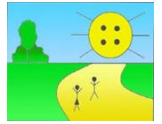


BUTTON LANE NEWS



Monday 29th June 2020

The weather was so lovely last week it meant the children got the opportunity to spend some quality time in our lovely grounds. They have been looking after our allotments and have managed to grow raspberries, mint, rosemary and chives. They climbed trees, went on nature trails, became bee detectives as part of the 30 days wild challenge, made hanging baskets and just loved taking their learning outside.



Free School Meals

There has been a lot of press over the last week 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.



Are you entitled?

Zoom

We held the last of our Zoom classroom meetings last week with nursery, years 1, 2, and 5. It was lovely to see the children. We hope to do some more Zoom meetings over the coming weeks.



Thank You

We are so proud of our ex-pupil Marcus Rashford and what he has achieved with his campaign for the free school meal provision to continue throughout the summer holidays. We wanted to thank him in our own special way, so some pupils and staff made a video to let him know. Go to our YouTube page to watch it.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NqthH8cRF6Vo>



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.



Button Lane Primary School

We are improving and adding to our new school website all the time.

www.buttonlane.manchester.sch.uk

We are constantly updating our Twitter page, why not Tweet us and let us know what your child is getting up to at home.

<https://twitter.com/ButtonLane>

Our new Facebook page is also updated daily.
<https://www.facebook.com/Buttonlane9451965/>

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Manchester Adult Education - Parenting Support Virtual Drop-in

Wednesday 1 July at 2pm

Is your 5 year old talking non-stop or shouting every time you are trying to work or speak on the phone?

Are you feeling like a broken record because your children just don't listen?

Are they saying 'NO' to every request you are making, such as doing their school work?

Are they having more tantrums and melt-downs than usual?

If you would like to learn how to help your children with the above behaviours and more, please do come along to this supportive drop-in which will be led by a Family Learning tutor, and meet other parents who are in a similar situation to you and share your dilemmas and ideas.

Please use the link below to sign up to the drop-in session

<https://forms.gle/anBT6ptp4LPQHur18>

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.

Willow Tree - Sienna
for trying hard with
her work and bedtime
routine.

6G - Rebecca
For showing
great
perseverance.

2W - Alex
For working hard
on his English
work this week.

5E - Alicia
For great work in
forest school and her
hanging basket.

Moonbeam - Thea
For developing a
positive attitude to her
learning in school this
week.

3P - Nina
For working hard gardening
in our allotment and clear
articulate explanations in
math challenge work.

2A - David
For looking after his
sunflowers and working
incredibly hard. Miss
Abdelmawla is very
proud of you David! Well
done.

4CD - Lola
For trying really
hard with her
English work.

1G - Rowan
For coming back to
school with an
excellent attitude to
learning. Well done
Rowan!

4DB - Oliver
For contributing good ideas
and vocabulary and for
completing a super setting
description in his English
lessons.

6F - Louis
For trying hard in maths
and helping other
children in our garden
allotment!

2H - Lucas
For his brilliant fluent
in five over the last
few weeks. Lucas
has a real talent for
mental arithmetic-
keep up the hard
work Lucas! Well
done!

Sunshine - Harry
For giving 100%
to his home
learning.

3BI - Riley
For fantastic
work at home
in his
workbooks.

5M - Lilly-Belle
For settling
back in to
school really
well.

4M - Cameron
For having a
great attitude
to outdoor
learning.

1M - Harley
For counting
fluently in 2's and
10's and applying it
to his maths work.

Palm Tree - Isabella
For working hard at home
and trying her best in the
phonics, maths and
literacy activities. Keep it
up Isabella Miss Hudson-
you! Jones is very proud of

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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