

Badshot Lea Village Infant School

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Dear Parents,

Welcome back to school for the beginning of the Summer Term. We hope you enjoyed a relaxing, sunny Easter Holiday. We have a very busy term ahead of us with lots of exciting activities and events planned for both children and parents.

School Visitor

You will no doubt have heard that we have a very special visitor at school - a beautiful duck. We are trying to make her visit to Badshot Lea as stress free as possible whilst she sits on her eggs. Please help us by only coming to the school office when absolutely necessary and ensuring pre-school children do not play anywhere near the front entrance. Thank you. We will keep you informed of any events.

Congratulations Badshot Lea!

We have just heard that we have been awarded the Intermediate: Developing Internationalism International School Award for our work on global awareness. We will be working on the full International School Award next academic year.

Warmer Weather

We are all enjoying the warmer weather - fingers crossed it lasts and we can use our wonderful outside learning environment rather more frequently than in the recent past. With the warmer weather comes the need for protection from the sun. Please ensure your child brings a named hat to school each day. Don't forget that red, school baseball caps are available to purchase from the school office priced £3. On sunny days you may wish to put sun cream on your child before the start of school. If your child brings sun cream to school, it must be easy to apply and be clearly labelled. In addition please ensure your child knows how to apply their own sun cream. We will continue to encourage the children to drink plenty of water during the day. Just to remind you, we have water bottles for sale at £1.50 each and water bottle tops priced 50 pence each, again available from the school office. Finally, as our weather is so unpredictable, all children need to bring a suitable coat to school each day please - just in case!

Scooter Park

It is very pleasing to see so many scooters being used daily to scoot to school - great exercise and good for the environment. Well done. If your child would like to scoot to school do please take advantage of the Scooter Park located just inside the main pedestrian gate. We have a few scooter rules to help with safety: please place scooters in the Scooter Park carefully and considerately; no scooters at all beyond the inner gate and obviously no scooting at all once inside the main pedestrian gate. If your child scoots to school, but does not want to take advantage of the Scooter Park please make sure the scooter is taken home for the day. Thank you.

Outdoor Games and Sports

With the Summer Term comes the opportunity for outdoor games and sports. Please ensure your child has the correct PE kit: white 'T' shirt, red school shorts and black plimsolls that are easy to put on and probably more importantly fit correctly. Thank you.

Scarecrow Competition

You may recall our school will be taking part in a Scarecrow Competition arranged by Forest Lodge Garden Centre. Our entry, designed by Sorel Watson in year two, will be on display at Forest Lodge from the May half term holiday and throughout the summer. The design incorporates many gardening features and is definitely a re-cycled scarecrow! We are currently gathering all the items to build the scarecrow and are short of red wellington boots. If you have any red 'wellies' that you no longer require and would be happy for us to use in making the scarecrow, please do bring them into school as soon as possible. Thank you.

Morning Drop-off

Just to remind you we are encouraging the children to become more independent at morning drop-off. We will expect all the children to take responsibility for all their belongings, including book bags. All the children will go directly into the school playground once the inner gate is open. There is no need for any child to go into school. The only exception will be in poor weather when a member of staff will direct the children to the school hall. Do please use the 'social diary' system available at the inner gate to let the staff know who will be collecting your child at the end of school if it is different to usual. Thank you.

Lunchtime Supervisors

We are always keen to hear from anyone wishing to become a Lunchtime Supervisor at Badshot Lea Village Infant School. Currently we have vacancies for Monday and Wednesday. If you would like to find out more, or would like an application form, please contact Mrs Payne in the school office. Thank you.

Finally ...

Good luck to all our children for the Mini Obstacle Walk tomorrow and I am sure you would like to join me in wishing Mr Fox (our caretaker) the very best of luck when he runs the London Marathon this Sunday. Watch out for him on the television (his running number is 48313), or give him an encouraging wave if you see him around the circuit. Good luck children and Mr Fox!

Yours sincerely,

Jan Weir

Dates for Your Diary

Friday 24 th April	Mini Obstacle Walk for all the children.
Sunday 26 th April	Mr Fox running in the London Marathon.
Tuesday 28 th April	Pebble Painting Day for our Sensory Garden.
Monday 4 th May	Public Holiday - we will be CLOSED today.
Tuesday 12 th May	Curry Supper kindly arranged by The Friends - details already sent out.
Friday 15 th May	Bake Sale for Tree Aid - details to follow.
Wednesday 20 th May	Weald and Downland Open Air Museum visit.
Friday 22 nd May	We finish at 3pm for the half term holiday.
Monday 1 st June	We will be CLOSED today whilst the staff engage in professional development.
Tuesday 2 nd June	The children return to school today.
Wednesday 10 th June	Summer Tea kindly arranged by The Friends - details to follow. Internet Safety evening meeting for parents - details to follow.
Monday 15 th June	Class Photographs.
Saturday 27 th June	Farnham Carnival - more details coming soon!
Monday 29 th June	Induction Meeting for new parents at 7.30pm.
Wednesday 1 st July	Year 2 children to visit William Cobbett School for the morning.
Saturday 4 th July	Sports and Summer Fair - please put this date in your diary!
Wednesday 15 th July	Year 2 Stay and Play - details to follow.
Friday 17 th July	Leavers Service at St Georges Church at 9.30am for year 2 children and their parents - details to follow. Children's Disco kindly arranged by The Friends - details to follow.
Monday 20 th July	Pizza and Beach Party - details to follow.
Tuesday 21 st July	Stars of the Year Assembly for year 2 parents - details to follow. The children finish at 3pm for the Summer Holiday.
Wednesday 22 nd July	We will be CLOSED today.
Thursday 3 rd September	The children in years 1 and 2 return to school today.