



The Bardfield Buzz

Newsletter #13 Monday 1st December 2025

With only three weeks left of this term, the festive spirit is well and truly underway at school! This morning, we explored the meaning of Advent in assembly, and children and staff have been busy putting up classroom decorations and Christmas trees, bringing a lovely seasonal cheer to our school.

We are, however, still seeing a few bugs and viruses making their rounds. While we recognise the importance of the children being in school, please do check that they are well enough before sending them back. As a gentle reminder, if your child has experienced sickness or diarrhoea, they should not return to school until 48 hours after the last episode.

Phonics Workshop

We hope that all reception parents are able to join us tomorrow, **Tuesday 2nd December** at **9am** for our **Phonics Workshop**. Any KS1 parents interested in a refresher on how we teach Phonics are very welcome. Please wait on the front playground once you have dropped your children to their classroom.

Pantomime

On Friday afternoon we will be walking up to the Town Hall to watch the annual pantomime. Please send your child in with a snack and drink for the interval. Please do not send in sharing bags, large quantities of sweets or anything fizzy to drink. We will return to school by the end of the day.

Shop 'til You Drop

On Monday 8th December, the children will take part in our annual Christmas '**Shop 'til You Drop**' event. This is a special day when the children visit the Christmas Market to purchase gifts for their family, with no gift costing more than £1. After shopping, they return to their classroom to wrap and label their presents, ready to place under the tree until Christmas morning. On Monday, please send your child with:

- **No more than £10 (in £1 coins)**
- **A named purse or wallet**
- **A shopping list of family members' names**
- **A named carrier bag**

A huge thank you to our PTA members, who shop for, set up, and run this wonderful experience for the children each year!

Nativity

Our younger children are excitedly preparing for their Nativity performances next week. Thank you for your support with our requests for costumes. All tickets for the Nativity will be sent home tomorrow so please check your children's bags. A reminder that there must be no photographs or filming during the performance. This is to comply with our safeguarding procedures and our Photography and Video Policy. At the end of the performance we will invite you to take photos.

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Bardfield's Christmas Bonanza

We would love you to join us for our Bardfield Christmas Bonanza on 12th December, from 3.30pm–6pm in the school hall. It promises to be a wonderfully festive afternoon for the whole family, with Christmas crafts, carol singing, delicious seasonal treats, fun activities, and even a special visit from Father Christmas himself. It's a lovely way to come together as a community and celebrate the magic of the season. We hope to see you there!

We are still in need of some help, especially towards the end of the event. If parents could just offer an hour of their time, we would be very grateful. Please follow the link below to see where help is still needed.

<https://volunteersignup.org/93JQ4>

Online Safety

This week's attached leaflet, from The National College, is titled '**What parents and Educators need to know about PokemonTCG Pocket**'. Please take a few minutes to read these each week, as they offer practical advice to help you support your child in staying safe online.

Playground News

Thanks to the amazing support of our community, we're well on the way towards our goal of creating a brand-new play trail for the children! If you're able, please consider making a donation — or simply sharing our fundraising page — to help us reach the finish line. Every contribution, big or small, brings us closer to making this dream a reality. You can donate using the link or by scanning the QR code below. Thank you for your kindness and generosity.

<https://gofund.me/873ecfa8a>



We hope you have a lovely week.

Mrs Crow

Important Dates for your diary

December

Friday 5th December

Pantomime

Monday 8th December

Shop 'til You Drop

Tuesday 9th December

Nativity (1.30pm)

Thursday 11th December

Nativity (10am)

Christmas Lunch

Friday 12th December

Xmas Jumper Day

Celebration Assembly

Stay and Share

Flu Immunisations

PTA Christmas Bonanza

Thursday 18th December

KS2 Carol Concert 6pm