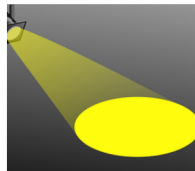




BALSHAW LANE NEWSLETTER

We were so excited to have Sir Lindsey Hoyle visit school last Friday to take a special assembly and for our children to take part in a Q&A session. Following on from Miss Baxendale's invitation to read our year 6 balanced argument letters about the use of social media, we were chosen to help promote the new Mr Men book about a visit to Big Ben. We are delighted to share our love of reading via Granada Reports and in the Lancashire Evening Post! The children were absolutely amazing and we are all so proud of them.



Spotlight this week on Transition.

We really enjoyed our Moving Up morning last week with teachers getting to know their new class and for the children to work with their new staff teams. What did each year group get up to?

Our new reception had an opportunity to explore the classroom and outdoor area for the first time and get to know the staff a little better ready for September.

Our new year 1 read the story "Betsy Buglove Saves the Bees," created their own bee collage for a display in September and spent time getting busy in provision.

Our new year 2 read the story "The Koala Who Could" and created their own Can Do display for September. They also did lots of "Can Do" challenges.

Our new year 3 shared the picture book "The Dot" and created some artwork based on this for a classroom display in September.

Our new year 4 designed their own Change poem and completed a piece of artwork based on the work of Matisse.

Our new year 5 completed a treasure hunt around school, collecting the treasure (a range of skills which will be useful in year 5!) They talked about the things they are looking forward to next year and created positive affirmation art pieces to display in the classroom.

Our new year 6 explored black history through art in the style of Jean-Michel Basquiat. They created graffiti style versions of their names for a classroom display and also discussed all the exciting opportunities and experiences they will embark on during their year 6 journey.

Messages

Uniform Reminder

Please find attached a copy of our uniform policy for September. Just a reminder that all polo shirts should be white from then on and only grey or white socks/tights for girls.

We do have quite a bit of pre-loved uniform, please let us know if you require anything.

Please ensure children aren't wearing jewellery for school except analogue watches and stud earrings. Trainers should only be worn with PE kits. Thank you.

PTFA Festival

We are so excited to be holding our first Balshaw Lane Festival. We hope all our families can support the event. The whole school is singing at 7:45pm - an event not to be missed. It sounds amazing!

Please see facebook post for all the information.



Headteacher Awards

Congratulations to all the children who received a Headteacher Award in assembly.

RA Hazel
RH Callista
1A Logan
1T Leia
2HP Grayson
2M Louis
3B Arthur KB
3J Freddie C
4G Rowan
4W George
5B Noe
5H Amber
6C Kian
6B Artur



Team Points

The winners last week were:

DRAGONS



Attendance and Punctuality

Whole School Attendance for this academic year is: 95.6%.

Well done to 1T, 1A, 2HP, 3B, 6C and 6B for all being on time this week. AMAZING!

	R A	R H	1T	1A	2 H P	2 M	3 B	3J	4 G	4 W	5 B	5 H	6 C	6 B
Attendance for last week	97 %	92 %	97 %	93 %	99 %	99 %	96 %	100 %	93 %	96 %	99 %	97 %	94 %	98 %
Punctuality - how many lates?	2	4	0	0	0	4	0	1	1	3	1	2	0	0

Balshaw Lane Holiday Club

Places are still available for our very own Holiday Club.
It will be running weeks beginning 10th and 17th of August, Monday to Thursday, from 8:30am until 4:00pm.
High quality care in familiar surroundings with staff who the children know.
We have a range of fun and exciting activities designed to meet the children's needs.
Booking are open - please contact the school office if you would like to book a place.

Dates for this term

JULY

6th to 8th

Thursday 9th

Friday 10th

Wk beginning 13th

Monday 13th

Tuesday 14th

Wed 15th

Fri 17th

Monday 20th

Tuesday 21st

Thursday 23rd

Friday 24th

Y6 Residential to Patterdale

NSPCC workshops for Y2/5/6

Y5 MAT Sports Day at Parklands NEW DATE

PTFA Summer Festival

Aspirations Week

Balshaw's Got Talent Final

Y6 Production 2pm and 6pm

Rocksteady Concert Wed group

Rocksteady Concert Fri group

End of year reports to parents sent out

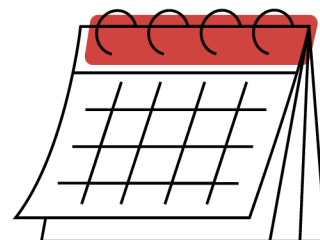
Non-uniform Day - charity fundraiser NEW EVENT

Optional Parents Evening - only for those with questions after reports are sent out.

Y6 Leavers' Disco

Leavers' Assembly 9:15am

Break up for summer holidays



Non-uniform Day

On Friday 17th July we are holding a non-uniform day to raise funds for Manchester and Preston Children's Hospital. This is to support one of our families with a child in reception. The family have had to spend a large amount of time at both hospitals with their little girl and would like to give something back. They would like to help the resus and trauma section of the hospitals and help other families when they need to use this facility. I am sure you will agree, this is such a worthwhile cause. Their daughter Ava in reception is needing to undergo further surgery in July so we would like to hold our non-uniform day on Friday 17th July as this is Ava's last day in school before the summer holiday. Ava would like everyone to come in bright colours like the rainbow. We will be taking cash as this raises the most amount of money. All proceeds will be donated to Manchester and Preston Children's Hospitals. Thank you so much if you are able to support.

