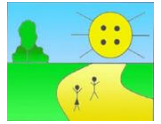


# BUTTON LANE NEWS

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2020



I would like to take this opportunity to thank our whole school community for their support this week when we have had to implement a number of changes to our normal school routine. We have had 2 class bubble closures, our school kitchen has had to close and remote learning has taken place. We appreciate your understanding that changes may be at short notice. As usual the children and staff have taken all these changes in their stride and shown great resilience, we are a fantastic team!



## Virtual Advent Calendar

Next week sees the start of December and the countdown to Christmas begins. The whole school are taking part in a virtual advent calendar, there will be a new video released on our YouTube channel every day, we are so excited to show you what we have been up to!



## Proud

Marcus Rashford will be presented with a City of Manchester award in recognition of his campaigns against child poverty throughout the Covid-19 pandemic. The award also recognises his outstanding and exceptional contribution to the city. Marcus has recently filmed a BBC documentary where he tries to better understand the effects of food poverty, some Button Lane pupils and staff took part in this documentary which will be aired on BBC one on the 21<sup>st</sup> December. We are so proud of everything Marcus has achieved and we will continue to support him in any we can.

*We are so proud of you*

## Mentoring Project

Some of our Year 5 and 6 pupils have started an exciting new mentoring project with ReachOut! Our young people have the chance to work one-to-one with their mentor to develop their Maths and English skills, character and set goals. The whole group also take part in fun character building activities together. This week our character legends were Mia in Year 6 for showing excellent staying power, and Kai in Year 5 for showing great fairness and teamwork.

**REACH OUT**  
Mentoring that works

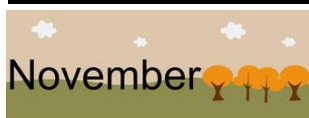
## Class 2A

Miss Abdelmawla has been so proud of her class this week. They have logged on every day for online lessons from 9am – 2pm. They have really enjoyed keeping in touch with their friends and continuing with their daily learning. Well done 2A!



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### Dates for your diaries



Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November – INSET day – School closed



1<sup>st</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> December - Virtual advent calendar

11<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas jumper day

16<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas party day, children to come in their party clothes



Family bingo



Easter craft competition



Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March – Comic Relief

### Christmas Jumpers

We will be holding our annual Christmas jumper day this year. Friends of Button Lane are currently accepting donations of old/used but in good condition jumpers that they are going to resell at a fraction of the price of a new one and then donate the proceedings to school fund. If you have any jumpers to donate, please drop them at the school office.

There is a Facebook page "Buttonlane Christmas Jumpers" where you can see what is available to buy. Thank you for your support.



### Home School Covid Agreement

Your child brought home a Covid-19 Home School Agreement last week. It is very important that we have an agreement signed for every child in school. Please read it with your child, sign it and return it to school ASAP. Thank you.

### Easy Fundraising

We have registered an account with easy fundraising, this will not cost you anything. All we ask is that if you are doing any online Christmas shopping that you go through the Easy Fundraising website to search for the retailer and they will make a donation direct to school. When searching for a cause please type 'Button Lane Primary School'.



### MUFC Shirts

This is the last week you will be able to purchase tickets for the raffle to win MUFC 2019/2020 away shirts with "Rashford" printed on the back. There are 40 shirts available to win. Tickets cost £1 and can be bought on Parent Pay. All money raised will be used to improve the school grounds for all the children to enjoy. The winners will be picked on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November. Good Luck!



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### Gallery of Good Work

Examples of good work the children have done at Button Lane Primary School.

3P - Theo  
Excellent work on  
his guided reading  
with Miss Potter.

Willow Tree - Harry  
For good work, super  
addition and knowing  
his number bonds to  
5.

4M – Alaina  
For improved  
presentation in her  
maths.

5E - The whole class  
For participating in  
'Zoom School' and  
working hard during  
isolation.

1W – Caiden  
For making a super  
effort in reading and  
writing.

3G - Kaelon  
For excellent work in  
maths, showing  
fantastic methods and  
reasoning in his jotter.

4CB - Jack  
For being a great global  
council leader and  
sharing his brilliant  
poem in the zoom  
assembly.

6F - Jessica  
For being a determined  
learner and always  
having an excellent  
attitude in everything  
that she does.

Palm Tree - Harry  
For fantastic  
inference in our  
whole class  
reading.

6G – Linhao  
For producing an  
informative  
Geography poster.

5M - Lola  
A fantastic persuasive  
letter to Sir Richard  
Branson to apply for a  
trip on his virgin  
galactic aircraft.

1G - Oliver  
For amazing  
reading and  
phonics skills.

3BT - Hannah  
For the biggest  
improvement in  
3BT TTrockstar  
score.

5LM - Samuel  
For a fantastic  
non-chronological  
report about Mars.

2H- Jack  
For completing his  
column addition  
independently.



### **Helpline Reminder**

Our helpline e-mail is still active. This e-mail was set up during lockdown so we could deal with any concerns regarding your child or any general queries you had. We have kept this e-mail active as an extra way for you to contact us and to try and keep the year group emails less congested. Please feel free to contact us on this email. Thank you.

**helpline@buttonlane.manchester.sch.uk**

### **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  
For help with online safety NSPCC Advice Line for questions about parental controls, privacy settings, apps and social media. Call 0808 800 5002, Monday to Friday, 9am to 4pm.

### **Here to Help**

If you are finding things difficult in these uncertain times Mrs Jones is always here to help. She can offer advice and support, food vouchers, breakfast packs and direct you to more support that is available. The Bideford Centre is also open for daily food parcels between 9am and 12, no appointment necessary, just turn up with a bag to fill.

**WE'RE HERE TO HELP**

### **Updated Government Guidelines**

As you are aware we are asking all parents/carers who are on the school grounds to wear a face mask. We are aware this is not a legal requirement but it is helping to keep our school safe in these very worrying times, so please do wear one unless you are exempt. We have also asked staff to wear face masks in communal areas around school.



**Please wear a face covering**

### **ClassCharts**

As we build on our capacity to deliver remote learning we have signed up to ClassCharts. Initially we will be using ClassCharts to set homework. Over the next few weeks teaching staff will set homework via ClassCharts. Class 3P have already trialled using this platform and the feedback has been very positive. We are aware that for a number of you, the ability to give your child access to a device is proving difficult and we are working with the Department of Education and the Local Authority to get support in this.



### **One Way System**

Thank you for your co-operation with the one-way system around the school grounds. Just a quick reminder that you do not have to leave the school grounds via the gate you entered through, as long as you continue to follow the one-way system you can exit the school grounds through any gate. It is important that we do not have parents/carers congregating at the school gates and that we limit the number of interactions across bubbles. Can you also please ensure that only 1 parent/adult drop off and collect to help minimise the number of adults on site.



### **Reporting Absence**

Due to the current situation it is very important that you inform us if your child is going to be absent from school. Please inform the school on the first day of absence. Please also provide plenty of detail regarding their illness, this will ensure we follow the correct procedure. You can report absence via the school app, text message (07599954928) or telephone the school office (0161 945 1965).



### **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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