



The Bardfield Buzz

Newsletter #32 Monday 19th May 2025

A huge well done to our Year 6 children for completing their SATs last week! The tests included some particularly challenging questions, and I couldn't be prouder of the courage and resilience our pupils showed in tackling them. A heartfelt thank you goes to my dedicated staff, Governors and Year 6 parents for their support in ensuring the assessments were carried out seamlessly.

Attendance

Huge congratulations to Aldridge **AND** Rowntree Class who achieved **100%** attendance last week! We are so proud of your efforts and I am thrilled that two classes have achieved this. Miss White and Mrs Harrison have agreed that their classes will share custody of Archie Bear this week. Thank you, as always, to parents who continue to support us with achieving good attendance; it is so important that your child attends school every day wherever possible.

Sports Day Arrangements

This year, our Sports Days take place over two days (Thursday 22nd May and Friday 23rd May). We ask that children wear their PE kit to school all week.

We invite parents to Sports Day on **Friday 23rd May**.

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.

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.

If you are unable to picnic with your child, they are welcome to picnic with another family. We ask that you let us know who they will be lunching with so that we make sure they are sent to meet the correct family at 12pm. If you would prefer your child to have a school lunch (there will only be a cold choice on this day) please email the school office.

PSHCE

As you may be aware, a few years ago, the 'Relationships & Health Education' element of our programme of study was absorbed into our new PSHCE curriculum rather than being taught as standalone lessons. This means that the way the content is delivered is as part of usual, weekly PSHCE lessons. The only slight difference is that we separate some of the year groups in the Summer Term to ensure they receive appropriate content.

Ordinarily, parents can access the information about what we teach in each Key Stage on our website but as this area of our new site is currently under construction, I have attached the PSHCE curriculum documents to this newsletter for those of you who may be interested.

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Wraparound Care

Bookings can be made on ParentMail for The Hive. Please remember, there is no requirement to 'join' 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.

As we are trying to keep our staffing costs down, in order to provide this temporary wraparound care at a low cost to parents, can we ask that **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 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.

Swimming

Swimming lessons will begin on Monday 2nd 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.

Happy Bags

If you've been considering a spring clean, now is the perfect opportunity to

declutter and support our efforts to raise essential funds for our children!

Our PTA are gathering unwanted clothing, shoes, accessories and more to raise funds through 'Happy School Bag'. Each child will bring home a **Happy School Bag** or two to fill with unwanted clothing, shoes, accessories and more. Please see the attached flyer for more information on what you can put in your bag.

'Happy School Bag' will then collect and weigh the bags, donating 40p per kilo to the school. All bags need to be returned by **Friday 6th June** and can be left in the wooden 'bus shelter' on the front playground. **Please DO NOT return any bags before half term as they will sit on the playground and may get wet.**

PTA Uniform Shop

A reminder that there are lots of excellent 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. Orders can also be taken via PTA email address: gbfobs@outlook.com Thank you to Anni, who works very hard indeed running this enterprise.

Colour Run

On Thursday, 19th June, the PTA will be hosting a Colour Run during the school day, and we're excited for all the children to take part in this fun fundraising event! To ensure your child can participate, please remember to sign the waiver on ParentMail before half term. A link for donations of £6 per child has already been sent to the class WhatsApp groups but I have also added them below.

Donation Links:

1 child -

<https://pay.sumup.com/b2c/QTMW0NQ1>

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2 children -

<https://pay.sumup.com/b2c/QQLCX216>

3 children -

<https://pay.sumup.com/b2c/QN7Y9RP3>

On the day of the event, your child will need to bring a plain white t-shirt, dark shorts (PE shorts will be fine as the colour will wash out easily) and an old pair of trainers. You can find white t-shirts for just £1 or £2 at stores like Primark and most major supermarkets. We look forward to a colourful and exciting day!

PTA Tea towels

There are only five tea towels left to purchase. Please speak to Olivia or the office if you would like to buy one.

I hope everyone has a super week.

Mrs Crow

Secret code word for 50 housepoints:
Picnic

Important Dates for your diary

May

Thursday 22nd May

Sports Day 1

Friday 23rd May

Sports Day 2 (Parents invited)

Half – Term

Monday 26th May – Friday 30th May

June

w/b 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

PTA Colour Run

Friday 20th June

INSET Day

Friday 27th June

Celebration Assembly

July

Friday 4th July

Celebration Assembly

Tuesday 8th July

KS2 Performance (1)

Thursday 10th July

KS2 Performance (2)

Monday 14th July

Whole School 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