



NEWSLETTER

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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 5 of this newsletter.
KS1 (Reception, Y1 & Y2) Assembly – 9.15am **KS2 Assembly – 10.15am**

Halloween Bingo: LAST FEW REMAINING! Tickets are £3 PER PERSON and are available on Scopay. **ALL** children must be accompanied by a fee paying adult. This is a ticket only event and numbers are limited in the hall, so it is first come first served. See the posters on pages 6 & 7



Attendance: We recently met with our Local Authority Support Attendance link consultant and we looked at attendance so far since starting in September – take a look at our recent attendance figure – well done to our younger classes! Our school target is 95%

| Year: | Attendance % for Year Group | Attendance % Males | Attendance % Females |
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| Rec | 95.10% | 96.30% | 93.40% |
| 1 | 98.10% | 97.00% | 99.50% |
| 2 | 97.30% | 96.90% | 97.80% |
| 3 | 97.10% | 96.60% | 97.70% |
| 4 | 97.50% | 97.30% | 97.70% |
| 5 | 95.60% | 95.80% | 95.30% |
| 6 | 93.80% | 97.40% | 90.20% |

This flags up the attendance of our Year 6 class being the lowest currently and especially the girls – which is a concern. I cannot state strongly enough that attendance in Year 6 is an absolute priority so that any preparation for high school and KS2 SATs is not missed. Please highlight this in your family if you have a Year 6 pupil.

Also the Persistent Absence (PA) is high as well in Year 6 – so these hopefully should reduce through the term!

Congratulations!

Golden Book Award: YR: Eshaal Y1: Daniel Y2: Alissa

Y3: Ella Y4: Shaniya Y5: Charlie Y6: Archie

Lunchtime Awards: Lucas YR Archie Y6

Attendance Awards: Y1 100% Y5 97.93%

Times tables – A PRIORITY: In Year 4 there is a Statutory test called the Multiplication Timetables Check (MTC) There will be a Parental Leaflet coming out soon with more information on for Year 4 parents from Miss Partington our Maths Lead in school. Children need to have instant recall of the answers – within 5 seconds. This is both a Trust and a School priority for this year. We are having daily inputs of timetables in every class from Year 1 upwards. This may be using a variety of methods from rhymes, raps, songs, learning by rote, or on the computer. Some classes have already used a free app called Blooket to devise timed tests to practice on. We ask all parents to engage with the practice times tables at home and to raise the profile of times tables with all children. We ask you to engage with them helping them to have instant recall at any point in the day. Children **MUST** be practicing them at home and in school to improve their instant recall. Times Tables are of huge importance in many aspects of maths and will help children throughout their education and lives.

FCL (Friends of Cams Lane)

AGM Meeting

**This will be held in school at 3.15pm on Thursday 6th November
All parents are welcome.**

Halloween Bingo Night – Wednesday, 22nd October 6-8pm.

New to Cams Lane! See the posters on pages 6 & 7. There are also prizes for the best fancy dress costumes on the night! (Fancy dress is optional).

Christmas Fair – Thursday, 4th December 6-8pm

Don't forget booking for Santa Grotto – watch out for information coming soon!

Non-Uniform Days for Contributions:

Friday 21st Nov – Toys

Friday 28th Nov – Chocolate for the Christmas Tombola

Parents That Lunch: We are again hosting parents that lunch. Here is a date for your diary:



Year 3, Tuesday, 25th November. Details of how to book nearer the time.

Pupil Voice – Year 6:

“I enjoyed the football coaching at Redbank.”

“I enjoyed learning to do long division in maths.”

MASSIVE PLEA: Donations For the Forest School mud kitchen. Please could you send in any donations of old kitchen utensils and pots/pans etc...

Stay and Play: Thank you to all parents that came – it was a very successful day in Reception and Y1.

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.



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.



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 now until 31st December. If you are shopping there, please pop your tokens in to help boost our fundraising!



Zones of Regulation: This is a strategy to help children identify their feelings and emotions – using four colours and simple ideas to help them feel better and in control of their emotions. Each classroom has a display and colours and strategies for the children to use.

PE kit on PE day: We have currently Rec, Year 1 and Year 2 who come to school in their PE kit on their PE day.

For a trial basis next half term (Autumn 2) – we would like to offer this to the whole school. Please refer to the Uniform policy for PE kit on the website

It may reduce anxiety around PE, increase attendance on PE days, increase PE lesson time. We will review it in December – and we welcome parent viewpoints on this. Thank you.

Belinda The Artist: We have an artist working with all the Trust schools – she is coming in on Tuesday morning to work with a small group from Y4 and Y3 – we look forward to the finished article and feedback from the children.

After School Clubs: We would like to know who hasn't taken part in an ASC so far this term and even last year. We would like to know why and is there anything else we can do as a school. Are there other clubs we can offer? Please email in your feedback. Many thanks.

Parent Governor: We have a Governor whose term of office is coming to an end. If you are interested in being a Parent Governor, please email in to **express an interest** by the Monday, 3rd November 2025

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



In January our school will be assessed for the silver UNICEF rights of the child (RRSA) award. We were really excited when we achieved the bronze award. The assessor will be asking the pupils

what they know about the rights of the child, looking at how these have been included within our curriculum and how the rights of the child are promoted throughout school and to parents. There is a different right on each newsletter to parents. Please try and discuss this at home with your child/children each week. Thank you.

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

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| Monday 20 th October | House Research Deadline |
| Wednesday 22 nd October | Halloween Bingo Ticket Only Event £3 per person Children MUST be accompanied by an adult  |
| 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 |
| Friday 7 th November | Reception Class Vision Screening |

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)

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



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

YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR

HALLOWEEN BINGO

WED 22ND OCTOBER



6PM - 8PM

ENTRY £3.00 PER PERSON
FANCY DRESS IS WELCOMED BY ALL!





PLEASE JOIN US FOR A FUN-FILLED HALLOWEEN BINGO NIGHT, HERE IN OUR SCHOOL HALL!!!

TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW ON SCOPAY. THIS IS A TICKET ONLY EVENT. LIMITED CAPACITY SO BOOK EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT.

ENTRY PRICE INCLUDES ALL BINGO GAMES

ADDITIONAL BINGO TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED ON THE NIGHT.

CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT.

THERE WILL BE A:

- **1 KS1 FANCY DRESS WINNER**
- **1 KS2 FANCY DRESS WINNER**
- **1 ADULT FANCY DRESS WINNER**



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

4

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

