

Spring Term January 2012

# Smile



The school newsletter for  
**North Baddesley  
Infant School**

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## What's been happening in school?

Welcome back to the start of a new year. I hope that everyone had a lovely Christmas and this year brings health and happiness to all.

I would like to thank all our parents for the generosity both towards the school and our nominated charity last term. We raised £353 pounds for the DEC and over £2000 for the car, boat and train, taking us a step closer to our target. We are planning a number of events for the spring and summer terms so please keep an eye on our dates and events calendar!

If you would like to see the plans for the replacement equipment, please visit our website: [www.northbaddesley-inf.org.uk](http://www.northbaddesley-inf.org.uk). You will also be able to find our up to date totaliser!

We are looking forward to story telling week at the end of January and more details about this will follow shortly – please watch the bulletins for further information.

On a different note, it has been brought to my attention that some parents are having difficulty receiving the emailed bulletins and letters they have requested. Please check your junk/spam folders and inform us if you have any problems as we can work with the company providing this facility to resolve this. Apologies for any inconvenience caused. Please also don't forget to tell us if any of your contact details, including email addresses and mobile phone numbers have changed.



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Although it is very early to be thinking about Easter, I would like to remind all parents, especially those who are new to us, that our annual bonnet parade will be held at the end of the spring term. Families make a bonnet of their own design at home to be worn at our annual parade, so mark the date!

**Finally, please don't forget to check our lost property box as we have dozens of unnamed missing items.**

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## What's been happening in class?

Foundation Stage have been very busy making their own television channels for their "What's on the Box?" topic and finding out more about festivals of light in their "What's That Light?" topic.

Year 1 have been helping the Jolly Postman and Year 2 have been making their own potions and finding out about changes to materials in their Hocus Pocus topic, as well as learning more about Guy Fawkes and why we have Bonfire Night.

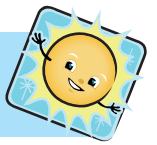
Key Stage 1 (Years 1 and 2) and Foundation Stage have also found the time to learn their lines and rehearse their songs for two fantastic Christmas

performances. We hoped everyone who watched enjoyed it as much as we did and I would like to congratulate everyone on all their hard work, including all the staff and volunteers!

Don't forget, topic evaluations can be completed on Wizkid! Also, you can visit our website to find out more and see some photographs of our recent topics!



## Celebrate Good Times



Congratulations to Adelaide Howard, Toby Smith and Lottie Knott, Hocus Pocus topic champions.

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## Community corner

A big thank you to all those who came to or supported our Ladies' Night held in November. It was a lovely evening with a wide variety of stalls and treatments available and we are hoping to run a similar event next year.

Our Christmas market was very popular and raised a staggering £1700 for the school. We would like to thank everyone who helped with and supported this event.

**Julie Haynes, senior parking officer writes:**

*"As you may already be aware, legislation has recently been enacted granting the Council's Parking Attendants authority to issue Penalty Charge Notices by post.*

*This will be used in cases where the Parking Attendant has started to issue the Notice and the vehicle is driven off, or the driver prevents the Notice from being fixed to the windscreen. This will allow for more effective enforcement of many different types of restriction in Test Valley and will be of particular benefit when dealing with road safety problems outside schools as it will provide an effective deterrent to parents who insist on dropping off pupils on zig-zags at the school gate."*



**Just for FUN**

**How many Baddesley Bears can you find?**

## Parents' corner

**The next Parent Council meeting is Monday 23rd January at 2.15pm in the community room. All parents are welcome.**

We are an informal group who meet each half term to discuss a range of matters. Parents are welcome to add items to the agenda and it is an opportunity to make a positive difference to the school and have your opinions listened to. We have made a number of improvements as a result of these meetings so they really do make a difference. If you would like anything added to the agenda or want to know more information regarding Parent Council or any other ways to help in school then please speak to Mrs Chambers.

**If you would like to contribute to the next parents' corner, please speak to Mrs Chambers or pop a note in the suggestions box.**

## Lunchbox ideas

**3 oatcakes with red Leicester cheese**

**Chutney and reduced salt ham**

**Cherry tomatoes, carrot sticks and cucumber sticks**

**Fruit in jelly**

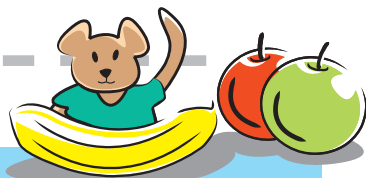
**Dried apricots**

**Semi skimmed milk**

## Starting School in September 2012?

If you know anyone whose child is due to start school in September 2012, please remind them that they will need to apply for a school place. The main round of applications runs from 1st November 2011 until 15th January 2012. Parents can apply online at [www.hants.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.hants.gov.uk/admissions) where additional information can also be found.

Paper application forms are also available by contacting 0845 603 5623.



### Nutritional information

Energy: 532 cal

Fat: 15.5g

Saturated fat: 7.5g

Carbohydrate: 82.2g

Salt: 1.6g

## Governor corner

We would like to welcome Ms Nicole Perry and Mr Andrew Preston who join us as new governors. Ms Perry has recently joined as a Community governor and Mr Preston was most recently voted in as a new parent governor.

Please find below a list of current governors.

Neil Jones	14/11/13
Richard Kimber	19/10/14
Andy Preston	25/11/11
Christina Randles	29/03/15
Lucy Chambers (Headteacher)	N/A
Colleen Hopkinson (non-teaching)	29/03/15
Zoë Doyle (teaching)	31/08/14
Dave Wilson	29/10/11
Jacqui Rowe	10/07/15
Nicole Perry	29/09/15
Olwen Greenwood (Chair)	18/07/14
Stuart McAuliffe (Vice)	15/11/14
Carolyn Davies	

### Colleen Hopkinson – Non teaching staff governor writes:

At the start of another new year it is nice to reflect on how the school has changed since I first started over 21 years ago.

Way back then there was no national curriculum, schools did not hold their own budgets or control their own payroll.

One thing that hasn't changed is the children; they still take huge delight in being involved in all aspects of school life. Nowadays they have much more opportunity to be involved in their school, and enjoy being part of the decision making processes in many different ways.

Pupil participation in the recent fundraising events has been very rewarding, the Christmas Fair, and other fundraising events held during the autumn term have raised a considerable amount towards the replacement of the large playground equipment. We hope to have this installed in the near future, so everyone who has contributed so much to the events will be able to see the results of their efforts.

In summary, the past 21 years have flown by, it has been a pleasure to see the school grow and flourish over the years, and appreciate the dedication of all staff who give so much to our lovely school.

# Key Dates for the coming term



JANUARY 2012	YR	Y1	Y2	
3rd January	•	•	•	Day Closure
20th January		•		All Creatures Great and Small exhibition of work for parents in afternoon
23rd January	•	•	•	Parent Council meeting 2.15pm
24th January			•	Y2 Wacky Races family evening
25th January		•		Y1 visit to Planetarium
30th Jan—3rd Feb				Storytelling Week
FEBRUARY 2012	YR	Y1	Y2	
1st February		•		Y1 Rocket Launch family evening
8th February	•			Yr R assembly for parents and pre school 9.30am
10th February			•	Yr 2 assembly for parents 9.15am
<b>13—17th February</b>	•	•	•	<b>HALF TERM</b>
20th February	•			Yr R visit to Longdown Dairy Farm

MARCH 2012	YR	Y1	Y2	
1st March	•	•	•	World Book Day—dress in flag colours
2nd March			•	Y2 drumming workshop
5th March	•	•	•	Parent Council meeting 2.15pm
12th March	•	•	•	Timetables out for parent consultation evenings—please book your appt
16th March	•	•	•	Pace and progress reports to be sent to parents
19th March			•	Yr 2 visit Hindu temple
21st March	•	•	•	Parent consultation evening 3.30—6.00pm
22nd March	•	•	•	Parent consultation evening 6.00-8.30pm
22nd March	•	•	•	Last normal Celebration Assembly am
26th March	•	•	•	Proposed date for Church visit and Easter lunch
26th March	•	•	•	Parent helpers' tea 2.45pm
28th March		•		Y1 assembly to parents 9.15am
29th March	•	•	•	Termly Gold Assembly am (termly gold awards)
30th March	•	•	•	Bonnet Parade 9.15am