

North Baddesley Junior School



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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome Back to Spring Two

A very warm welcome back to all our children and families as we begin the Spring 2 term. We hope you had a restful and enjoyable half term break and are ready for another busy and exciting few weeks ahead.

This term is always a productive one, filled with fantastic learning opportunities, enrichment activities and special events. We are looking forward to seeing the children continue to grow in confidence, independence and enthusiasm in their learning.

We would also like to take this opportunity to thank all of our parents and carers for your ongoing support. Your help behind the scenes plays a huge part in ensuring the school runs smoothly each day.

A gentle reminder to please continue supporting us by meeting deadlines for forms, payments and replies wherever possible. Doing so significantly reduces the amount of time spent chasing outstanding items and allows our staff to focus their time and energy where it matters most - supporting the children.

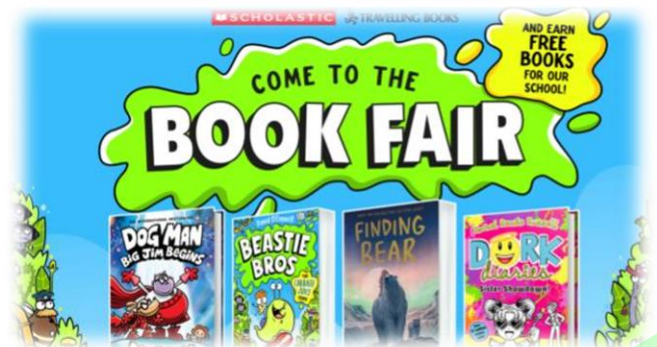
As always, thank you for working in partnership with us. We are excited for a successful and positive Spring 2 term together!

Book Week is Next Week.

Next week we look forward to celebrating books even more than we do every day.

Pre-loved second-hand books

We are proud to be supporting local charities this term, including the National Trust, Naomi House and the British Red Cross.



As part of our fundraising efforts, we are collecting good-quality, pre-loved books. If you have any books you would like to donate, please hand them to your child's class teacher.

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Book Fair – Coming Soon!

Following World Book Week, we are excited to be welcoming the Book Fair to our school. This is a fantastic opportunity for children to discover a book they love, while also helping us to earn wonderful free books for our school.

The Book Fair will be in school on Tuesday 10th March, Thursday 12th March and Friday 13th March.

The fair will take place in the school hall, with access via the back of the hall.

We look forward to seeing lots of families there and sharing a love of reading together!

Competition Time!

Children will have the opportunity to win a £5 book voucher to spend at the fair. To enter, we would like them to design a poster encouraging people to come to the Book Fair. Posters can be created in any style they choose - for example, hand-drawn, painted, or digital.

Please ensure all entries are handed to Mrs Horton by Wednesday 4th March, with the child's name and class clearly written on the back.

Winners will be announced in assembly on Friday 6th March. There are five vouchers to be won, so get creative!

Eco Committee Spring Fund Raising

Lower school Eco Committee will be selling homemade bookmarks from now until World Book Day. They will be sold at break time for £1 per bookmark.

Upper School Eco Committee and Gardening Club are raising funds for some new gardening equipment; they have some fluffy and edible items they are selling lucky tickets for. These tickets will be available for the next two weeks and will cost 20p per ticket.



Student Spotlight

Cross Country Success at the Mountbatten Races

A huge well done to all of our cross country runners who took part in the Mountbatten races this week. Every single one of you made us incredibly proud!

The determination, resilience and team spirit on display was fantastic to see. Cross country is never an easy challenge - with muddy paths, tough hills and strong competition - but our runners showed outstanding perseverance from start to finish.

It was wonderful to see everyone supporting one another, cheering teammates on and representing our school with such positivity and sportsmanship. Whether you achieved a personal best, ran your first competitive race, or simply pushed yourself to keep going, you should all feel extremely proud of your efforts.

Thank you for your commitment, enthusiasm and hard work — you truly did us proud!

We would like to celebrate Scarlett who had two fantastic football moments over half term. The week started with her latest round of fixtures for Southampton FC's Girls academy, she then received the brilliant news that she is being retained in the academy for the remainder of the season. Then on Friday with her grassroots team at AFC Stoneham, she participated in the Proco girls football tournament featuring the best teams from across Hampshire, with AFC Stoneham walking away as the U10 Winners.

We wish all of our families a lovely half term.
Best wishes,



Head Teacher



Reminders

Eco committee reminder - Bottle tops in by Monday 2nd please for final count!
3A Class Assembly - 10:20 on Tuesday
World Book Day - Dress up Day Thursday.

Mrs Wildey's Magic Words

Happy Friday!

Mrs Wildey was going to make a comment about the gorgeous sunshine that visited us this week, but I think I may have scared it away. It will be back soon though, right?

Our changeable weather got me thinking about some of the PSHE lessons we have been covering in school - learning about, and developing our emotional literacy - as comparing our emotions to the weather can be a really useful way of helping children gain simple, non-threatening language to describe how they feel.

Using metaphors can make big feelings easier to name and manage. Our small humans might say they feel cloudy instead of sad, or stormy instead of angry. We can alter our questioning too - instead of "how are you feeling today?", we can ask, "Did anything make you feel sunny today?" and, "What kind of weather are you hoping for tomorrow?"

And just like real weather, every emotional forecast comes with the promise that change is always possible. The sun is always there, sometimes we just need to wait for the clouds to pass in order to feel it.

Mrs Wildey

Dear Sun, I am sorry for what I said about cheese. I love you the most.

NBJS Community and Well-being Partnership

We would like to invite parents and carers to our next *SEN and Mental Health* 'coffee and catch-up' afternoon on:

Tuesday 17th March – 1:30pm – 3:15pm @ NBJS

These sessions will provide an opportunity to share and discuss general issues around SEN and Mental Health, with the aim of providing our community with the resources they need to navigate an everchanging, and sometimes overwhelming, landscape.

Miss. Verlander, Mrs. Jonas and Mrs. Wildey look forward to welcoming you all!

To register your interest in attending this afternoon, please email school.office@northbaddesley-jun.hants.sch.uk

NBJS PTFA Update

As we have come to the end of our first year operating as NBJS PTFA, we would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who has helped, supported and taken part in our events. From volunteering your time, donating prizes, baking cakes, buying tickets or simply coming along and joining in the fun, every contribution has made a real difference.



- <https://chat.whatsapp.com/HmGKlr8ngp64DGrWygeHin>

We have our Spring Disco arranged for Tuesday 24th March, 4.30pm to 5.15pm for Years 3 and 4 and 6pm-7.15pm for Years 5 and 6. Tickets are available via PTA Events - www.pta-events.co.uk/nbjs-ptfa/

If you need to contact us, please do so via our email address nbjsptfa@northbaddesley-jun.hants.sch.uk



Thanks to the incredible support from our community, we raised a total of £9,512.96, a truly fantastic achievement for our first year. We have been able to give this back to the children in various ways from furnishing the Yurt, purchasing Playground and classroom games to replacing sport kits.

Next Year we hope to continue with this year's success. We always need new volunteers to keep these events running, so please join us. Together, we can continue to make a huge difference for our children.

To keep up to date with all NBJS PTFA events, please join our WHATSAPP Community

SPRING DISCO

TUESDAY 24TH MARCH

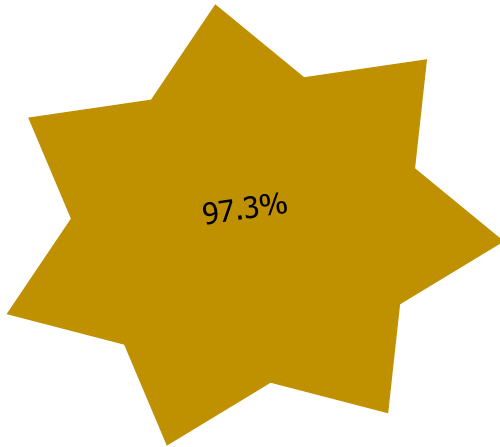
YEARS 3 & 4 | 4.30PM - 5.45PM

YEARS 5 & 6 | 6.00PM - 7.15PM

TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW

WWW.PTA-EVENTS.CO.UK/NBJS-PTFA

Attendance figures this week - Great job everyone!



Please work in [partnership](#) with us to ensure that your child attends school regularly.

Year 3	98.49 %
Year 4	98.34 %
Year 5	95.91 %
Year 6	96.84 %



- **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.**

Dates for the diary

MARCH 2026					
Monday 2nd- Friday 6th March	✓	✓	✓	✓	World Book Week
Tuesday 3rd March	✓				3A Class assembly to parents (10:20 - 10:45) Please wait near the year 4/6 gate.
Thursday 5th March	✓	✓	✓	✓	World Book Day - Dress up day
Tuesday 10 th , Thursday 12 th and Friday 13 th March	✓	✓	✓	✓	Visiting Book Fair
Tuesday 10 th March	✓				Year 3W Class assembly to parents (10:20 - 10:45)
Thursday 12 th March		✓			Avon Tyrrell Parent Meeting Kit list meeting
Week beginning 16 th March	✓	✓	✓	✓	Last week for school led clubs
Tuesday 17 th March		✓			Drop off Medicines for Avon Tyrrell 8:30 - 9:00
Tuesday 17 th March	✓				Year 3H Class assembly to parents (10:20 - 10:45)
Wednesday 18 th March	✓	✓	✓	✓	Open Showcase Afternoon: Whole school curriculum showcase (2.30-3.00pm). Please wait near the year 4/6 gate.
Friday 20 th March					Odd sock days - word down syndrome day 21 st March
Monday 23 rd March	✓	✓	✓	✓	Music Showcase (Keyboard, Violin, Cello, Brass) 9:30- 10:30. Please wait near the year 4/6 gate.
Tuesday 24 th March	✓	✓	✓	✓	SCHOOL DISCO (Yr 3 & 4: 4.30 -5.45) (Yr 5 & 6: 6:00 – 7.15)
Wednesday 25 th March	✓				Year 3 WWII Evacuee Dress up Day
Thursday 26 th March	✓	✓	✓	✓	Music Showcase (Guitar, Woodwind, Percussion) 9:30- 10:30. Please wait near the year 4/6 gate.
Friday 27 th March					R2Beat concert - parents invited 2:30
Friday 27 th March	✓	✓	✓	✓	END OF TERM - normal finishing time.
Monday 30 th March - Friday 10 th April	✓	✓	✓	✓	EASTER HOLIDAYS

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in Year 1 -
Year 7

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Obstacle
Course**



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Baking**



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HAF spaces
available from
Monday
2nd March





☐ **Easter Holiday Mindfulness Pony Day for Kids!** ☐

Dates: Thursday 2nd April and Friday 10th April

Time: 9.30am- 2pm

Location: Hill Crest Farm, Horsham

Join us for a magical day of ponies, riding, art, friendship, and mindfulness!

✦ What to Expect:

- ☐ **Mindfulness Time with Ponies**
 - ☐ **Pony Care**
 - ☐ **Riding and Mounted Games**
 - ☐ **Connect with Arts and Nature**
 - ☐ **Make New Friends**

Click the links or scan the QR code to book the day of your choice:

[Thursday 2nd April- Mindfulness Pony Day- Book Now!](#)

[Friday 10th April- Mindfulness Pony Day- Book Now!](#)



Cost: £140 per child

BY PURCHASING A TICKET VIA EVENTBRITE, YOU ARE PAYING £40 DEPOSIT. YOU WILL BE INVOICED VIA EMAIL FOR THE OUTSTANDING AMOUNT ON 27th MARCH.

Spaces limited to 10 children per day

We are an inclusive team and warmly welcome children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND). We celebrate diversity and are committed to providing a supportive environment where every child can thrive.