieve this again this year. A big thank you to Holly Grattan for organising this as part of our PTA fundraising.

### PTA Uniform Shop

A reminder that there are lots of good quality items of uniform available from the PTA second hand uniform shop. Anni W from the PTA will be setting up

a stall on Tuesday after school so please come and have a look at what we have in stock. All items with a logo are £2, all without a logo are £1. Orders can also be taken via PTA email address: [gbfobs@outlook.com](mailto:gbfobs@outlook.com)

### Swimming

Swimming lessons will begin on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June. We are so thrilled that Mr Grose, our fantastic swimming teacher will once again be returning to our school. Please can all parents read the attached information and return to form **ONLY** if your child is in Reception or has not had lessons with us before.

### Sports Days

This year we will be inviting parents to Sports Day on **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May**.

KS1 (Garwood and Bawden) parents are invited to join us from 10am to enjoy watching the children take part in traditional races and then picnic on the field from 12pm.

KS2 (Aldridge, Rowntree and Ravilious) parents are invited to join us from 12pm for a picnic and then to watch their children take part in traditional races.

Our Sports Days take place over two days and more detailed information will follow next week.

***I hope everyone has a fantastic week.***

*Mrs Crow*

Secret code word for 50 housepoints:  
**Bookfair**

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## Important Dates for your diary

### April

**Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April**

Book Fair 3pm-4pm

**Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> April**

Prestige World Cup

Book Fair 3pm-4pm

**Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> April**

Book Fair 3pm-4pm

### May

**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May**

Class Photos

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May**

May Day

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May**

SATs Week

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> May**

Garage Sale

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> May**

Sports Day 1

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May**

Sports Day 2 (Parents invited)

### July

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July**

Celebration Assembly

**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July**

KS2 Performance (1)

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July**

KS2 Performance (2)

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July**

Whole School Frinton Trip

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July**

Proms in the Playground 3.30pm

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July**

Celebration Assembly

Open Classroom 9.30am

**Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> July**

Bardfest

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July**

Y6 Pool Party 3.30pm

**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July**

Leavers Assembly 2pm

### Half – Term

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June**

Y6 Residential

Swimming Lessons Begin

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June**

Celebration Assembly

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June**

Celebration Assembly

Stay and Share

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June**

Y5 Careers Event

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June**

INSET Day

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June**

Celebration Assembly

PTA Colour Run