

BOURTON MEADOW ACADEMY

NEWS LETTER



Friday 15th September 2023

OUR NEW LIBRARY



It is so wonderful for the children to have this fantastic new library to enjoy, full of beautiful, brand new books in a serene and magical woodland setting!

The library refurbishment and all the new books have been completely funded by Friends of Bourton Meadow. The beautiful wall mural is the magical work of one of our talented school parents - Sarah Henderson.

All of the children will get to enjoy the library, each class will have a time slot every week. We hope they all love it as much as we do!



This Week's Attendance

Reception	97.9%
Year 1	95.0%
Year 2	99.5%
Year 3	98.2%
Year 4	93.3%
Year 5	96.3%
Year 6	96.1%

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After School Clubs

The after school clubs GO LIVE this Sunday evening at 8pm.

Please book via Parentmail PMX.

Thank you

YEAR 1



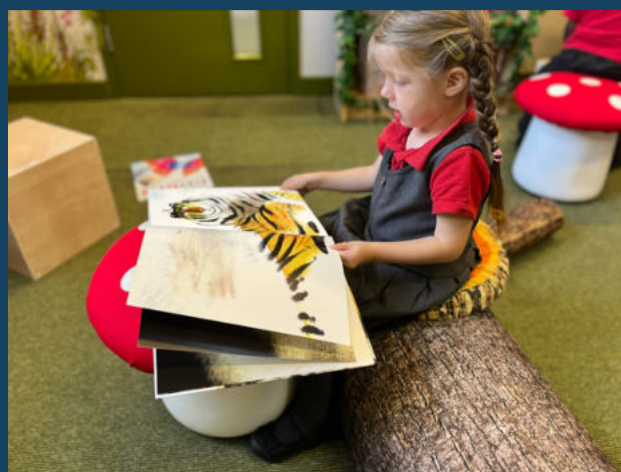
In Year 1 we are learning about toys this term. This week to engage with our English text "Dogger", we have been making and designing a range of toys and games. We had so much fun making Forky from Toy Story 4.



Nursery



The Nursery children have been enjoying stories, and looking at the books in our new library this week.





This week we have been delving into our new book 'The wild girl'. The children have been thinking about how a girl survives in the wild stone age time and seeing if they have what it takes to be wild boys and girls themselves.

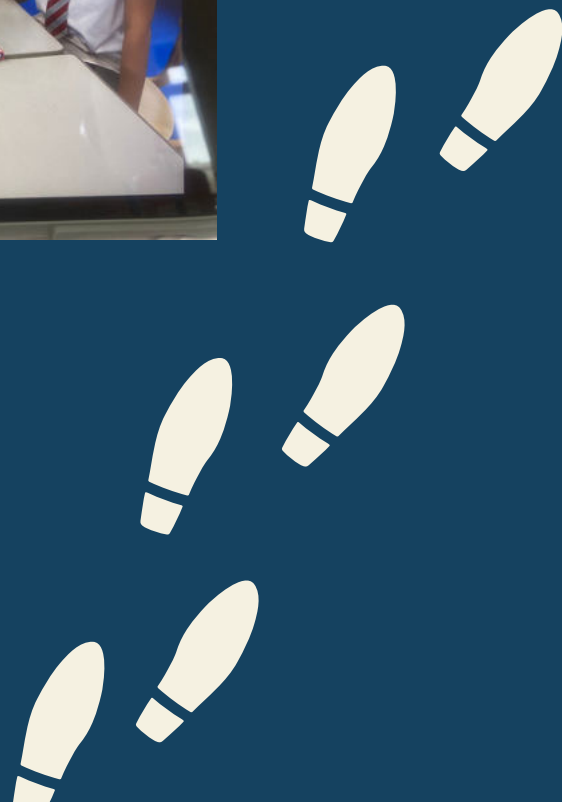


Year 4

Detectives

In English on Monday, the children were detectives for a lesson and had to look at the clues on the tables to figure out what we would be writing about. There was a hat, a wand, spells and potions, a spell book, white gloves, a photo and a newspaper headline. The children did a great job of thinking about what we were going to base our writing on!

Can you work out what our writing will be based on?



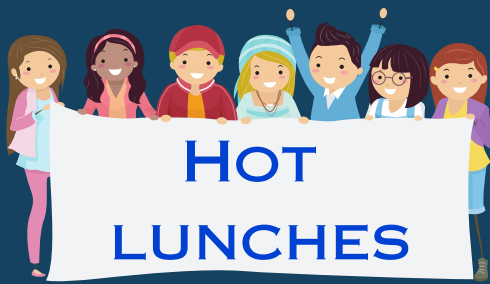
Sofia's TV Appearance

Sofia (5LO) has had a great time filming as an extra on Eastenders throughout the summer.



She enjoyed spotting herself on screen last night when her first scene was aired. Her next episode will be on screen in October.





Please make sure you book your child's hot lunch choices on Parentmail. You can book ahead for the whole Autumn term.



Please make sure you have completed a new Healthcare plan for your child for the new academic year. If your child requires any medication, please make sure it has been returned to school.



Be
HEALTHY
eat
HEALTHY



Please provide your child with a small healthy snack for break time. We recommend a piece of fruit or cereal bar, not crisps and chocolate. Some of the snacks are too big, resulting in the children not wanting to eat their lunch.



Dear all,

I hope you all had a lovely summer break.

If you follow us on Facebook, you will have seen the pictures of the new school library which was opened this week. It's a truly wonderful space for the children to enjoy for years to come and we're thrilled that we were able to provide the furniture and books with funds raised from last years fundraising efforts. One of our main goals is to raise money that can be put back into the school to benefit the children, and it's wonderful to see projects become a reality.

As you will be aware from my message in July, the FoBM AGM is being held next Wednesday 20th September at 8pm. It will be held virtually to enable as many people as possible to attend. If you are interested in attending, please drop an email to friends@bourtonmeadow.co.uk to be sent the link.

The current committee have all been in post for between 2-6 years and this year, for a variety of reasons, the majority of them will be stepping down. At the AGM we need new people to fill the roles of Chair, Treasurer, Secretary and committee members – if this does not happen the PTA will be dissolved following the AGM and there will be no further fundraising for the school or events and activities for the children.

I really hope that there are enough people willing to take up these roles and continue the work that previous volunteers have done for the past 13+ years however, as it stands currently, although we have had a few people request info on becoming a committee member (thank you!), the roles of Chair, Treasurer and Secretary all look to remain vacant. These positions will need to be filled at the AGM for the PTA to continue.

I have attached a brief document with more information about what is required from each of the roles but more than anything, what those involved in FoBM really need is a passion to want to make a difference and a can-do attitude. Everything else has a way of falling in to place if you're committed to making it happen. The roles aren't anything to be intimidated by and can definitely be learned 'on the job' (I speak from experience!). There will also be a full and thorough handover from the outgoing committee.

If you are interested in any of the roles, have any questions, or would like to register your interest to attend the AGM please drop me an email at friends@bourtonmeadow.co.uk. The link for the meeting will be issued to those who have requested it nearer the time.

Best wishes,
Charmaine
Chair – Friends of Bourton Meadow



SOCIAL MEDIA

We have updated our social media platforms. Below are the new details for Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. We have also launched our new website.



Please add, follow, and like, to see more about what's happening, and keep yourself up to date with the school activities.



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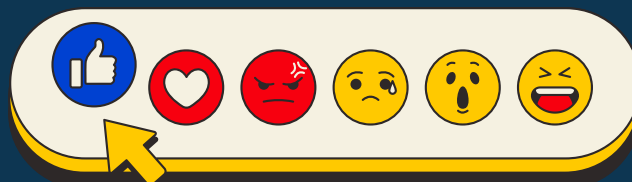
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Bourton Meadow Academy & Nursery



www.bourtonmeadow.co.uk





Please DO NOT allow your children to play on the school equipment or MUGA before or after school. We have had a number of incidents where children have been hurt and we are not insured for children to be using the equipment out of school hours unsupervised.

Thank you



social Media

Just a gentle reminder that most social media platforms have a minimum age attached. Please check your childrens' phones and devices to remove any unwanted apps.



Headlice

Please check your child's hair!

We have had a number of headlice cases across the school. If you find any unwanted visitors, please treat accordingly, remembering to re-treat after 2 weeks.

All girls with long hair MUST have their hair tied up for school to stop the spread.



**TIME TO
UPDATE**



If you have recently moved, got a new phone number or if any of your personal details have changed, please let the school office know so that your records can be updated.

Thank you



Hot Lunches

Please remember to book your child's lunch choices in advance to avoid disappointment. Payment can be made via Parentmail.



Many Thanks

Kitchen Team



PARKING

We would like to remind you that when dropping off and picking up your children you park safely and not on corners. Also, please DO NOT park in the Drop off area or remove the cones. Thank you.



contact us!



office@bourtonmeadow.co.uk



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Bourton Meadow Academy

When contacting teachers please use these Year group E-mail addresses. Please **DO NOT** use direct school e-mail addresses.

Thank you

Year Group e-mail addresses:

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Friends of Bourton Meadow PTA



Pre-Loved School Uniform Shop

Opening Times

Monday 8:50am – 9:10am

3:00pm – 3:15pm

Friday 8:50am – 9:10am

Price List

Shirts and PE t-shirts.....	50p
Trousers, shorts, skirts & <u>dresses</u>	£1
Jumpers & cardigans.....	£1
Ties (pre-loved / new).....	£1 / £4.10
PE shorts, joggers and jumpers.....	£1
Logo items (e.g. body warmers, book bags etc.).....	£2
Blazers (priced based on condition).....	£5-£10

If you need items from the shop but cannot make the usual opening times, please email friends@bourtonmeadow.co.uk, telling us what you need, the size and quantity, along with your child's name and class.



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**Saturday morning
08.45 to 09.30 or
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please e-mail buckingham.weekend.juniors@gmail.com**

Your child will benefit in many ways:

- They'll have fun whilst being active and learning something new.
- They'll learn the fundamental skills to play squash.
 - They'll develop hand-eye co-ordination, footwork and racquet skills.
- They'll have an opportunity to make friends outside of school.
 - The sessions boost confidence and encourages them to be active.

Play Squash in Buckingham: www.buckingham-squash-club.co.uk



11th September 2023

Dear Parent / Carer,

Open Evening for Year 7 Admission in September 2024
Thursday 21st September 2023, 16:30 – 19:30

We would like to take this opportunity to invite all prospective parents/carers and children for Year 7 September 2024 admission, to our Open Evening, which will take place on Thursday 21st September 2023 from 16:30 until 19:30.

The evening will consist of three sessions; the first session is a tour only for those short on time. Student Peer Mentors will then take you around the School, visiting each curriculum area. There will be presentations, displays of work and a range of interactive and fun activities for your child to engage in across the curriculum. There will be an opportunity to meet the staff, our students, see our facilities and sample our caterer's food in our dining room. The two later sessions (17:00 & 18:00) will commence with a Headteacher's talk, followed by a tour of the School. All tours are expected to last approximately one hour.

All tours will pass through outdoor areas, regardless of weather conditions. In the event of rain, you may wish to bring an umbrella with you!

There are limited tickets available for each option and due to capacity, we are limiting tickets to a maximum of 4 per family. A ticket will need to be booked for each attendee, including children. To book your place, please click on the link to below to book your place for one of the following options:

16:30 – 17:30:- Tour Only

17:00 – 18:30:- Headteacher's address followed by a tour of the School

18:00 – 19:30:- Headteacher's address followed by a tour of the School

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-buckingham-school-open-evening-tickets-676502175217>

Should you have any issues with booking your tickets, please email marketing@buckinghamschool.org who will be able to assist.

Please arrive no more than 15 minutes before the start time of the session you have booked for and upon arrival, please have your QR code/s open on your mobile phone, or printed, ready to be scanned. We will need to scan the QR code for each ticket booked.

Limited parking is available at the school, or alternatively additional parking is available at the neighbouring Swan Pool Sports Centre, which is pay and display (free parking from 5pm onwards).

We are very excited to be able to open our doors and welcome you to our fantastic school. We look forward to seeing you on 21st September 2023 and hope that you have an informative and enjoyable evening.

Yours faithfully,

Mr M Wardle
Lead Deputy Headteacher

"Buckingham, Buckingham, Let down your hair..."



Buckingham Community Pantomime will be staging

RAPUNZEL

18th, 19th and 20th January 2024

Young people in Year 5 and 6 are invited to join our Junior Chorus. To find out more, please come to our Open Day and Auditions on

SUNDAY 17th SEPTEMBER

The Community Centre,
Buckingham
from 1pm



At 1pm important show information will be given out to all, after which children and those interested in chorus will be asked to learn a group song and dance to get a feel for the show (nothing needs preparing in advance). Children will then be free to go, although can stay to watch individual auditions for principal parts if they so wish.

All young people under 18 should be accompanied by a parent/guardian for the duration of their audition during which measurements and photographs may be taken for costumes



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POPPETS | AGES 4-5 | 9:45 - 11:30
AKELEY WOOD SENIOR SCHOOL, MK18 5AE

TO BOOK YOUR FREE SPACE
Contact Principal Ryan on:
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or visit pqacademy.com

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