

North Baddesley Junior School



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Dear Parents and Carers,



We hope you all enjoyed a refreshing long weekend. When the children returned on Tuesday, they were welcomed by beautifully decorated Christmas trees across the school. A heartfelt thank you to the Kings' family for generously donating the stunning Christmas tree displayed in our hall—it truly brightens the season for everyone.



Christmas Cards at the Junior School

As December arrives, many children enjoy sharing Christmas cards with friends and adults in school. To keep our learning time calm and uninterrupted during this busy season, we will once again be using our Junior School post-box system:



Each year group will have its own post box in their shared area. Cards for children within that year group should be placed directly into that box.

Cards for other year groups or adults should be delivered to the main post box in the reception area.

To help us sort cards efficiently, please ensure your child writes the **first name, surname and class** on each envelope (e.g., *Joe Bloggs - 3A*).

All cards will be delivered on the **final day of term**, when classes can enjoy opening them together—this helps prevent cards going astray and keeps the school day running smoothly. We kindly ask that children **do not hand out cards on the playground**.

Post boxes will be available following the weekend. Thank you for supporting us in keeping the school festive *and* focused.

Update on the Yurt

We are planning to build a log store for the wood used in the yurt's stove. If anyone has any spare pallets they are willing to donate, we would be very grateful. All donations can be brought to the school and left at the bin store in the staff car park.

Thank you for your support!

Contact
Autumn 14



Our Christmas Shopping Event will take place on Tuesday 9th December!



It's not too late to send in any donations for the children to buy. Each year group will have the opportunity to visit the stalls and purchase Christmas gifts for their family. Adults will also be providing a wrapping service!



The gifts available will be made up of donated items, eco arts and crafts created by the children, and a selection of handmade food.

We also have two wonderful gingerbread houses, which will be raffled at the event—so be sure to take part!

The Christmas Shopping Event is always a joyful occasion, and it also offers valuable learning experiences for the children, including practising real-life maths through spending money and making responsible choices. Some children, supervised by adults, will also have the chance to run stalls, helping them develop skills in handling money and managing their own mini-shop.

Please ensure children bring their money in a **named wallet or purse** (gifts range from £1:00 - £4:00; there, is no limit that children can spend). If possible, please send in change.



They will also need a **shopping bag** for their gifts.

Finally, the school would like to express its appreciation to **Mrs Murphy and the FONBJS**, who have spent weeks preparing and organising this wonderful event.

Student Spotlight



Felix has won multiple medals in his swimming meets. He works really hard to practice his skills, and his dedication has truly paid off. Well done, Felix!

Sophie has also been continuing her running and completed a 7 km trial in the dark, finishing in 1 hour and 2 minutes. Super work, Sophie!

We wish you a lovely weekend.



Miss Wootten

Head Teacher

Reminders for next week:

- Christmas Shop Tuesday - Money required
- Christmas Dinner Day and Christmas Jumper Day
- Rock to the Beat Concert – 2:30.

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- **Highlighted means it has been added since the original contact and is a new date/event**
- **Highlighted means there has been a change of date from the original date set.**

DECEMBER 2025	Y 3	Y 4	Y 5	Y6	Event/Activity
Tuesday 9th December	✓	✓	✓	✓	Christmas Shopping
Wednesday 10th December					Christmas Dinner & Jumper Day
Friday 12th December	✓	✓	✓	✓	Christmas concert to the school am - no values assembly.
Friday 12th December					Rock to the beat concert 2:30
Monday 15th December					Year 3 Christmas Carol Concert to Parents 1:45pm
Tuesday 16th December	✓				Year 3 Christmas Carol Concert to Parents 1:45pm
Thursday 18th December	✓	✓	✓	✓	Christmas Parties – pyjama day PJ's can be worn to school. School council voted for a pyjama day.
Friday 19th December	✓	✓	✓	✓	Carols and Candles - volunteers to the school invited.
Friday 19th December	✓	✓	✓	✓	Last day of term - Finish normal time 3:20
Monday 22nd December – Friday 2nd January	✓	✓	✓	✓	CHRISTMAS BREAK
JANUARY 2026	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6	Event/Activity
Monday 5th January	✓	✓	✓	✓	Return to school
Tuesday 6th January		✓			Year 4 Carnival Experience Day - Dress up
Wk. beginning 12 th January	✓	✓	✓	✓	School Led Clubs begin.
Tuesday 13th January	✓	✓	✓	✓	Project X code workshops for parents with their children.
Friday 23rd - Thursday 29th			✓		Year 5 Bikeability
Tuesday 20th January		✓			4T Class assembly to parents (10:20 -10:45) Please wait near the year 4/6 gate.
Monday 26th January					Times Table Workshop 9am and 2:30 pm.
Tuesday 27th January		✓			4D Class assembly to parents (10:20 -10:45) Please wait near the year 4/6 gate.
FEBRUARY 2026	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6	Event/Activity
Tuesday 3rd February		✓			4P Class assembly to parents (10:20 -10:45) Please wait near the year 4/6 gate.
Wednesday 4th February	✓				Year 3 Beaulieu trip provisional date.
Friday 6th February	✓	✓	✓	✓	Progress Report Tracker sent home.
Monday 9th February	✓	✓	✓	✓	Whole School REF day - old clothes to be worn to school.
Tuesday 10th February	✓	✓	✓	✓	Parent communication: Parent Evening Consultations (3:30 - 6:30) - 1 appointment per child
Thursday 12th February	✓	✓	✓	✓	Parent communication: Parent Evening Consultations (3:30 - 6:30) - 1 appointment per child
Monday 16th - Friday 20 February	✓	✓	✓	✓	HALF TERM
Monday 23rd February	✓	✓	✓	✓	INSET DAY
Tuesday 24th February	✓	✓	✓	✓	Return to school for children.

Mrs Wildey's Magic Words

Now, I know how time works (in theory) but, how is it Friday again?

Did anyone start an advent calendar this week? Mrs. Wildey has come across an advent of absolute joy, and it is entirely free; a poem a day from Donna Ashworth (I am a total fan. Her book 'Words Can Fly' will be the focus of our book week in March - it's a thing of tremendous beauty and such a lovely resource to use with our smalls when dealing with all the feels).

I have chosen to share the very first poem as it encapsulates the last few weeks of Mrs Wildey's wonderings. It is called 'Go Little':

When everything feels too big, go little.

Wrap yourself with grace and space, nibble your to-do's, just one tiny bit at a time. You can't outrun overwhelm, my friend, but you can stay so still that it passes you by. If you want to get more done, do less. Stress dissipates in the face of guilt-free, intentional rest.

Mrs. Wildey

For clarity, I am not affiliated with Donna from a marketing point of view (although she did reply to a letter I sent her, which means we are friends now, right?) but, her books would make for the loveliest of Christmas gifts for yourself or another human, big or small. Just saying xxx

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