

News Update



Term 5—26th April

Dates for the Diary	
02.05.24	Reception trip to Blacklands Church
07.05.24	Year 4 Trip to Herstmonceux
09.05.24	Year 5/6 Quad Kids Athletics at Sandown
09.05.24	Year 1 trip to Blacklands Church
16.05.24	Year 3/4 Quad Kids Athletics at Sandown
21.05.24	Year 3 Smugglers Adventure
23.05.24	Year 5 Hastings Museum Trip

The end of another great week at the academy. We've had two fantastic class/year group assemblies take place this week. **Huge well done** to Kingfishers, Swifts and Skylarks! You led the assemblies with huge confidence and positivity! What a credit to the school you are.

Computing Event

Thank you to Mrs Adie and Miss Collins for organising for some of our pupils to attend a computing workshop. The children took part in some fun, hands-on challenges & met some inspiring role models! Our pupils were impeccably behaved and excellent role models!

We also won a Climate Action Robotics kit!



Attendance Figures:

W.E—19.04.24
Whole Academy—92.13%
Govt Target—95%

Well done to Swifts, Kingfishers, Robins, Cranes and Curlews who were all above our 95% target!

Class	Weekly
Cygnets	90.00%
Ducklings	92.73%
Skylarks	85.71%
Swifts	97.39%
Kingfishers	95.24%
Robins	98.10%
Lapwings	90.50%
Sandmartins	89.57%
Cranes	99.57%
Hérons	86.82%
Curlews	96.07%
Moorhens	91.27%
Avocets	86.67%
Kittiwakes	88.33%



If you have any Safeguarding concerns or wish to report or discuss any issues, please email safeguarding@thebairdprimary.academy.org.uk

You should have received the proof images for your child's class photo. The deadline date is 6th May!



- Gold Certificates:**
- Ducklings: Mia Rose and Arlo
 - Cygnets: Harley
 - Skylarks: Amayah
 - Robins: Anastasia
 - Kingfishers: Miracle
 - Lapwings: Isaac
 - Sandmartins: Theodore
 - Hérons: Isla
 - Moorhens: Gideon
 - Curlews: William
 - Kittiwakes: Solomon, Makai and Isabelle
 - Avocets: Melita
 - Hummingbirds: Millie
- We are proud of you all! Well done!**

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**THE BAIRD
PRIMARY
ACADEMY**



**THE BAIRD
PTA** CALENDAR
ARTWORK
COMPETITION
(for 2024-25)

The Baird PTA will be creating a calendar for parents and carers and we would love to see your artwork inside!

We need 12 pictures – 1 to illustrate each page.

You can use any art materials you like but please try to stick to the space below the dotted line.

Pick a month and take inspiration from the seasons, events held around that time, or anything you love about school or Hastings!

SOME SUGGESTIONS:

- SEPTEMBER – Back to school
- OCTOBER – Halloween / Diwali / Harvest Festival
- NOVEMBER – Autumn / Bonfire Night
- DECEMBER – Christmas / Hanukkah / Winter Solstice
- JANUARY – Winter / New Year / Lunar New Year
- FEBRUARY – Valentine's Day / Start of Ramadan
- MARCH – End of Ramadan (Eid) / Holi / Spring / Fat Tuesday (Mardi Gras)
- APRIL – Spring / Passover / Easter
- MAY – Jack in the Green / Spring flowers
- JUNE – Summer Solstice / Summer
- JULY – Sports Day / Hastings Pirate Day
- AUGUST – Summer Holidays

Please drop entries off at the school office by Thursday 16th May. All entries will be returned.

You can send an email to the PTA secretary, Laura with any questions: bairdprimarypta@outlook.com

Artwork by

Year & Class



The Baird PTA Aims & Objectives

At the Baird PTA our goal is to support a healthy and vibrant school community, promoting engagement and positive action with our teachers, parents and students.

To do this we have set out the PTA Aims and Objectives:

ENHANCE

Consistently ENHANCE EXPERIENCES for our children.

This may be through holding exciting events with good quality food, drink and experiences, funding trips and activities in and out of school, and much more.

Engage a new wave of volunteers each year to MAINTAIN A SUSTAINABLE PTA.

Holding events like school uniform sales the term before new starters join and handing out information in advance will excite newcomers each year.

INFORM

KEEP PARENTS INFORMED about how the school works and upcoming events.

Giving parents clear information and plenty of notice of upcoming events will maximise engagement.

INFORM THE LOCAL COMMUNITY about our brilliant school.

Share our successes in local publications around Hastings and St Leonards to create a sense of pride and let people know we exist.

COMMUNITY

INCREASE INTERACTION between families and school.

We will hold regular PTA meet-ups and request suggestions and feedback from parents and teachers.

REQUEST SUPPORT from the local community for fundraising and more.

Asking for funding from local businesses and applying for funding and grants elsewhere.

Internally

Externally

In summary, the PTA can help communicate with families more effectively, enhance fundraising efforts and qualify for grants and awards to support the school. All of this activity helps to enhance our school's reputation within the local community and provides more opportunities for enrichment in our children's lives.

The PTA has a fundraising target of £5000 which we must hit in order to qualify for charity status.

Each year, 50% of PTA funds will sponsor lots of lovely things for every child and the remaining 50% will be reinvested into more fundraising events.

Spring has sprung and with a new spring in our steps, The Baird PTA are excited to announce what's coming up.

REGULAR COFFEE MORNINGS
We are aiming to hold regular coffee mornings for parents and carers to get a chance to get to know each other and to plan each term's upcoming events. See dates at the bottom of this newsletter.

Topics we'll discuss next time are:

- Volunteers for sports day 2024
- A potential brand new PTA event for Christmas 2024
- Any other potential big events for next year
- The creation of a Cultural Calendar
- Anything you'd like to talk about!

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES
We now have clear PTA Aims and Objectives which will focus our efforts. See attached flier.



f Did you know, we have a Facebook page? It's another good place to keep up with what's on at the PTA.



THE PTA CALENDAR ARTWORK COMPETITION (FOR 2024-25)

The Baird PTA will be creating a calendar for parents and carers and we would love to see your child's artwork inside! We will be choosing at least 12 pictures – 1 to illustrate each page. Children can collect a competition sheet from school.

Thanks to Fraser Carr Miles and Annie Mackin of Unit 33 Studio for printing the Calendar Artwork Competition sheets for us.

WHAT A FABULOUS DISCO!
Many thanks to the parent volunteers and teachers who helped to organise and run the Easter Disco. The children had a blast and we raised over £350!

HOW CAN YOU HELP?
Are you a DJ with your own equipment? Would you be interested in DJing for our next disco event? Please get in touch.

CAKE SALE
We will be holding a Cake Sale just before half term. Look out for when to bring your cake donations!



UNIFORM SALE
We will be holding a Uniform Sale on Wednesday 12 June 2024 at 3pm, outside the office gates. Cash and card accepted.

We need more used uniform to be donated. We especially need boy's trousers – although we know that the knees rarely survive, so it's a long shot! We will be collecting donations outside the office on 3rd, 4th & 5th June.



KEEP IN TOUCH
Would you like to be added to the PTA Whatsapp group for volunteers? Please email PTA secretary, Laura Mingozi-Marsh, at BairdPrimaryPTA@outlook.com to be added or with any other questions, suggestions and requests.



PTA COFFEE MORNINGS
WED 1 May • WED 22 May • WED 26 June
9-10.30am in the Lower Hall

Everyone is welcome to join, including younger siblings.
No access to toilets, sorry!



**1066
KIDS CLUB**

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**MASTER
BUILDERS!
COME AND BUILD WITH
US!**

**FRIDAYS 19TH APRIL- 24TH MAY
AFTER SCHOOL UNTIL 5PM
SIDLEY FAMILY HUB**

To book search for "1066 Kids Club"
or visit eequ.org/experience/6093
Have a question? Email
1066kidsclubhastings@gmail.com



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1066 Kids Club Summer Camp
@ Baird Academy
Starting Monday 29th July 2024
for 4 weeks!
9:00am – 4:00pm
Mondays* – Fridays

*excluding bank holiday Monday 5th Aug 24



Questions? Email: 1066kidsclubhastings@gmail.com