

Badger Club Newsletter – Spring 2026

Welcome to the Badger Club Newsletter!

Welcome to our Spring edition of the Badger Club Newsletter. We hope this newsletter gives you a helpful and enjoyable snapshot of life at Badger Club, including updates on activities, staff, menus, availability, and important reminders. As always, thank you for your continued support — we love being part of your child's day!

Activities

With the arrival of brighter, milder weather, the children have been making the most of spending lots of time outdoors. They've loved rediscovering the outdoor play equipment, which hasn't had much use over the winter months. Imagination and creativity have been in full swing with block play, while football continues to be a firm favourite for many.



Our younger children particularly enjoy the outdoor play kitchen, train set and chalks, and bubbles are always a big hit with everyone!

When play moves indoors, the children have been delighted with two new rugs, purchased with a very generous donation from a Badger Club parent — thank you! These have helped to create cosy spaces for relaxation and games. We've also added several new IQ and logic games recently, which the children have been thoroughly enjoying.



Breakfast Club

We continue to offer a varied and nutritious breakfast selection to help children start the day well. All dietary requirements and allergies are fully catered for. Please contact the club if you would like to discuss any individual needs.

We're also very pleased to share that we continue to hold our **5-star food hygiene rating**.

Please note: For insurance reasons, we are unable to allow children into the building before **7:45am**.

Our Staff

Badger Club remains committed to providing a safe and nurturing environment where your child receives appropriate care, support, and supervision at all times.

All members of staff:

- Are qualified in Paediatric First Aid
- Have completed food hygiene and safeguarding training
- Have undergone enhanced DBS checks

If your child has any SEND or additional needs, please ensure the club is informed so staff can offer the best possible support.

Important Notices

School-Time Pick-Up

If your child will not be attending Badger Club after school because they are being collected at the end of the school day, please **email or text the club to let us know**.

If we are not informed, children will be taken to attend Badger Club as normal and will need to be collected from there. This procedure is essential for safeguarding.

Other Events & School Clubs

- If your child is attending an event and will not be coming to Badger Club, please email to inform us.
- If your child attends a school club, please let us know whether:
 - You wish to cancel their Badger Club session (28 days' notice required for no charge), or
 - They will attend Badger Club after their school club, to secure their place.

Discos, Book Fairs & Snack Stalls

Due to staffing requirements, Badger Club staff are unable to escort children to school discos, book fairs or snack stalls, or allow children to leave the club to attend these events. Children can only be released to their designated adult, or another adult with the correct password.

Pick-Up & Absences

- If you are running late for collection, please call the Badger Club mobile on **07762 385760** with as much notice as possible.
- All absences must be reported via email, as we do not have access to school attendance records:
badgerclub@long-furlong.oxon.sch.uk
- Contract cancellations usually require **28 days' notice**.
- Please ensure your child's details on the parent portal are up to date, including contact numbers, address changes, medical information, dietary needs and permissions.

Availability

- **Breakfast Club:** Spaces are currently available every morning.
- **After School Club:**
 - Good availability on Monday and Friday
 - **Limited availability** on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

For ad hoc bookings, please log in to the portal, go to *My Bookings* and select available sessions. Please note that afternoon availability is currently very limited.

If you have younger siblings starting in September, or anticipate any changes to your childcare needs, please get in touch as soon as possible. We have limited spaces and do not have many Year 6 leavers freeing up places this year.

The Badger Club Committee

We're always happy to welcome new members to our friendly Badger Club Committee! We meet once each term and are made up of current and past Badger Club parents. The committee plays a vital role in supporting the club as a **charitable, non-profit organisation**, helping us keep fees as low as possible.

Badger Club is managed by a voluntary committee and chaired by **Mrs Lucy Harvey**.

About Badger Club

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Website: <https://longfurlongbadgerclub.org.uk>

- **Ofsted Registration Number:** EY561085
- **Registered Charity Number:** 1175264
- Members of the **Out of School Alliance (OOSA)** – Membership No. 9124

Badger Club operates independently from the school and has its own set of policies, which can be found on our [Policies](#) page.

If you have any safeguarding concerns, please report them directly to the Manager.

We'd Love to Hear From You!

If you would like to join the committee or have any questions, feedback or suggestions, please don't hesitate to get in touch. Thank you for being part of the Badger Club community!