



NEWSLETTER

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School Council : We were really pleased to welcome our new School Council representatives from Y1 – Y5 to their first meeting this week and they received their school council badges. Year 1 were particularly excited as this is a first for Cams Lane!

Mrs White will be leading the council this year with the support of Mrs Statham.

Y3/4/5 are attending the first ever Trust School Council Conference at Bury Town Hall – they will be meeting the Mayor as well.

Their first Intergenerational project event is on 13th Oct at Hollybank – taking part in a modern art/craft event.

Head Boy and Head Girl: Both Lexi and Joseph had their first meeting with me this week. We talked about their role and jobs within school. They will be welcoming new parents on our Open Day in November.

RE work on Display: We had a fabulous display of RE artwork at St Thomas and St Johns Church as part of their Heritage Weekend. See photo. A big thank you to Miss Aspden for co-ordinating this.



Harvest Assembly: On Thursday 23rd October we will be having our usual Harvest Assembly Celebration and collection for Porch Boxes. Parents/carers are welcome to join us: Please bring any donations on the day. A list of suggested donations can be found on page 4 of this newsletter.

KS1 (Reception, Y1 & Y2) Assembly – 9.15am

KS2 Assembly – 10.15am

Congratulations!

Golden Book Award: YR: Charlie Y1: Layla Y2: Bobby

Y3: Tina Y4: Bella Y5: Buddy Y6: Logan

Lunchtime award: Scarlett Y6

Attendance Awards: Y2 97.67% Y5 96.67%

Colouring Competition: To help raise awareness and funds for a horse riding school called Phoenix RDA where some of our pupils attended over the summer holidays. It supports children with SEND needs and is a great place to go. See letter for details – to enter you can pay £1 on Scopay. Competition entries in by 17th October 2025.

RDA (Riding Disabled Association): A message from RDA,

‘Thanks so much. Phoenix RDA is a small group run by a great team of volunteers with our 3 fantastic horses, Daisy Mae, Tom, and Flossy, who do a brilliant job teaching people of all ages from 8 to 78 ,with all sorts of disabilities, (or different abilities as I like to say), from autism to cerebral palsy and loads in between.

We run our group from the Royle Equestrian Centre nr Crowwood in Burnley. We really appreciate you’re fundraising for us.’



Walking Home Alone - Year 6: Please remember that only Year 6 pupils are allowed to walk to and from school alone. This allows them to get ready for high school.

Absence Protocol: If your child is absent, please make sure that you **phone school** and leave a message – rather than email in because on a daily basis school receives over 100 emails – and it takes time for the office staff to get through all the school emails through the day

Safeguarding: Please be aware of any adult conversations you may have at home – which are not appropriate for children to hear or listen to. This can cause worry, distress and upset for the child both in school and out of school. We appreciate your understanding in this matter.

Charity Event for Bury Hospice: The Bury Hospice Reindeer Run is a festive fundraising event for young children, where they can run, hop, skip or walk 1 mile whilst wearing reindeer antlers provided by the hospice. They will be sponsored for the “reindeer run” and sponsor forms will come out in November. The event will be held on Friday 5th December. Children can come into school wearing sportswear and trainers. Bury Hospice is close to our hearts as one of our Y2 pupils – Marley – sadly lost his mum Hannah last year and she was looked after by Bury Hospice.

Hannah also attended Cams Lane as a pupil when she was younger. We hope we can raise as much money as possible for Bury Hospice to support all the amazing work they do.

Trust Football Tournament: Our new football team took part in the very first Trust Football Tournament at Goshen sports centre.

The team won three matches and drew one match resulting in coming third by just one point out of six schools!! Amazing!

Huge congratulations to the team and thank you to Mr Driscoll and Mrs Rhodes.



Donations: For our Forest School mud kitchen please could you send in any donations of old kitchen utensils such as pots/pans etc.

House Research Homework Y1- Y6

This is to promote our house names and who these local people were and what they did for the area of Bury.

This has been set as a competition – if children choose to take part – we would like it to be child led, presented in any way. It will be shown in assembly with our house captains.

See information that has been sent out. Entries due back in by 20th October.

Pupil Voice – Year 5:

'I'm looking forward to making our "doodler" in our DT lessons.'

'I have enjoyed my maths in Year 5 as its now harder work in upper KS2.'



Tesco Blue Tokens for Schools – Help Raise Funds for our Forest School: The blue tokens for Cams Lane Forest School will be at Tesco Express, Radcliffe. Tesco express, Kearsley and Farnworth Superstore. The tokens are available from mid-October – mid-January. If you are shopping there, please pop your tokens in to help boost our fundraising!

Stay and Play, Reception and Year 1:

We look forward to welcoming Mrs Macadam, CEO of the Collective Community Trust - to the afternoon session with Year 1.

Parents That Lunch: We are again hosting parents that lunch. Here are 2 dates for your diary

Year 5, Thursday, 9th October and Year 3, Tuesday, 25th November. Details of how to book nearer the time.



UNICEF Rights Respecting Award: This term we are working towards our Silver Award.

Article 28 Every child has the right to an education. Primary education must be free. Secondary education must be available for every child. Discipline in schools must respect children's dignity. Richer countries must help poorer countries achieve this.

Article 29 Education must develop every child's personality, talents and abilities to the full. It must encourage the child's respect for human rights, as well as respect for their parents, their own and other cultures, and the environment.

Diary Dates

Thursday 2 nd October	Poetry Workshops with Sean Perkins £2 contribution on Scopay
Thursday 9 th October	Y5 Parents That Lunch
Monday 13 th October	Reception Stay & Play 9am – 10am
Monday 13 th October	Year 1 Stay & Play 9.15am – 10.15am 2pm – 3pm
Friday 17 th October	Colouring Competition Deadline
Monday 20 th October	House Research Deadline
Thursday 23 rd October	 Harvest Assembly KS1, (Reception, Y1 & Y2) 9.15am KS2 10.15am
Thursday 23 rd October	School Closes for Half Term At 3.15pm
Monday 3 rd November	School Re-opens

PE Days

(Reminder PE kit is dark PE shorts, black or navy, plain white t-shirt and pumps/trainers. KS2 need plain joggers and jumper for winter)

Years 3, 4, 5, 6	Wednesdays
Reception, Year 1 & Year 2	Tuesdays <i>Children in these classes are to come to school in their PE kits.</i>



Providing crisis packs for those in need

You can donate any non-perishable food items or toiletries which are well within their best before date. Smaller tins and packets are better. We can also accept items such as disposable nappies and baby food.

Here are some suggestions:

- ◆ Beans and sausage
- ◆ Hot dogs
- ◆ Meatballs
- ◆ Tinned fruit
- ◆ Tins of meat
- ◆ Pasta & sauce Packets
- ◆ Rice Pudding
- ◆ Packets of instant noodles
- ◆ Packets of savoury rice
- ◆ Tinned Stews/spaghetti bolognaise/chilli etc
- Ravioli
- Tinned spaghetti
- Bottles of squash
- Biscuits
- Tins of tuna
- Tea [packs of 40]
- UHT Milk Semi skimmed
- UHT Milk Full Fat

ATTENDANCE

WHAT THE NEW RULES MEAN FOR ME

1

I'm a single parent of one child and we want to go on holiday for a week

Your holiday will not be authorised and you must talk to the school before you book anything.

Because your child will miss 5 school days you will be given a penalty notice fine.

The fine is £160 but if you pay it within 21 days it will be reduced to £80

£160



2

IRREGULAR ATTENDANCE

10 IN 10

If your child is absent for 10 or more sessions in 10 weeks and their absences are unauthorised, the school will consider prosecution

1 day = 2 sessions

A PENALTY FOR EACH CHILD



+£160 +£160 +£160 +£160

4 children & 1 parent = £640

Reduced to £320 if paid within 21 days

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FOR A FAMILY OF TWO PARENTS



+£160



+£160



+£160



+£160

4 children &
2 parents =
£1,280

Reduced to £640 if paid
within 21 days

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If in any period of not more than 3 years, your child has a 2nd and 3rd leave of absence or pattern of irregular attendance...

SECOND TIME

2 parents and

1 child = £320

2 children = £640

3 children = £960

4 children = £1,280

No discount for early payment



THIRD TIME

A penalty notice fine will not be given.

Instead your case will be taken to court.

A magistrate can fine each parent £2,500 for each child.

1 parent & 4 children = £10,000

2 parents & 4 children = £20,000