

# School Communication

2<sup>nd</sup> March 2026



## School Closure Dates

**Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March-Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April - Easter Holiday**

## Dates for your Diary

**Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March-Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April & Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> April-Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> April - Easter Holiday Club** – Further information below

## Whole School Information

### Monday 2<sup>nd</sup>-Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March – World Book Week

Our favourite week is here again and we've already started celebrating all things books! Here are some key events coming up this week:

#### Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March - Visit from author Mike Brownlow

We were delighted to welcome the author Mike Brownlow into our school today. We learnt all about how he writes his stories and had a fantastic workshop in illustration! For more information on this author and his books, visit his website here [About | mikebrownlow-wix](#).

#### Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March - World Book Day!

The children can come to school all dressed up on this day! This year we have a theme for each year group. Your child can choose to join in with the theme or come dressed as their favourite book character! Please speak to your child's class teacher if you need any support with a book day costume. The themes are as follows:

- Year R - Woodland animals
- Year 1 - Julia Donaldson
- Year 2 - Fairy tales

Don't forget your child can bring their favourite book with them. Please make sure it has their name clearly written in it to ensure it comes back home safely with them.

#### Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March - Special School Lunch Menu

There is also a special school lunch menu on World Book Day. Please see the attached posters for further information.

Please don't hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher if you have any queries about Book Week.

### Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March – 9:00am-10:15am - Baby and Toddler Group

We are excited to confirm that our next Baby and Toddler Group session will be held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March. Please join us after you have dropped your older children to their classes. We will be there to greet you at the entrance between the main building and our Year 1 block and will have a cuppa ready for you in the Library and Lookout. A donation of £2 towards the cost of tea and coffee would be greatly appreciated. We look forward to seeing you and your little ones!

## Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March – 3:30pm-4:00pm – Nursery Walk-Around

We have an opportunity for prospective families to have a look around our Nursery on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March from 3:30pm-4:00pm. If you would like to join this visit, please contact the School Office on 02380 412412 or email: [nursery@northbaddelsey-inf.hants.sch.uk](mailto:nursery@northbaddelsey-inf.hants.sch.uk).

Please also share this information with any family you know who might be interested in a place for their child at our Nursery.

## Pick-Up Sticks – Adventure Play Equipment

You might well have noticed that we are dismantling the pick-up sticks wooden play equipment outside the hall on the main playground. This structure has provided many hours of adventurous play for our children but we have decided it is time for a change in this part of the playground.

We are very grateful to members of the local Men's Shed for their help to dismantle the equipment. They are planning to use the wood to make benches. What a great way to recycle and reuse!

## Measles

There has been a rise in the number of cases of measles in London. At present, there has not been a rise in cases in Hampshire but we have been asked to share the guidance from the UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) about what to do if you suspect a case of measles within your family:

- Seek an **urgent medical assessment** via NHS 111 or your GP. Before attending a healthcare setting, you **should call ahead** so infection control actions can be implemented on arrival.
- Please notify us of any likely or confirmed case of measles within your family.

For further information about the symptoms of measles, please follow this NHS link:

[Measles - NHS](#)

The MMRV vaccination is now offered routinely in childhood at age one year and at eighteen months. However, the MMR vaccine is still available for older children and adults born on or before 31<sup>st</sup> December 2019 who were not vaccinated when they were younger, so **anyone can catch up at any age**. For further information about the MMRV vaccination, please follow this link:

[MMRV \(measles, mumps, rubella and chickenpox\) vaccine - NHS](#)

## Lost Property

We have gathered an astonishing amount of lost property! Please check that you are not missing a child's coat, hat, shoe, jumper/cardigan, water bottle, lunch box, etc! The lost property container is located next to the covered walkway between the main building and the Year One block. Any items unclaimed over the coming days will be sorted and kept for use as spares here at school and nursery.

## Drumming and Guitar Lessons

Tom Francis has some spaces available for children to take drumming or guitar lessons at school. Please see the attached posters for further information and booking details.

## Year Group and Treetops Information

### Nursery

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March** – Hampshire Healthy Heroes Visit (Barnardo's) - A session for the children with activities around oral health, healthy eating and being active

### Year R

No further information this week

### Year 1

No further information this week.

### Year 2

#### **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March – 2:30pm - Presentation about London Trip**

In advance of our forthcoming trip to London on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March, we would like to invite parents and carers to attend a short presentation outlining the details of the visit. This will take place on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March at 2:30pm in the school hall.

#### **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March – Trip to London**

### Treetops

#### **Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March-Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April & Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup>-Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> April - Holiday Club Easter Holiday Club**

Holiday club offers have gone out to all paying families and your Arbor account has been updated to reflect the dates that your child will be attending. Please ensure that all holiday club dates are paid in full by Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026.

If you have applied for your child under the HAF scheme (pupil premium eligible families), offers will be made shortly, so do keep an eye out for this.

Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact us via e-mail to [treetops@northbaddesley-inf.hants.sch.uk](mailto:treetops@northbaddesley-inf.hants.sch.uk)

## FoNBIS

#### **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March – 2:00pm-3:00pm - FoNBIS Spring Meeting**

We'd love you to join us for our upcoming Spring Meeting on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March, 2:00pm-3:00pm. Please enter via the Botley Road entrance and sign in at the School Office.

We'll be sharing plans for upcoming events, discussing new ideas and looking at ways we can continue supporting our wonderful school and its pupils.

Whether you help out regularly or would simply like to find out more about what we do, everyone is welcome; we'd love to see some new faces!

Any questions, please email [fonbis@northbaddesley-inf.org.uk](mailto:fonbis@northbaddesley-inf.org.uk)

#### **Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June – Baddesley 5K and Kids' Kilometre**

After a hugely successful inaugural event, the Baddesley 5K & Kids' Kilometre returns on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2026 at North Baddesley Recreation Ground.

Enter now at: <https://www.evententry.co.uk/baddesley-5k-kids-kilometre>

This year we're not changing much as we want to evolve slowly. We want to welcome a few more runners (but not too many), have a new and improved start/finish area; all whilst keeping everything that made last year's event such a success... including those of you who took part!

The event offers the following:

- Scenic mixed-terrain 5K
- Kids' Kilometre
- Medal for every finisher
- Family-friendly community event
- Refreshments
- Raising funds for [Friends of North Baddesley Infant School](#)

We are looking for sponsors! If you are interested please email for our sponsorship information pack: [baddesley5k@gmail.com](mailto:baddesley5k@gmail.com)

## Community Information

### Spring into Action 2026 – Time to Walk, Talk, Listen

We are pleased to be sharing My Journey's Spring into Action Toolkit 2026. Designed by the Travel Planning Team at Hampshire County Council, the Toolkit is filled with ideas to add fun and connection to your active journeys this spring. This year's Toolkit theme is Time to Walk, Talk, Listen. Walking and wheeling side by side often helps conversations happen more naturally, making it easier for children and young people to share their feelings and worries. Just as important is the opportunity this gives us to listen to one another too.

With eighteen simple activities to try, plus a range of questions to help start a conversation, the Toolkit is designed to encourage talking and listening while walking and wheeling – whether on journeys to and from our school and nursery, or during leisure time after school and at weekends. The Toolkit highlights other benefits active travel can bring, whether you choose to walk or wheel your entire journey, or simply park a little further away and walk or wheel the final five to ten minutes. You will also find guidance on adapting the Toolkit to suit your family's needs.

This Spring into Action 2026 Toolkit is available to download here: [spring-into-action-toolkit-2026.pdf](#)

### Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March - FREE Science & Engineering Day at the University of Southampton

The University of Southampton's annual Science and Engineering Festival (SOTSEF) returns this March, offering an exciting chance to explore the world of STEAM—Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics. Running alongside British Science Week, the festival's flagship event, **Science and Engineering Day**, takes place on **Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March**.

This free, family-friendly day invites visitors to enjoy more than 140 activities, including inspiring talks, interactive shows, hands-on workshops, and behind-the-scenes laboratory tours across the state-of-the-art Highfield and Boldrewood campuses. No previous knowledge is needed—just curiosity!

Free tickets are available via the festival website: [www.sotsef.co.uk](http://www.sotsef.co.uk)