

BUCKTON VALE NEWSLETTER

Summer Term 2 JUNE 2023

Welcome...

Welcome back everyone!

What a lovely few weeks of beautiful weather we have had. I hope you all had a lovely half-term holiday.

This half-term we can't wait for the end of year production for Y6 as well as the Enterprise and we also have Robinwood to look forward to. School trips for some children are planned and we are also looking forward to our school Summer Fare on Friday July 21st at 3:15PM-6.PM.

I have had a lovely time starting to prepare the school gardens for vegetable patches this week. Thank you to those children who have chosen to help. Next week, new soil will arrive ready to prepare the garden beds. Do any of you have any vegetables you grow that you could donate? I have some that I have grown at home, but we are in need of more tomatoes, cabbages, carrots, onions, beetroots, peas, broad beans and any type of herbs. It is hoped that planting them a little late will mean they are ready for us in September so we can cook them all. This will support our design technology and science curriculums and the children love it!

Thank you for your continued support of Buckton Vale. As ever, if you have any feedback about the things we are doing, please email admin@bucktonvale.tameside.sch.uk

Have a great weekend, Mrs Brown



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to our year 6 on the completion of the SATs. We are so proud of you!

What our classes are doing this term:

Next term in Reception our theme will be 'Pirates'. Our class text will be 'Knock, Knock Pirate.' by Caryl Hart and we will discuss where we would like to travel to if we had our own ship and a life on the ocean waves. We will continue to answer the questions 'Who is my hero and what do they do?' looking at how everyday heroes like Police Officers keep us safe day to day. We will look at the artist Giuseppe Arcimboldo and how he used fruit and vegetable to create amazing artwork. We will continue to develop our physical skills in readiness for our 'Sports Day' and our resilience and confidence as we prepare for transition to Year One.

In maths, we will tell the time to the hour and half past the hour and explore place value up to 100. In English, we will continue to write narratives and develop our comprehension skills in reading. In Science, we will spend lots of time outdoors to explore our topic 'Plants'. We will identify a variety of common wild and garden plants and describe the basic structure of flowers and trees. In Design and Technology, we will try different fruits and vegetables and create our own smoothies.

Social skills will continue to be an important part of our year 1 curriculum. This half term we will focus on friendships and the transition to Year 2.

This half term, we will be focusing on telling the time and statistics (such as tally charts and pictograms) in our maths sessions. In English, we will be reading Fantastic Mr Fox by Roald Dahl to inspire our writing. We will be creating Wanted Posters and Non-chronological Reports. Children will explore habitats and living things in science. In art, we will work with paints and collage.

In our PE sessions we will be focusing on Athletics. We will continue our learning about the Victorians in our History lessons, focusing on the life of Mary Anning. We will continue to learn about Esafety in computing.

In music, we will be having sessions with Mr Chesterman, our choral singing specialist. Our RE topic is 'How do we celebrate special and sacred times?', which will run over the whole Summer term.

This term year 3 will be continuing with our class book The Abominables, we will be turning ourselves into newspaper reporters to investigate the disappearance of Lady Agatha and write our report. In maths we are exploring money, time, shape and statistics. We will be exploring electricity in science and will enjoy lots of practical lessons creating circuits. This term is a busy one where we will take part in sports day, we have a visit from the Halle orchestra to enhance our final science topic sound and music lessons. We are also looking forward to our trip to the sculpture park linked to our art topic of 3D sculptures. Finally, we will be visiting our year 4 class and teacher and starting to look forward to next year.

In English,we will be reading the novel Malamander and writing letters and setting descriptions based on this.

In Maths, we will continue our work on decimals before moving onto work on money and time

Our topic this half term is North America. We will also complete our electricity unit in Science before moving onto sound.

Year 4/5

Wow I can't believe we are in our final term. It will be another very busy term. We will continue to follow Marinka as we read 'The House with Chicken Legs.' We have already produced some great poems and will be working on a descriptive narrative and creating an information file about our very own 'Chicken House'. In science Year 4 will finish learning about liquids and solids before exploring sound. Year 5s will be moving on to evolution. In History we will keep exploring Ancient Egypt and touch base in South America. Art this half term will be linked to sculptures. In PE we are working on our athletic skills ready for the yearly sports day!

This term in Juniper class our class novel is 'The Explorer' by Kathrine Rundell. The children will be learning about Evolution and Inheritance in science. Our Geography topic this term is water cycle where they will explore the water on our planet and identify different water bodies. In maths, we will be learning about decimals, shapes, negative numbers and converting units. In art the children will be exploring different sculptures.

Year 6 are busy preparing for their final few weeks at Buckton Vale. We have lots of exciting things planned including: Stitch Day, Enterprise and an end of year production. The children are also completing transition units in preparation for high school.

Summer Heat Reminders:

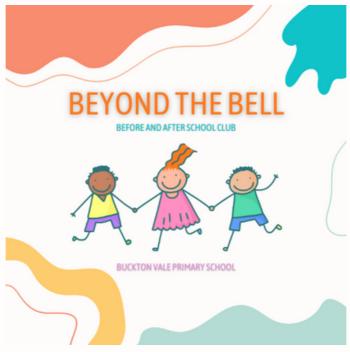
As we are basking in the joys of summer please can we politely remind all parents/carers/guardians to send your child in to school with suncream, that is properly labelled, a hat, a water bottle and



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Before and After School Provision!



Dear Parents and Carers,

As part of our ongoing commitment to providing an exceptional educational experience, we are excited to introduce our new Beyond the Bell - Provision for before and after school. We are thrilled to share this exciting development with you, as we believe it will greatly benefit both your children and our school community.

Our dedicated team has worked tirelessly to create a bespoke offer that goes beyond traditional school hours, aiming to inspire and support your children in their learning journey. We are confident that this provision will add tremendous value to your child's overall educational experience.

We believe that by providing this new before and after school option, we are further enriching our educational environment and ensuring that every child receives the best possible support and opportunities. We encourage you to take full advantage of this offer.

If you have any questions or would like further information about the Beyond the Bell - Provision, please do not hesitate to contact us.

BeyondTheBell@Bucktonvale.tameside.sch.uk

We look forward to welcoming you.

Mrs Brown



"A rich learning experience to have fun, play and learn before and after the bell has gone."

- To provide a facility that meets the needs of those attending the club.
- To provide a facility that meets the needs of working parents.
- To ensure that children are cared for in an environment that is safe and happy.
- To provide a range of activities to children that are interesting, stimulating and fun.
- To provide opportunities and activities which enhance children's self-esteem and selfimage.





SESSION	TIMES	FEES
MORNING	8:00AM- 9:00 AM	£3.50
AFTERNOON 1	3:15PM-4:15PM	£3.50
AFTERNOON 2	3:15PM-5:15PM	£7.00
AFTERNOON 3	3:15PM-5:45PM	£9.00

If you need any further information regarding the club or how to access your login details, please speak to a school office staff member who will be more than happy to help.

PLEASE BE AWARE THAT THERE WILL BE AN ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF £20 PER CHILD FOR PARENTS/CARERS WHO REPEATEDLY COLLECT THEIR CHILD LATE.



Parents are asked to book and pay in advance for a place for their child to attend the club via the online booking system, Eduspot/School Money (this is the same platform used for paying for school trips etc). Places are available for both the morning and afternoon club and can be booked for an hour in the morning and for one, two or two and a half hours in the evening or a mixture of both.

Bookings can be made up until 11 am on Friday morning for the following week but please be aware that there is limited availability and so places will be allocated on a first come first served basis. Please contact the school office if you require any assistance booking, 01457 833102





All payments for the club must be made in advance via Eduspot/School money website. We also accept childcare vouchers. Please speak to the school office for more information on accessing either of these payment options.

CLUB CLUB

The breakfast club will open at 8:00 am every school day during term time and is situated in a dedicated room in the main school building. Children should be dropped off by parents/carers at the main school gates facing the school office. The latest entry to the club will be 8:30am.

Whilst at the club children will be offered a range of breakfast items such as cereals, toast and bagels and be provided with drinks such as water or milk. Any child with special dietary requirements will be catered for, please inform the school office if this option is required.

Children can also choose from a wide range of games to play with whilst attending the club. Once the bell has been rung for school, children will line up with their classmates outside ready to begin their day.





AFTER SCHOOL CLUB 900d

At 3:15 pm children will attend the club. KS2 children will be able to walk from their classroom to the club, and KS1 children will be picked up from their classroom by a member of staff. If a child is attending any enrichment activities provided by the school, they will be brought to the club by their teacher. A healthy snack will be provided for all children attending the club and any special dietary requirements will be catered for.

Whilst at the club, children will have a wide range of activities to choose from such as arts and crafts, sports, reading or Lego, and being able to play outside when the weather permits.

The afternoon sessions end at 4:15 pm, 5:15 pm and 5:45 pm. Parents/Carers can collect their child from the main school gates facing the school office at their prearranged time, only parents/carers on the agreed collection list will be allowed to collect children from the club.





Accidents and Illnesses

If a child falls ill or has an accident at the club, parents/carers will be contacted as soon as possible. A qualified member of staff will give first aid if needed. Please ensure that all emergency contact details held by the school are up to date along with any of the child's medical information.

Medications

Staff are only able to administer medications that have been prescribed by a doctor if a signed written consent form has been handed into the school office.

Behaviour and Discipline

While attending the club, children are expected to treat other children and staff respectfully and courteously. Any behaviour issues will be discussed with parents/carers in the first instance and a school behaviour policy is in place.

Child Protection

We take child protection very seriously and any suspected abuse will be reported to social services and the local safeguarding board immediately.

Equal Opportunities

We operate an equal opportunities policy which applies to all staff and children. Copies of the policy can be found on the school website.

Complaints

If you feel the need to make a complaint, please speak to the club leader in the first instance. Any further complaints, or those of a more serious nature, can then be referred to the headteacher of Buckton Vale Primary School: Mrs D. Brown.



Thank you for joining us for our annual sports day. It was great to see the children, and parents having a wonderful time.









Enrichment Opportunities

Here is our Enrichment offer for this half-term. You will notice more varied activities. This is in response to some feedback from the children and some parents about 'other types of clubs.

The payment option for these clubs will open at 4pm this afternoon.

We are sure you are all going to love it!

We are looking forward to welcoming the children to the clubs next week.

Enrichment Provision Summer 2 Term									
After School Clubs 3:15pm until 4:15pm	Club available	Leader	Year Group	No. of places	Start date (First session)	End date (Last session)	Cost per Week	Total Cost	
Monday	Rounders	Mrs Quinn	Upper Key Stage 2 (Years 5 and 6)	20	19th June 2023	17th July 2023	£3.50	£17.50	
Monday	Dance	Mrs Lister	Lower Key Stage 2 (Years 3 and 4)	20	19th June 2023	17th July 2023	£3.50	£17.50	
Monday	Football	Active Tameside	Key Stage 1 / Lower Key Stage 2 (Year 1, 2 and 3)	30	19th June 2023	17th July 2023	€3.50	£17.50	
Tuesday	Football	Mrs Blake and Miss Ingram	Lower and Upper Key Stage (Years 4, 5 and 6)	30	20th June 2023	18th July 2023	£3.50	£17.50	
Thursday	Story and Craft Time	Miss Woodhous e	Year 1	20	21st June 2023	20th July 2023	£3.50	£17.50	
Friday	Art	Mrs Brown	Key Stage 1 (Years 1 and 2)	20	22nd June 2023	21st July 2023	£3.50	£17.50	

Year 1 Trip to Smithills Open Farm

On Thursday 25th May, Year 1 Beech Class went to Smithills Open Farm as part of their science topic 'Animals Including Humans'.

They had a wonderful day filled with activities. In the morning they fed the animals, went on a very bumpy tractor ride and rode a donkey. After lunch, they held and stroked a variety of animals such as chicks, bunnies, baby goats and an owl. The baby emus running around were certainly a surprise! They also watched the cows being milked.

The children followed rules and instructions given by the farm staff and were very gentle with the animals. We were all so proud of them







CELEBRATIONS...





FOOTBALL

Huge congratulations
to Year 6 who won the
Carrington Cup! A
great deal of effort was
made by both year 6
and year 4 at the
tournament, and
representing Buckton
Vale. We are proud of
you all!

SWIMMING

Huge congratulations to our Buckton Vale swimmers who won the Copley heat of the primary schools swimming gala. Good luck in the final on the 4th July!





British Science Week

Well done to all the children who entered this year's poster competition. The winners received their certificates and prizes in the achievement assembly. Below are the winning posters from Holly (UKS2), Felix (LKS2) and Bella (KS1). They all had great ideas that linked to the theme of 'Connections' and included collage, ICT, lift the flaps and scientific facts!



HOLLY UPKS2



FELIX LKS2



BELLA KS1

SUMMER FAIR

Friends of Buckton Vale are excited to invite you to this years summer fair on Friday 21st July.

From 3:15pm until 6pm.

You can expect bouncy castles, stalls and a bar. More details to follow but please put this date in your diaries. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible.





Things to do in our area...









IMPORTANT DATES:

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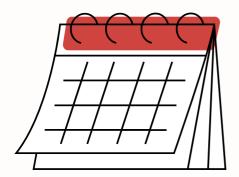
Monday 12th June School reopens

Monday 12th to 16th June Year 1 Phonics Screening Check

Monday 19th June Reception Sports Day 2pm

Tuesday 20th June KS1 Sports Day 2pm

Wednesday 21st June KS2 Sports Day 1:30pm



JULY

Thursday 6th July Moving Up Day
Thursday 6th July Reception Induction afternoon
Thursday 6th July Tameside Secondary Transition Day 1
Friday 7th July Tameside Secondary Transition Day 2
Friday 14th - 16th July Year 6 Weekend Visit to Robin- wood
FRIDAY 21st July - SUMMER FAIR 3.15-6pm
Year 6 performance- 25th July - performances at 2pm and
5pm

Wednesday 26th July Special Achiever Assembly 2.30pm
Thursday 27th July Year 6 Leavers assembly 1:30pm
Friday 28th July Teacher Training Day - school closed
School closes for summer holidays Friday 28th July

Fur-real Cat News!

Although our local neighbourhood cat, Ronald, is trying to make friends with the children at Buckton Vale, please be aware that there have been a few incidents where he has scratched the children when they stroke him. Please can we ask that you are mindful of this and ask your children not to stroke Ronald. He hasn't quite mastered how to high five the children just yet! Thank you.





Our Trust

"As we are a rapidly evolving medium sized Trust this gives schools that join us an opportunity to have a key role in helping to shape the future development of our Trust. One of the key elements of our vision is to have a symbiotic relationship between the Trust and the schools who join us in that they can access our services and we can benefit from the schools in our Victorious family sharing the expertise they have.

Collaboration is at the heart of everything we do across all areas and roles, not just teaching. Our vision is to grow our Trust from within, providing opportunities for existing staff to support and lead the schools alongside welcoming new expertise and innovation to ensure we are constantly developing."

Karen Burns Chief Executive Officer

Victorious Trust Values

Inspiring – Encouraging all to be as creative and motivating as possible;

Discovering – Seeking opportunities to expand knowledge and experience;

Caring – Providing support and guidance for the whole Trust community;

Improving – Striving to better ourselves at all times; and Achieving – Teaching to attain aspirational targets.



SAFE SCHOOL PARKING



School Keep Clear markings mean no stopping during the time and days specified on adjacent or nearby signs. The markings help prevent vehicles from parking near or in front of school entrances, to ensure safe access for children and parents.

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Children's Medication Procedure

A polite reminder to all parents.



We are only permitted to administer medication to your child if this is prescribed by the Doctor, and contains a prescription instruction label.

Medication forms must be filled in at the School Office for medications to be administered in school.

Any medications not containing a prescription label, will need to be administered by the parent.

This can be done by arranging with the School Office to visit the school.

Thank you

Message from Dolce Catering

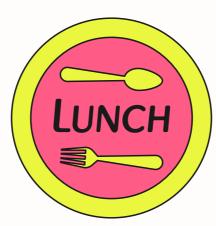
Notice for parents who have children with special dietary requirements:

Prior to Dolce undertaking any bespoke menu creation, any parent or guardian of a child with a specific medical condition that relates to food will have to provide medical evidence to illustrate the need for the specific menu creation. This must be submitted to Dolce in the form of an official medical letter from the child's registered doctor or medical advisor, such as a dietitian. Dolce will hold this information centrally for records purposes. Forms/Letters should be sent directly to Dolce using email louise.oldham@dolce.co.uk

Once Dolce have received the information, they can go through a new meal plan with you.

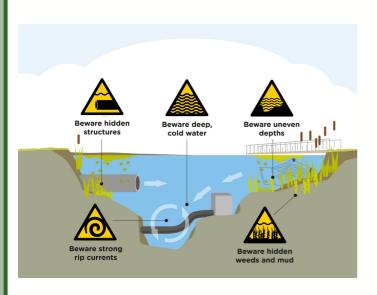
Reminder for children to have healthy snacks only. NO nuts allowed please.







Water Safety



Please remind children of the dangers of swimming in open waters during these hot summer days. There are lots of hidden dangers, and although children want to have fun, it is paramount that they keep safe and are aware of the dangers.

Lunch Menu:



Lunch costs will be £2.55 from 1st April 2023

Equipment Drop Offs

Please can parents ensure equipment is sent into school when the children arrive rather than dropping off during the day. This puts pressure on the office.

Contact Details:

Headteacher: Mrs. Deborah Brown Tel No. 01457 833102 admin@bucktonvale.tameside.sch.uk

Deputy Headteacher: Mrs. Kelly Quinn **Assistant Headteacher:** Mrs. Dawn Lister

Pastoral Care: Mrs. Leanne Frankish lfrankish@victoriousacademies.org