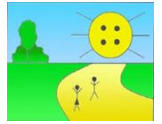


BUTTON LANE NEWS

Monday 22nd June 2020



Last week we welcomed back children in nursery and reception and as expected they settled in fantastically!

It was such a busy week at Button Lane, our ex-pupil Marcus Rashford made us and the whole of Manchester so proud with his campaign for the free school meal provision to continue throughout the summer holidays. Staff and children took part in lots of press interviews, sharing their memories of Marcus and also giving their take on what he had achieved, the children spoke so confidently and were great representatives for Button Lane.



Covid 19 Home/School Agreement

Thank you to all of you that have sent your replies to the Covid 19 Home/School Agreement. Could we please ask that if you have not yet replied, that you do so by this Friday. Your child will not be able to attend school from June 29th if we do not have this from you. Can I remind you that all children coming into school and the people who live with them are maintaining social distancing rules. In order for children to attend school at the moment these rules must be adhered to to ensure we minimise the risk to all the families of children attending and our staff. Parents must support us in following the rules set out at each stage. If you are unclear as to what these are please use the link provided. Our staff have signed up to this and we expect all our families to support us by doing the same. I cannot emphasise the importance of this enough.

<https://www.publichealth.hscni.net/covid-19-coronavirus/covid-19-information-public>

Free School Meals

There has been a lot of press over the last few days about free school meals, so I just wanted to ensure you are aware how to check if you could be entitled to free school meals. Please use the following link to find out if you are entitled and if you are, school will be notified directly

<https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/sims>

Children in the infant department are entitled to universal free school meals but you should still apply through this link as the school can claim for additional funding (pupil premium) for new equipment and resources. Even if you do not think you are entitled it is worth while checking, this only takes a couple of minutes to do.

Thank you.

**Free
School
Meals**

Are you entitled?

Zoom

We held our first Zoom classroom meetings last week with reception, years 3, 4, and 6. It was fantastic to see the children who we have not seen for such a long time, it was also nice for the children to interact with their class mates. We are looking forward to the Zoom meetings scheduled for this week with Years, 1, 2, 5 and nursery.



30 Days Wild

The children have been so busy this week taking part in the 30 days wild challenge, they have made journey sticks, explored our grounds to see what they could find, jumped in muddy puddles and so much more, go to our Twitter page to see the photos of what they got up to.



Button Lane Primary School Website

We are improving and adding to our new school website all the time. Please take a look at the dedicated children's area and parents/carers area.

www.buttonlane.manchester.sch.uk

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School Reports

All children will receive a school report for this academic year, it will either be hand delivered or posted and will arrive over the next 3 weeks.

Information about transition will be included, further information will be sent out in due course.

SCHOOL REPORT

Times Tables Rock Stars and Numbots

Don't forget to access TT Rockstars and Numbots at home. There are weekly competitions to take part in! The log in details are the same for both websites. Please also use the school website for fun learning activities and games. Good luck!



Manchester Libraries

The Summer Reading Challenge 2020, 'Silly Squad'

The annual Summer Reading Challenge has launched early this year. It is aimed at children aged 4-11 and will run over the summer until early September. The Challenge is very different as it will not involve a library visit or reading books from the local library. Children can join online at sillysquad.org.uk and can read any books (from home, from school, e-books etc). There is no minimum number of books to read (previously it was 6). Manchester Libraries will be offering daily online content Monday - Friday from 1 July. This includes a weekly 'Draw with Me' with Nick Sharratt, craft sessions, poetry and storytelling. There will also be a Book Review competition. You can find out more information on the library blog

<https://manclibraries.blog/2020/06/05/silly-squad-the-digital-summer-reading-challenge-2020/>

The Reading Agency and Libraries Present

SILLY SQUAD

Summer Reading Challenge 2020

sillysquad.org.uk

The Kid Who Came from Space -

Read Manchester's first transition read

The transition from Y6 to Y7 can often be a worrying time and this year presents even more challenges. Read Manchester has been working with partners and funders to bring the first ever city-wide transition read. The Kid Who Came from Space by Ross Welford has been selected and will be given to the current Y6 cohort. We will be distributing these over the next couple of weeks. An accompanying enrichment pack will also be sent to you in early July with activities for children to do at home over the summer.



The Great Button Lane Sunflower Growing Competition

The Great Button Lane Sunflower Growing Competition 2020! It is inspired by a national campaign run by the Landscape Show who aim to get the country involved in a 100 day challenge to grow the very happiest flowers-sunflowers and see just how much happiness we can grow! If you've got some sunflower seeds or can get hold of some that's great, if not send an email to info@landscapeshow.co.uk and they will send you some.

Check out our sunflower planting tutorial on Twitter. You can choose to take part in the national competition if you wish, or just join in with the fun of the school one. We will have Button Lane winners and runners-up with prizes for the tallest sunflower and most imaginative plant pot! Share your progress with us on Twitter! Happy Growing!



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Gallery of Good Work

We have really enjoyed hearing about what the children have been getting up to and seeing the examples of work they have completed.

1M - Mali
For persevering with
her writing and
creating some
fabulous woodland
art.

5E - Demi
For an excellent
effort on YUMU
Charanga music.

Moonbeam - Connah
For working hard on his
writing, counting and
painting.

2A - Izabella
For working incredibly
hard with her drama.
She even came first in
her age category. Well
done Izabella.

Sunshine - Emily
For supporting
other children in
her bubble when
they were feeling
a little
apprehensive.

Willow Tree - Jackson
For super work, super
spellings and a
fantastic attitude to
learning all week in
school. Well done.

3BI - Leighton
For writing a
phenomenal letter
with Miss
Abdelmawla that had
lots of adjectives,
adverbs and humour.

4DB - Mackenzie
For enjoying the
outdoors and
writing some
lovely work about
it.

Palm Tree - Maxwell
For working hard on
his golfing skills with
Daddy. We have a
future pro-golfer on
the way.

6F - Louis -
For pushing himself in
Maths all week and
completing all the
activities that he was
set.

5M - Justin
For his continued
effort and
dedication to his
home learning.

6G - Rebecca
For writing an
excellent
biography about
Charles Dickens.

1G - Lilly
For an exciting
attitude to school
and amazing maths
skills. Well done Lilly

4M - Cameron and Alana
For speaking so
confidently and
articulately when
interviewed by the
national news media.

2H - Isabelle
For all her creative and
focused hard work.
Excellent writing this week
in particular, keep up the
great work Isabelle!

4CD - Warren
For all his hard
work in his bubble
this week.

3P - Isaac
For enthusiastic
work in forest
school.

2W - Millie
For writing a super
postcard to Miss
Whittaker.

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.

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

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Manchester Libraries

Library doors may be closed at the moment, but there are still lots of amazing things going on. Please see the information below for how to find and access some great stuff.

Follow us on twitter - @manclibraries twitter

Take a look at the libraries Facebook, you will find our Tiny Tots Time and Lego challenge, plus so much more <https://www.facebook.com/manchesterlibraries/>

Check out the library blog for online resources for children and the weekly Children and families newsletter - manclibraries.blog

Free Borrowbox ebooks and eaudiobooks;

<https://manclibraries.blog/2020/04/01/how-to-use-borrowbox-ebooks-and-eaudiobooks>

Take a look at our new Manchester Libraries YouTube channel for some great craft sessions - <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCOV9hZgzBO3hMPmZp8JPlcA>

Let's stay in touch!

Who to contact	Email address
General Enquiries	helpline@buttonlane.manchester.sch.uk
To speak to nursery staff	Nursery@buttonlane.manchester.sch.uk
To speak to reception staff	Reception@buttonlane.manchester.sch.uk
To speak to year 1 staff	Year1@buttonlane.manchester.sch.uk
To speak to year 2 staff	Year2@buttonlane.manchester.sch.uk
To speak to year 3 staff	Year3@buttonlane.manchester.sch.uk
To speak to year 4 staff	Year4@buttonlane.manchester.sch.uk
To speak to year 5 staff	Year5@buttonlane.manchester.sch.uk
To speak to year 6 staff	Year6@buttonlane.manchester.sch.uk

Music Lessons

KS2 children who have instrumental lessons with Mr Sanderson can now request free video call lessons. They can email Miss Earley at year5@buttonlane.manchester.sch.uk for more information.



Supporting Parents of Children with SEND

Educational Psychology Helpline 0161 276 0118 (Monday – Friday 1.00pm – 3.00pm).

A helpline for parents/carers of children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities and for Early Help professionals within Manchester Local Authority.

We can offer a problem-solving phone conversation relating to educating your child/young person at home and responding to issues relating to learning, behaviour, anxiety and mental health needs. For example:

- are you feeling unsure how to teach your child learn at home?
- are you finding it difficult to teach what is expected?
- is it difficult to help your child stay calm or get them to co-operate?
- are you concerned that you don't have the right equipment or resources?

These are particularly difficult times for parents/carers of children and young people with special needs and disabilities. We are available to talk through difficulties you may be facing.

Helpful Resources

Newsround: Visit the CBBC Newsround special on childhood bereavement.

Young Minds: Parents Helpline: 0808 802 5544 <https://youngminds.org.uk/>

Winston's Wish: 08088 020 021 www.winstonswish.co.uk

Child Bereavement UK: 0800 02 888 40 www.childbereavementnetwork.org.uk

Cruse Bereavement Care: 0844 477 9400 www.cruse.org.uk

Children's Bereavement Support: 0161 711 0339 www.onceuponasmile.co.uk

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