School Communication

Monday 21st September 2026

School Closure Dates

Monday 26th-Friday 30th October – Half Term Break

Whole School Information

Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 23rd September – School Photographer Visit for Individual Photos (further information below)
Friday 2nd October – Harvest Festival (further information below)
Friday 2nd October –3:15pm-4:00pm - FoNBIS School Disco – Years 1 & 2
Wednesday 7th & Thursday 8th October – Parent/Carer/Teacher Consultation Evenings
Monday 12th-Friday 16th October – Open Week for New Starters September 2027 (further information below)
Wednesday 14th October – 5:30pm-7:00pm – Open Evening for New Starters September 2027
Thursday 22nd October – Annual Flu Vaccination (further information below)
Friday 23rd October - Last Day of Autumn 1 Half Term
Monday 26th October-Friday 30th October – Half Term Break
Monday 2nd November - First Day of Autumn 2 Half Term

Whole School Information

Wednesday 23rd September – School Photographer Visit for Individual Photos

In addition to your child's school photograph being taken on this day, you are welcome to book appointments for sibling photos to be taken, particularly with younger siblings who are not at school or nursery. Children who have brothers or sisters at NBIS or at nursery that day will have pictures taken with their siblings, in addition to their individual photo.

Please note: Your email address will be shared with the photographer in order to send proofs directly to your home.

Friday 2nd October – Harvest Festival

We are holding our Harvest Festival on Friday 2nd October at 9:00am. This will be led by a member of the North Baddesley Church community. Donations can be brought into school on that day and everything will be collected from us by Romsey Foodbank which provides incredible support to our local community. Please see the poster sent with last week's school communication for a list of items they would be grateful to receive.

Wednesday 7th & Thursday 8th October - Parent/Carer Consultation Evenings

Booking slots will be available on your Arbor account by the end of this week and further information explaining how to book will be sent via ParentMail. Please ensure you can access your account so that you will be able to select a consultation time.

Monday 12th-Thursday 15th October – Open Week for New Starters September 2027

We are holding our Open Week during the week commencing 12th October for parents and carers with children starting in Year R in September 2027. There will be an Open Evening event on Wednesday 14th October, 5:30pm until 7:00pm, with a presentation by Mrs Lashmar at 6:00pm. Parents and carers will be free to visit all areas of the school and speak to staff in each year group as well as our SENDCo, Pastoral Team, Breakfast, After School and Holiday Club Team, in addition to our Admin Team.

We really hope that this will give an insight into both the educational and extra-curricular aspects of the school. If you would like to come along, please sign up using this link:
North Baddesley Infant School Open Evening Tickets, Wednesday 14 October • 5:30 PM - 7 PM | Eventbrite

For families who are unable to attend the Open Evening, tours will be available at 9:15am daily, Monday 12th -Thursday 15th October. If you would like to book a place on one of these tours, please contact the school office via email: adminoffice@northbaddesley-inf.hants.sch.uk or call: 02380 412412.

Thursday 22nd October - Annual Flu Vaccination

The NHS School Age Immunisation Service is coming into school on **22nd October 2026** to give pupils their annual flu vaccination and would like your consent to vaccinate your child. Please see the attached letter and poster for further information.

It is important to let the Immunisation Service know whether you do or do not want your child to have the vaccination. Please respond using the link on the attached letter. Responses need to be received by **20th October 2026**.

Xmas4schools – Christmas Cards

The children are busy designing their Christmas card masterpieces and these will be sent home in book bags. On the reverse of the artwork is a form for you to complete if you wish to order from Xmas4schools. They have a wonderful range of products for you to select from, including cards, key rings, tea towels and mugs. Your child's design will be printed on each product creating unique Christmas gifts and cards for friends and family.

In addition, every purchase raises valuable funds for our school. Please ensure your form is returned to school by **Monday 19th October** in order to share your details with Xmas4schools. You will then receive a text/email confirming an ordering portal is open.

Passwords

Please make sure you know your password and that you share it with anyone designated to collect your child. Thank you for helping us to ensure the safety of all our children.

Drum and Guitar Lessons

Tom Francis has the following spaces available for children to take drumming or guitar lessons at school during the school day:

- 3 individual guitar lesson slots (Friday)
- 2 group drum kit lesson slots (Tuesday)
- 2 Individual drum kit lesson slots (Tuesday)

Please see the posters sent previously for further information and booking details.

Year Group and Treetops Information

EYFS

A reminder to all our families within our Early Years Foundation Stage that we have the fantastic home school communication tool, Tapestry. We use this to share learning, experiences and photos of your child in setting. Please login to stay updated with all of the wonderful milestones your child is experiencing on their learning journey and don't forget you are able to share special moments from home too!

Nursery

A Little Note for our 9:00am Starters

To help us make sure we have the right number of team members ready to welcome and support the children each morning, our door will open between 8:50am and 8:55am for children who start at 9:00am.

This allows our team to be fully prepared and ensures that we can give the children the care, attention and support they need as they arrive and settle into Nursery.

Thank you so much for your understanding and cooperation. We really appreciate your patience in the mornings.

Messy Play

The children have been loving daily messy play, sand and water! Please could you make sure your child is sent in with spare clothes, wellies and an all-in-one waterproof/puddle suit if you have one. If you do not have one, please speak to the nursery team so we can provide spares, as needed.

Wednesday 23rd September – End of the Day (Extended Session)

The school photographer will be using our nursery building after 3:00pm on Wednesday 23rd September, so please collect your child at the Willis Avenue gate if they are with us for an extended session that day.

Key Workers

Please keep your eyes peeled for our key worker reveal, accessible via Tapestry.

Hollytree

Congratulations to our wonderful Hollytree children who have completed their first few weeks at pre-school.

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Year R

Wellies

As we head towards the second half of the Autumn Term, we encourage all children to have a pair of wellies that they can keep at school. Please feel free to bring them in over the next few weeks so we are prepared for a rainy day!

All Aboard!
Soon, we will be preparing our children for our first trip. We are heading out on a local bus tour around the village to support our learning through our theme, 'Knock Knock'. The children will get to share places they recognise around the village with their friends and teachers. This is a great first experience of getting out and about in preparation for future trips!

Phonics Workshop
A gentle reminder for parents and carers to access the Phonics Workshop on your child's Tapestry account. Thank you for your support.

Year 1

Morning Routine
Please can we encourage you to support your child to go into their classroom independently each morning. Please be reassured that, if your child's class teacher is busy with another family, there are additional adults waiting inside to greet all the children as they go in.

If you wish to share information with the class teacher, please do this once all the children have been greeted. As always, we don't apologise for putting the children first.

This worked so successfully for the children in Year R and we want to maintain their fantastic independence. Many thanks for your support in giving our children a positive start to their school day.

Year 2

No further information this week.

Treetops

After-school Treetops will be relocated to the Year One building on the following evenings to facilitate staff training:

- Wednesday 30th September & Thursday 1st October

Please collect your child from the Year One building entrance.

We are delighted to keep this facility open whilst staff training is being delivered. Thank you for your support.

Family Support

Hampshire Healthy Families (Barnardo's)

Hampshire Healthy Families is delighted to be offering two **FREE** online Healthy Steps courses for families with children aged 2 years to school age aimed at building healthy habits around food, activity, sleep and wellbeing. These digital sessions will take place as follows:

- Tuesday Mornings, starting 15th September (5 online sessions)
- Monday Afternoons, starting 21st September (5 online sessions)

For further information and booking details, please see the attached invitation.

FoNBIS

North Baddesley Schools' Fireworks Night
After five fantastic years, we've made the difficult decision to take a break from our annual North Baddesley Schools' Fireworks Night.

Since launching in 2021, the event has become a huge part of our school and local community. We've welcomed thousands of people through the gates, enjoyed five sell-out events and raised valuable funds for both North Baddesley Infant and Junior Schools.

However, an event of this size comes with significant costs and requires many months of planning and a huge number of volunteers. Fireworks Night now costs over £20,000 to put on and, despite the incredible support of local sponsors and consistently selling out, the amount raised for the schools no longer reflects the time, costs and manpower involved.

For that reason, there will be no North Baddesley Schools' Fireworks Night this year.
We're incredibly proud of what the event has become and so grateful to everyone who has supported it over the last five years; our volunteers, sponsors, suppliers, vendors, school staff and, of course, everyone who has bought a ticket and joined us on the night.
We hope Fireworks Night may return in the future but, for now, we're going to... pardon the pun … go out with a bang, knowing we've had five amazing years.

Thank you for being part of it.

Community Information

Starting School – September 2027

Please see the attached poster from Hampshire County Council School Admissions Team with information for families with children starting school in September 2027. The important dates are:

Applications open: Sunday 1st November 2026
Applications close: Friday 15th January 2027

October Half Term - Multi-Activity Camp – Mountbatten School

Bookings are now open for an October half-term multi-activity camp at The Mountbatten School. Please see the attached poster for further information.

Monday 16th November - 12:00pm-12:30pm - HCC Road Safety Team – Parent/Carer Workshop

Hampshire County Council Road Safety Team are launching support for parents and carers, encouraging them to educate our children about road safety from a very early age. The webinar will share what behaviours parents should model from an early age to ensure their children develop safe behaviours throughout their early years, and these behaviours continue into their teenage and adult years.
To register for the webinar, please click this link: Parent webinar registration form