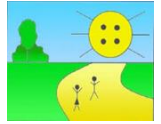


# BUTTON LANE NEWS

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2019



What a lovely Easter Service we had at St Michael's Church on Thursday. The whole school and choir sang beautifully, the children played their instruments so well and the readers spoke clearly and with confidence. It was lovely to see so many parents, thank you for supporting us. Also thank you to Reverend Caroline for leading the service. We hope you have a lovely Easter Break and we look forward to seeing you on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April for the start of the Summer Term.

## **Keep Britain Tidy Great British Spring Clean Litter Pick**

All week the children have been taking part in the Keep Britain Tidy Great British Spring Clean Litter Pick. The children had a great time litter picking in our school grounds and local area. Thank you to all the parents/carers who came and helped. Check out Twitter for pictures. We also received a telephone call from one of our neighbours saying how much of a difference our litter pick has made to the surrounding area!



## **Manchester Midday Walk**

All of Key Stage 1 are taking part in the Manchester Midday Walk to raise money for St Ann's Hospice. The children will all walk a mile around the school grounds on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April. The children have been sent home with sponsor forms this week and there will also be collection jars around school.



## **Easter Raffle**

Well done to the winners of the Easter Raffle; Pryia, Connor, Taylor, Diana, Blake, Stan, Kiearna and Mrs Jones. Lexi-Grace was the winner of the Giant Bunny!



## **4 Week Attendance Challenge**

Unfortunately we did not increase our whole school attendance over the last 4 weeks, therefore the whole school fun day will not be going ahead. Well done to all the pupils who achieved 97% attendance or above during these 4 weeks, your regular attendance contributed to the whole school achieving 96%.

We will be carrying on this attendance challenge over the next 5 week half term and we are confident we can improve the whole school attendance, we are expecting 100% attendance during this period from all our Year 6 pupils due to SATS and 100% attendance from all of Key Stage 1 due to SATS, we hope the rest of the school will follow their example and also strive towards 100% attendance for this 5 week challenge!

# 5 WEEK CHALLENGE

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# 2019

## Dates for your diaries

### April

12<sup>th</sup> April – School closes

## **23<sup>rd</sup> April – Back to school**

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April – Key Stage 1 Midday Walk

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> April – Reception trip to Wythenshawe Wheelers

### May

The whole month of May – Key Stage 1 test period

Week beginning 13<sup>th</sup> May – Key Stage 2 SATS

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May – School closes

### June

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June – Back to school

Week beginning 10<sup>th</sup> June - Key Stage 1 Phonics Screening 2019

## Free Courses

We are running 2 free parent courses starting in the new half term:

Family Phonics – Year 1 parents, starting Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April – 9-11am

Well Being Course – Starting

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April – 9-11am

If you are interested in attending any of the above courses please contact the school office.



## Parent App

We still have some parents/carers who have not yet signed up for the Parent App. If you have not already done so can you please sign up ASAP. The app is now our main source of communicating with parents/carers about everything that is happening within school so it is very important that you sign up for it. If you are struggling to install it or have not received an invite please contact the school office and they will be happy to help.



## Attendance

This week the school has a weekly percentage of 93.4%, this is the lowest it has been for a very long time!

The top class this week was 5DD with 99.6%, fantastic 5DD, we are very proud of you.

The year to date attendance is 96%.

Only 5 classes reached our target of 97% or above, we had 4 classes whose attendance was less than 90%.

We can do so much better and look forward to this improving in the new half term! We hope everyone steps up to the 5 week attendance challenge and strives towards 5 weeks of 100% attendance.



## Reporting Absence

If your child is going to be absent please inform the school on the first day of absence. You can leave a message on the school answer phone or with the office staff on 945 1965 or you can send a text message to the school mobile the number is: 07599954928 or you can fill in the absence reporting section on Parent App. If we do not receive communication regarding a child's absence it will be recorded in the register as an unauthorised absence. 5 unauthorised register marks can result in a penalty notice being issued by the local authority.



## Need Support?...some useful numbers

Women's Domestic Violence - 0161 636 7525

Men's Domestic Violence Helpline - 0808 80100327

NSPCC 24 hour free phone service - 0800 800 500

Childline - 0800 1111

**Police (if not urgent) 101 Women's aid 0161 660 7999**

## Safeguarding Children

Every week we put on our newsletter the number for Social Services: 0161 234 5001. If you are ever concerned about any child please report it to Mrs Jones.

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