



# The Bardfield Buzz

Newsletter #8 Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2025

It is hard to believe we have reached Week 8 of the Autumn Term. It has been a usually busy one and the children have worked tremendously hard. Thank you to parents for supporting their children with attendance, uniform and homework this half term. It really does make a huge difference to the outcomes for your child.

Well done to our Cross Country team who did us proud at the KS2 event at Great Easton on Friday. Special congratulations to Jude R who came 10<sup>th</sup> in the Year 4 Boys event, securing a place in the finals early next year.

## Online Safety Session

It was wonderful to see so many of our parents join the session with the Two Johns last Thursday. All of the sessions, whether for children, staff or parents were informative, useful and absolutely terrifying in equal measure. If you were unable to join us, please use the link below to access the session. It will be available for 28 days from the live session.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/Ok0aS0ZLZgWVJAIAUncMA2tPG4YnJG3MZU04kBelzeVHPWYnenEQ2uQtnyfOtJMu.nieMVOPcw2fSR1U1>

## Harvest Festival

Thank you for your generous donations for our Harvest collection. The items were dropped off at the Braintree Foodbank on Friday after school and were gratefully received.

## Crucial Crew

On Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October, our Year 6 children will be spending the day at The Crucial Crew project, organised by Braintree District Community Safety Partnership. The day will involve workshops around issues including fire safety, shoplifting, smoking, water safety, road safety, first aid, bullying, drugs and alcohol awareness. The aim of the day is to teach the children about keeping safe and prepare them for their impending move to secondary school.

Please check you have given permission and that your child brings a snack and packed lunch with them.

## Halloween Disco

Our PTA are working hard to organise our annual Halloween Disco which takes place this Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October. Entrance is £5 per child which can be paid following the link below.

<https://pay.sumup.com/b2c/Q04FAV2N>

Please see the attached flyer for more details.

## Winter Lunch Menu

Please find attached a copy of our new Winter Menu, which will begin after half term, starting with Week 1.

Please note that wraps will no longer be available. As the colder months approach, we encourage all children to enjoy a warm, nourishing school meal each day.

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## Reading Books

As you may know, in recent years the PTA has generously funded a wonderful new collection of reading books to complement our phonics and reading scheme. Unfortunately, we are increasingly finding that some of these books are being lost or returned damaged.

To help us maintain our collection, if your child's reading book is lost or damaged, we will ask for a contribution towards the cost of replacing it. You will receive a ParentMail notification with a payment option for the replacement.

We regularly talk to the children about taking care of school property, and we'd appreciate your support in reinforcing this message at home. Thank you for helping us look after these valuable resources for everyone's benefit.

## Learning Reviews

From today, we invite you to book an appointment with your child's class teacher to discuss their progress and attainment. Please aim to arrive a few minutes early so you have time to look through your child's learning before your meeting.

If you are separated parents, we kindly ask that, where possible, you attend the appointment together. This helps ensure that both parents receive the same information and supports the best outcomes for your child, while also helping us to make the best use of teachers' time.

## Amazon Wish list

Thank you so much to the families who have generously purchased items from our wish list. If you are able to and would like to help, please click the link

below to have a look at our current wish list.

[https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/3JOOC9P4O1DC7/ref=nav\\_wishlist\\_lists\\_1](https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/3JOOC9P4O1DC7/ref=nav_wishlist_lists_1)

***We hope you have a wonderful half term break.***

*Mrs Crow*

## Important Dates for your diary

### October

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October**

Halloween Disco

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October**

Celebration Assembly

**Monday 27<sup>th</sup> Oct – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October**

**Half Term Break**

### November

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November**

Winter Menu Launch

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November**

One Plan Review Meetings

**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November**

KS2 Epping Field Study Centre Visit

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November**

Learning Reviews

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> November**

Open Afternoon 1.30pm

Learning Reviews

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> November**

KS2 Astrological Experience

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November**

**INSET Day**

### December

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December**

Pantomime

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December**

Shop 'til You Drop

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December**

Nativity (pm)

**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December**

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Nativity (am)

Christmas Lunch

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December**

Xmas Jumper Day

Flu Vaccines

PTA Christmas Event

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December**

KS2 Carol Concert 6pm