



**COVID Updates**

I just want to take this opportunity to say well done to the children, staff and parents...we have made it to the end of what has been a very difficult term. Whilst we have not been able to invite you into school like we normally do, the children have been able to enjoy a range of Christmas celebrations including parties, a pantomime and a fun Christmas Santa Dash to end the term.

I hope you all have a relaxing and peaceful Christmas and are able to celebrate with family and friends. Unfortunately, we are uncertain what the New Year will bring but we hope that the COVID virus is under more control soon.

Thank you again for your continued support  
Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.  
Mrs Brown

**With Many Thanks**



We would like to thank everyone who supported the Poppy Appeal this year. We are extremely proud to reveal that the grand total raised was £736.85 This is almost double what was raised by our school last year.

Also, a massive thank you to our Friends of Buckton Vale. They have funded the Christmas parties for the whole school, topped up our Dojo shop prizes and purchased presents for every child too. We cannot thank them enough for their support. Their AGM was postponed in November due to a Covid outbreak but they will be planning another on in the New Year. Anyone interested in helping the PTA, please contact Michelle on 07722 919543, alternatively email school on [admin@bucktonvale.tameside.sch.uk](mailto:admin@bucktonvale.tameside.sch.uk) and your details will be passed on.

**Stars of the Week**

Stars of the week will still be announced in class every Monday, until we can resume the assemblies.

<b>Reception Acorns</b>	Georgie L
<b>Year 1 Silver Birch</b>	Florence Y
<b>Year 2 Sycamore</b>	Eloise P
<b>Year 2 Beech</b>	Whole Class
<b>Year 3 Hazel</b>	Bella L
<b>Year 3/4 Rowan</b>	Bobby A
<b>Year 4 Juniper</b>	Izzy P
<b>Y5 Maple</b>	Darcy W
<b>Year 5/6 Oak</b>	Angel T
<b>Year 6 Cherry Blossom</b>	Nyla W
<b>Inspire Sports</b>	Emily O

**Lunch time Rewards**



Yr2 Beech and Yr4 Juniper won the Lunchtime award for best behaviour this half term. Everyday our lunchtime organisers award points to every class to reflect their behaviour. At the end of each



half term, the points are added up and the class with the most points win a prize. This time we had two winners and with covid restrictions and buibbles etc. we were limited as to what was available. So we decided to have a movie afternoon with snacks. Every child received a box of popcorn, biscuits and a drink of pop.

## Reminder of Dates Reminder

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2022

School re-opens (Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022 is an inset day)

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Yr 3, Yr3/4 & Yr4 Creswell Craggs Trip **Please be at school for 8am**

### February 2022

Tuesdat 1<sup>st</sup> February 2022

KS1 SATS meeting 5pm

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Yr6 Career Convention at Mossley Hollins – letter to follow

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School Disco 4-5pm KS1 5.30-6.30pm KS2

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2022

School closed for Half term

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2022

School re-opens

## In the Spot Light

Upper KS2 have been learning about Vikings. At the weekend, this young man took it upon himself to make a Viking axe and shield with his grandfather! They look absolutely amazing! He is very proud of them, as is Mr Payne and Mrs Brown. Well done!



Aila would like to share her great news with everyone.

On Saturday Aila Competed in Incredibly Cool Cheer Leading Competition in Stoke on Trent.

This is Aila's 1<sup>st</sup> Cheerleading Competition she was very nervous but her and her team smashed it.

Aila Competed in 3 Teams her Team Elements Extreme came 1<sup>st</sup> in Mini 3, 2<sup>nd</sup> in Youth 1, 1<sup>st</sup> in Youth 2



## Board Game Appeal

We're sure Santa will visit you on Christmas Eve. If he brings new board games to your house, and you want to dispose of any old (but complete) games, can we kindly ask if you would donate to school. We have had a couple of requests to start a Board Games club 1 day per week. We have some board games, but we would welcome more.

Please save them for us and bring them to school when we return in January. Many thanks in advance.

## IMPORTANT - Time to Apply – DEADLINE JANUARY 15<sup>TH</sup> 2022

### Admission to Primary School – September 2022

If your child is due to start Primary School in September 2022, you will need to apply for a school place. As a Tameside resident, you should apply using the online application form, which is available on the School Admissions pages of Tameside's website at the following address

[www.tameside.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.tameside.gov.uk/admissions)

The closing date for application forms is **15th January 2022**. Any applications submitted after the closing date will be treated as 'late' and will not be processed until after those submitted on time.

Stay safe everyone and we look forward to seeing you all again on  
**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2022.**

