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BUTTON LANE NEWS

Friday 23rd September 2022



Open Morning

We are holding an Open Morning on Tuesday 4th October. The open morning is the opportunity for parents/carers to come into school and watch their child learn in the classroom. The open morning is for children from Reception to year 6. The morning begins at 8.45am, where you are invited to join us in the dining room to take part in our Macmillan Coffee Morning, you will have the chance to support this amazing charity by purchasing cakes and enjoy and a cup of tea/coffee and a chat with staff. At 9.30am, you will then be able to go to your child's classroom to watch their learning. The morning finishes at 10.15am. If you have children in different year groups, you will be able to split your time between their classes. We are really looking forward to this event and hope you can join us!



Breakfast and After School Club

Unfortunately, Due to the increase in costs recently we have had to review the price of our Breakfast Club and After School Club. In order for school to afford to carry on providing this facility, we need to increase the price for both services. We have contacted other local schools to ensure our prices are in line with the rest of the community. The price increase will take affect from Monday 31st October. The new cost will be £2 for Breakfast Club and £10 for After School Club. We have not made this decision lightly and understand this a significant increase. If you wish to pay for Breakfast Club or After School Club through tax free child care, you would receive 20% towards your cost. If you have any questions please contact the school office.

Sports News

The final race of the cross-country competition took place on Wednesday. Once again, Mr Walker was so pleased with the children and their performance. We are still waiting for the results; we will let you know as soon as we have them.



It is a busy week next week for football competitions.
We have a competition at Brooklands Dixons Academy on Monday and one at St Pauls High School on Tuesday. They take place after school, all support is



Pupil Leadership

We have now received all the applications from our year 6 pupils for the Pupil Leadership roles. Thank you to all the pupils who applied, we had some fantastic letters and have thoroughly enjoyed going through them. The interviews are taking place on Monday 26th September and we will be announcing the successful applicants next week. Watch this space for the results!

New Term Meetings

The year 6 New Term Meeting will take place on Monday 26th September. This is an opportunity to visit your child's class and meet the staff. Information will be shared on the curriculum and expectations.

The meeting will run from 3pm – 3.30pm.

We hope you can join us.

Year 6 - Monday 26th September

Friends of Button Lane (FOBL)

The next Friends of Button Lane meeting will take place on Wednesday 28th September from 8.45am. FOBL is made up of parents and staff, who come together to organise fundraising and events for the pupils at Button Lane. Everyone is welcome and we are in need of new members to bring enthusiasm and fresh ideas. Please come along, share your ideas, enjoy a brew and a chat and meet new people.

Everyone is Welcome

Dates for your diaries



Week beginning 26th September – Big Green Week Tuesday 27th September – Reception & year 6 height and weight check



Black history month

Monday 3rd October – Individual school photographs
Tuesday 4th October – Macmillan Coffee Morning
Wednesday 5th October – National Teachers Day
Friday 7th October – Smile day
Monday 10th October - Mental Health Day
Thursday 20th October – Harvest Festival

Parent App

We still have some parents/carers who have not yet signed up for Parent App. The app is our main source of communicating with parents/carers about everything that is happening within school so it is very important that you sign up. If you need help to sign up, please contact the school office, who will be happy to help.



ParentPay

We are a cashless school, this means that all payments to school need to be made via ParentPay. If you have not got a ParentPay account please contact the school office and they will send you your registration details.



September 2023 High School Places

The Secondary 2023 application round has opened to Manchester City Council residents. This is for children whose date of birth falls between 01/09/2011 - 31/08/2012.

Parents can make their online application through the portal on the Council's website:

https://parentportal.manchester.gov.uk/web/portal/pages/home Paper application forms are also available from the school office.

The closing date for applications is Monday 31st October 2022.

We are holding an open morning on Thursday 29th September, 9am – 10am in our ICT suite, for parents to come into school and complete the high school online applications. Staff will be on hand to help if you require help with the process.

Apply Now

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 - 00 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.

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.

<u>Attendance</u>

Due to the impact Covid had on attendance, we have treated attendance very differently for the last 2 years. This year there will be a significant focus on attendance.

We are launching a brand new themed reward system next week and our target for attendance will return to 97% or above.

Well done to class 6M who were the only class this week to reach our target with an amazing 97.3%.

The whole class has been rewarded with an extra playtime!



