Our Vision

At Bushmead, children are empowered to be active, confident learners where they are inspired to be creative and excel.

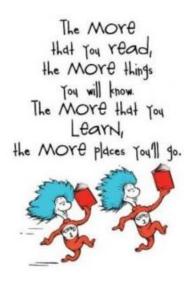


Bushmead Primary School Newsletter

30th September 2022

Our Value for September is **Co-operation**Our well-being theme this term is **Connecting with Others**

Dear Parents and Carers.



This quotation is so true. We know from a plethora of research that children and young people that read do so much better academically and therefore have more life choices. Children often say they don't like reading simply when they haven't found the right book. Please consider audio books, books that relate to films they like, non-fiction texts, graphic novels and animated or picture books. They all count. There are lots of free ways to access books. Our school library and Luton library as well as online. For further advice and guidance on reading please visit the English page on our website. Book Trust also has wonderful advice, activities and recommendations. Happy reading!

To help The **Miller Hub Library will be opening after school**, two days a week from 3.30 – 4.30pm for KS2 children. Starting on Wednesday 5th October and Tuesday's and Wednesday's thereafter. Parents will be able to go to the library with their children and choose and change books, you will be able to read with your child as well as access Chromebooks to do learning log activities.

A HUGE thank you to our Yr 6 team for taking the children to **Condover Hall**. What an amazing experience. The children have had an amazing time and are heading home as I write. This wouldn't be possible without the organisation of Mr Leech and Mrs Blee, nor the commitment of Mr Read, Ms Ahmed, Ms Robinson, Mrs Ratcliffe, Ms Pugh and Mrs Wilson to spend a week away. Our children have been brilliantly behaved, resilient and brave and will be absolutely exhausted when they get to you. Photos have been posted on our social media and more will be added to the Yr 6 page on our website. Thank you everyone.

Our School Council elections have taken place. Congratulations to all those elected and all those that put themselves forward. I look forward to our first meeting and discussing ways forward for our school.

Thank you again to everyone helping to support our **uniform policy**. **Just a reminder that earrings should not be work for PE activities.** I suggest that children do not wear earrings on their PE days please, this is better than them removing themselves.

Upcoming dates:

Please see our website calendar

- Parenting Course supporting your anxious child 4th October
- FOBS meeting 29th September 2pm.
- Flu Vaccinations 13th October













- Parent Teacher Consultations 17th & 19th October
- Teacher Training Day (school closed to children) Friday 21st October
- Half Term

Have a lovely weekend.

Joanne Travi Headteacher

Free school meals (FSM)

Get help with school uniforms

If you need help with school uniforms please contact your school directly.

To get free uniforms, you can visit the <u>Uniform Exchange</u> with items of uniform you don't need any more. You can swap these for items you do need. <u>Find them upstairs in The Mall</u>, next to the Children's Centre.



From improved concentration and academic performance to better behaviour, a regular, balanced meal can help your child's education.

Find out if your child is entitled to free school meals, and how to apply.

Apply for free school meals

Please complete the form below to report changes in circumstances for those with existing free school meals entitlement (for example a change in school or change of address)

Change of circumstances

We request all families with children of school age who are attending a state funded school to apply for free school meals. Only those in receipt of one of the qualifying benefits will be awarded with entitlement.

As sent by ParentMail, please do register your child for a <u>Free School Meal</u>, even if they receive a universally free meal in R - Yr 2. This will also help us claim Pupil Premium Funding.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us and we can help with the forms.

Thank you.















FOBS Update

FOBS, our PTA, do tremendous work. We all enjoy our community events and the children benefit from our fundraising. We have a brilliant core team but we need new volunteers and supporters. Please email fobs@bushmeadprimaryschool.co.uk if you can help in anyway – even if it is to volunteer for an hour at an event.

Don't forget to join the **lottery** and order your **IQ cards**. Information was sent via ParentMail or can be seen on the FOBS Facebook page. https://www.facebook.com/1FOBS do befriend for details and links.



And, if you use **Amazon**, please select <u>smile.amazon.co.uk</u> and choose Friends of Bushmead School as your charity. This will automatically generate a donation at no cost to you. Thank you.

Event Dates 2022/23

Event	Date
FOBS AGM – all welcome	14.45 Thursday 20 th October
Christmas Disco	Times vary – Thursday 1st December
Christmas Shop	7 th – 9 th December
Easter / Spring Raffle & Fair	15.30 – 17.30 - Thursday 30 th March
Summer Disco	Times vary - Thursday 6 th July
Summer Raffle & Fair	15.30 – 17.30 Thursday 13 th July

Five years of FOBS

In the last five years FOBS have run community events and fundraised but also, as a registered charity, applied for grants and funding for projects for the school. Here is what we

Organisation	Funds £	Funded
Co Op	13105	outdoor gym
AVIVA 17	1000	outdoor gym
YSYW 17	1250	outdoor gym
AVIVA 18	1000	reception playground
YSYW 18	1250	home ecc / garden
Greggs	2000	home ecc / garden
Ernest Cook	1160	Garden
Science Grant	300	Garden
Luton Airport	7500	Year 1 Quad canopy
Magic Grant	500	KS1 playground
Luton Festival of Transport	500	home ecc













whsmith	100	library books
Cawleys	0	free skip
Magic grants	500	after school club
Gale family rust	2500	after school clubs
Outdoor grant	500	gardening club
Science Grant	300	science week
Aviva	355	after school clubs
Airport	5031	library
Tesco	500	SEND - sensory
Co Op	9842.86	Home ecc room
Luton Citizen fund	3142	IT equipment
Magic grant	500	eco club
	£52835.86	

You can see what a difference it makes! We can't wait to put the money for our Home Ecc Room to good use over the October half term to create a DT & Science classroom. Watch this space.

Molly's fundraising!

At the end of the summer holiday's Molly in Yr 6, of her own initiative, arranged a tea to raise money for school netball kits. She did an amazing job and new netball uniforms are on the way. Thank you Molly!















Yr 6 at Condover Hall. Residential trips are so important for young people. They build resilience and independence and let children explore and experience new things. Wonderful.

















Art in Yr 1













Yr 5 at Wardown Park





























What happens when Yr 1 taste lemons!















Celebrating success out of school. Sienna's horse-riding rosettes. An amazing achievement.



















Muay Thai Training and Classes

'Mastery of the world begins by mastery of self' GMSKEN

Come learn traditional Muay Thai boxing techniques focusing on improving your confidence, coordination, accuracy and speed. Kru David will will assist you in your goals whether you want to improve your fitness, conditioning, or even train for ring sport.

We can offer grading, courses and opportunities to compete.

First Week free

Chasses

Monday 18:10 to 19:20 Wednesday 18:10 to 19:20 Adults 18 plus £7 PAYG Children year 7-11 and college students £6 PAYG

Membership

Adults £25.1 session a week; £40 twice a week monthly; Child £20.1 session a week; £30 twice a week monthly

Contact Kru Duvid 07954408089 davidsolomon24@hotmail.co.uk

Bushmead Community Hub

Hancock Drive Luton Bedfordshire LU2 7SF 01582 422818















Saturday 1st October between 10.00am - 2.00pm

we will be collecting food and toiletries for Luton Foodbank and The Hygiene Bank

tinned/long life food and hygiene products will be gratefuly received.

















