

News Update



Term 1—11th October 2024

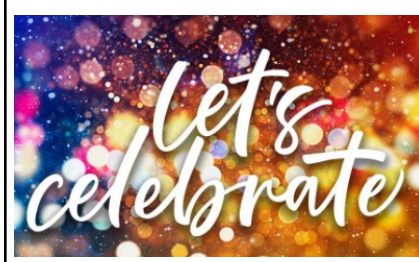
15.10.24	Year 5 Pearls of the Sea Workshop
16.10.24 17.10.24	Parent Consultations
22.10.24	Nurture Beach Trip
23.10.24	Flu Vaccinations— Consent needed
23.10.24 24.10.24	Year 1/2 Source Park Trip
24.10.24	Last Day of Term
05.11.24	Term Begins

Attendance Figures:
Target = 95%
Achieved = 92.62%

Class	Weekly
Cygnets	86.55%
Ducklings	89.41%
Kingfishers	92.06%
Skylarks	93.49%
Swifts	95.19%
Little Owls	97.01%
Snowy Owls	95.24%
Tawny Owls	94.22%
Curlews	89.35%
Moorhens	86.57%
Avocets	96.71%
Kittiwakes	92.59%

Gold Award Winners:

Ducklings: Ollie
Skylarks: Telly
Swifts: Matilda & Charlie
Kingfishers: Martha
Snowy Owls: Isaiah
Tawny Owls: Abi
Little Owls: Anastasia
Moorhens: Bethany
Curlews: Alice
Kittiwakes: Jasmine
Hummingbirds: Phoebe



Thank you to all our amazing Parents and Carers who attended our Celebration Afternoon, yesterday. It was incredible to see children proudly showing off their work and classrooms!

Prospective Parents—Reception 2025

It only feels like yesterday, we welcomed our new Cygnets and Ducklings children, yet we are already looking at our new in take for 2025!

If your child is due to start school in September 2025, you can visit the school at the times below, please book via the website link:

www.thebairdprimaryacademy.org.uk

6th November—09:30-10:15

13th November - 09:30-10:15

13th November— 14:00-14:45

3rd December—17:00-17:45

8th January—09:30-10:15

A reminder:

Teachers will be out on the playground at 8.40. They are only available then until 8.45 when they must be in teaching their classes. They will then be available at the end of the day.

Teachers must go into class at 8.45 to start teaching so if you miss them you need to talk to the other staff on duty - in hi vis vests.

In ks1 whilst the doors are open parents must not come into the classes as this is a safeguarding concern. If you missed the teacher please catch them at the end of the day.

Remember that all gates close promptly at 8.55 so please be out of these areas by then as staff will have a teaching commitment from 9.

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

PTA Uniform Sale

Huge thanks to the PTA for running a hugely successful pre loved uniform sale. They secured £73 in total which will go back in to the school and benefit our children!



This week, Snowy Owls and Tawny Owls went to Hastings Museum for a Roman Workshop.

We got to hold real Roman artefacts, march like Romans and some of us even dressed up! Ask Year 3 & 4 about the Romans- we know so much! Tawny Owls Workshop is due to take place on 12th December.





Sussex Partnerships for Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools (PINS)

A message for parents and carers

Your school is one of 40 in Sussex to have been chosen to take part in the PINS programme. Over the next 7 months, the school team will be learning and developing new skills and approaches to supporting neurodivergent children. The aim of the project is to try new ways to make schools inclusive, which should benefit all children.

What support can my school get?

- The school will be choosing some areas to focus on.
- To do this they have shared a parent survey, talked to children, and carefully studied the school as a whole.
- The PINS team will match the school with expert support such as training or coaching.



I missed the parent carer survey - can I still be involved?

Yes! The school are very keen to hear your voice. There will be two engagement events happening over the next two terms, run by your local parent carer forum.



PINS - have your say: **your local Parent Carer Forum** will be hosting an event to talk about the PINS project and ideas around neurodivergence in your school. Please join us:



Join us for a free webinar - Monday 21st October 7pm - 9pm
Understanding Children's Needs with Kit Messenger

Presentation Summary

It's hard for children and young people to be at their best when their needs are not met sufficiently well. Children presenting with neurodivergent profiles often struggle to communicate their needs within certain environments or situations. This can often lead to a cycle of stress-related behaviours which makes life hard for the child (and for those around them too).

Using a range of visual prompts and real-life examples, Kit will explain the use of a needs-led approach to improve neuroinclusion. She will describe a structure and language for children to communicate and prepare for their needs to be met positively, explaining how this common language empowers children to take greater responsibility for being at their 'Brain Best'. Kit will go on to detail how this approach can enable barriers to be more accurately identified and addressed and, through a common set of models and tools, adults and children are able to work in partnership to ensure successful engagement in education.

Kit's Biography

Kit is a former headteacher with over 30 years' experience working with children and young people. She is the co-author of 'Curious Not Furious' and the founder and Co-Director of Changing Chances, a not-for-profit organisation with a mission to shift the world away from traditional behaviourist approaches towards ones which are neuro inclusive. Changing Chances provides courses for parents and carers as well as training for professionals within schools, wider educational provision, youth justice, social care and health. Their flagship programme, 'The Empowerment Approach@', weaves neurobiology, psychology, education and coaching to empower young people with an understanding of the brain and the tools to feel and do better.



'Understanding Children's Needs' with Kit Messenger

Date: Monday October 21st, 2024 Time: 19:00 London

Meeting ID: 885 5916 4758

Passcode: Empower

Join Zoom Meeting SCAN QR CODE OR FOLLOW LINK:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88559164758?pwd=FHSzJkUcG6NdYlqf5Zy4j2UdyIfZpv.1>



