

# Newsletters

## Weekly Newsletter



This month's value is **co-operation**

Our well-being theme this half-term is  
**Connecting with Others**

**29th September 2023**

Dear parents & carers,

Next week we will launch **Black History Month**. The suggestion to make more of this annual event came from our School Council. We are delighted that this is a child-led initiative. And we have carefully planned themes for each group to celebrate diversity and world history. It is going to be a great month.

We will also be celebrating **National Poetry Day** and **Teacher Appreciation Day** on Thursday.

The following week we will be collecting for the Luton Food Bank as part of Harvest Festival. **Friday 13th October will be a non-uniform day** in return for food contributions. Details of what to donate are below. Thank you in advance.

A reminder that **Parent Teacher Conferences** will take place on Monday 16th and Wednesday 18th October. These will take place virtually via School Cloud. Details of how to book an appointment will be sent out next week. PTCs will be face - to - face in March.

Don't forget our FOBS (PTA) AGM on Tuesday (see below). If you cannot attend at this time but would like to be involved please email us: [FOBS@bushmeadprimaryschool.co.uk](mailto:FOBS@bushmeadprimaryschool.co.uk)

Have a lovely weekend,

Joanne Travi

Headteacher

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Our FOBS AGM will take place on **Tuesday 3rd October at 9.00am.**

Please come along. We would be grateful for any support. We are particularly looking for parents with grant / bid funding expertise.

FOBS meetings will take place the second Thursday of each month at 2.30pm. Our first meeting will be **Thursday 12th October.**

**All welcome.** Thank you.

You can contact our committee on:  
[FOBS@bushmeadprimaryschool.co.uk](mailto:FOBS@bushmeadprimaryschool.co.uk)

**AGM**

**Annual General Meeting**

**Everyone is welcome.**  
**Stay informed and get involved.**



## Our Vision

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

### Open Morning for Reception 2024

9.00 - 10.30am Wednesday 1st November 2023

9.00 - 10.30am Tuesday 7th November 2023



To book a place please contact our school office on 01582 725 387 or [office@bushmeadprimaryschool.co.uk](mailto:office@bushmeadprimaryschool.co.uk)

For further information about our school please see our website:

[Bushmead Primary School](https://www.bushmeadprimaryschool.co.uk)

'Pupils are proud to be part of this welcoming, inclusive school. Throughout the school, relationships are kind.' Ofsted May 2023

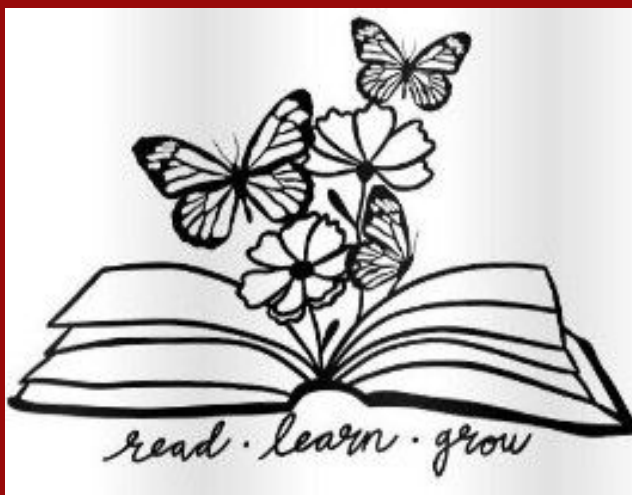


**Our Year 6 roving reporters are Seren, Zamin, Mikael & Zoe**

**Newsround Club** meets every Monday morning to discuss, school, national and international events.

The club decides the themes for reporting. *All words are their own.*

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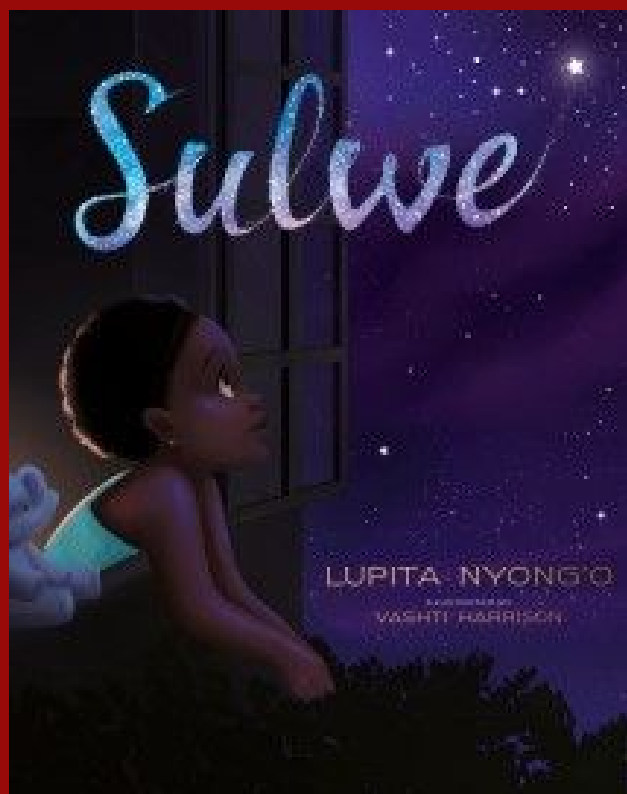
### **Bushmead Book of the Week**

A little inspiration and some ideas for books for your children.

And for all reading support,  
try <https://www.booktrust.org.uk/>

## Sulwe by Lupita Nyong'o

From Academy Award–winning actress Lupita Nyong'o comes a powerful, moving picture book about colorism, self-esteem, and learning that true beauty comes from within. Sulwe's skin is the colour of midnight. She's darker than everyone in her family, and everyone at school. All she wants is to be beautiful and bright, like her mother and sister. Then a magical journey through the night sky opens her eyes.



**Staying Safe online**



# What Parents & Carers Need to Know about — SHARING PHOTOS ONLINE

## WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

School is often a time chock-full of milestones for your child, and you may well be eager to share their accomplishments with the world. In today's digital age, sharing images of such precious moments on social media is commonplace, and – while that's a lovely thing to do – it does come with some risks attached. Our guide can help parents and carers to consider the potential dangers and make informed choices about safely sharing photos of their children online.

### INVASIONS OF PRIVACY

Even with the right settings in place, absolutely nothing online is 100% private. Anyone who can view your photos could take screenshots and potentially share them elsewhere. Privacy settings are still important, though, so it's always wise to ensure your social media accounts have them set up; just bear in mind that you can't completely control what happens to anything once it's gone online.

### REVEALING PERSONAL DETAILS

Small details in photos can often reveal personal information. Backgrounds can give clues to where you live, for example, while school logos on uniforms, sports kits, or bags could help someone identify which school your child attends. With interactive maps and reverse image searches commonplace online, information like this could easily be misused by an individual with malicious intentions.

### MISUSE OF IMAGES

Once something's been shared online, it's almost impossible to get it deleted. Photos can show up in search engine results and be downloaded, manipulated, and shared without consent. There's the potential for someone's images to be used for advertising purposes (which in many cases, isn't illegal) or even more inappropriate reasons, such as cyber-bullying or serious forms of exploitation.

### ONLINE GROOMING

Pictures that convey details about your child's interests, activities, or daily routines could arm an online predator with the kind of information they can deploy to gain a child's trust. They might use this knowledge to pretend to be the same age as the child or to have a shared hobby. Essentially, the more a predator knows about a young person, the easier it is for them to invent some 'common ground'.

### PRESSURE TO PLEASE

When their parents or carers share notable moments and accomplishments in a child's life on social media, some children may begin to feel an expectation to always meet certain standards, to achieve things, or to behave in ways that are "worth sharing". Knowing that other people (even friends and family) can see these posts on social media might also add to the pressure they're feeling internally.

### IMPACT ON DIGITAL FOOTPRINT

Every photo of a child posted online contributes to their digital footprint. Young people's lives have never been so closely and publicly documented as they are now, and this permanent online presence could affect a child's future opportunities or the choices they make as they grow up – in addition to influencing how they see themselves and, consequently, their emotional wellbeing.

## Advice for Parents & Carers

### REVIEW SETTINGS REGULARLY

Make sure your social media's secure in terms of who can view your content or see your location (only family and trusted friends, for example). Privacy settings aren't totally foolproof, but they do make it tougher for strangers to access your pics. Reviewing your settings regularly is also a good starting point for conversations with your child about managing their own social accounts when they're older.

### CHECK YOUR PHOTOS

Photos of your child shouldn't provide any clues to where they live or go to school: even a house number, street name, or car number plate could be a giveaway. Cover up or blur out school logos, too. If you really want to share a particular pic, you could post a watermarked or low-res version, which can help to discourage misuse as those images are less appealing to download or reproduce.

### CONSIDER OTHER CHILDREN

When taking a group photo, make sure you get parents' or carers' permission to share it on social media. There may be an important safeguarding reason for them not wanting their child's photo posted publicly online, or it might simply not tally with their personal beliefs or cultural background. A quick conversation in advance, just to make sure, is usually hugely appreciated.

### THINK AHEAD

Try to consider the longer-term implications of what you post. Would you be happy with that photo being online in 10 years' time? Would your child still be OK with the image when they're older? Once your child is mature enough, you could ask for their consent before posting: it respects their privacy, fosters trust and understanding, and helps them to start thinking about their own online life.

### Meet Our Expert

Gabriella Russo is a safeguarding consultant with more than 30 years' experience working with children, families, and adults in education, local authority, and mental health settings, both in the UK and internationally. She has developed online safety training for local authorities and foster care agencies across Britain and is the online safety expert for Foster Wiki.



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High quality writing in Yr 5 - well done Rehan!



Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2023

Surrounding the ominous, intimidating prison camp, were there were towering, steep mountains that protected the terror that lay within. Far beyond all of that, there was a impenetrable, razor-sharp fence that teased the melancholy, sorrowful prisoners as they attempted to escape the horror.

vicious

Inside the vicious, cruel, horror movie, the helpless, weary prisoners were forced by the merciless, malevolent guards to spend the night cramed in ramshackled, delapidated huts.

victims

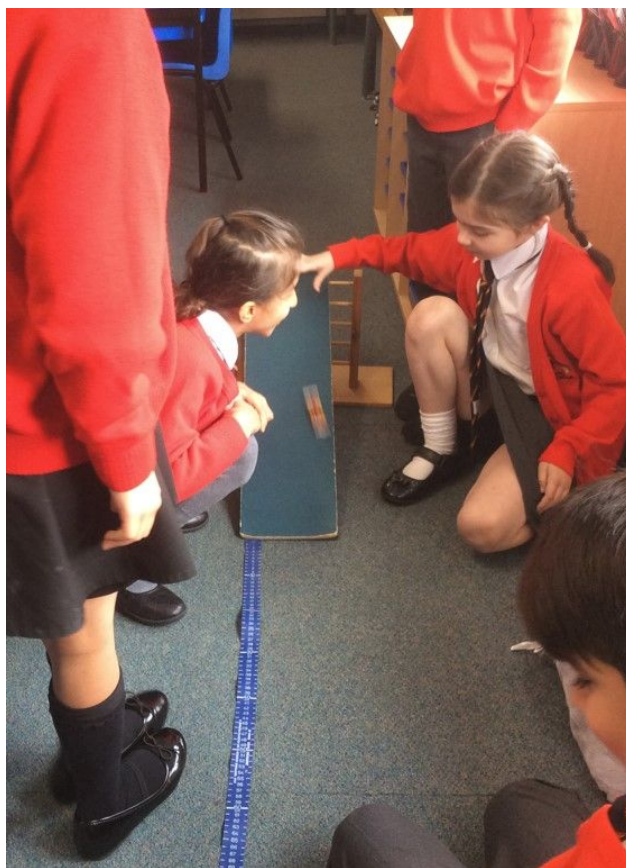
Deprived of food, the ravenous victims begged for good soup but the menacing, malicious guards just laughed, just evilly laughed.

Improve this adverb for effect.

	Me	Teacher
Expanded noun phrases	✓	✓
Emotive language	✓	✓
ISPACE openers	✓	✓
Fronted adverbial with 2 adjectives	✓	✓
Personification	✓	✓
Metaphor	✓	✓

(2 Hf) ✓ L.O. Wow, Rehan! An incredible setting description.

Insert the missing comma to separate adjectives.



Wardown park trip year 5









**LUTON TOWN HOCKEY CLUB**

**FREE  
SESSION**

# **JUNIOR FUN DAY**



**SUNDAY**  
24 September



**LUTON SIXTH FORM**  
BRADGERS HILL RD,  
LUTON, LU2 7EW



**10:00am**  
**11:30am**



**Drinks**  
on sale

**SPEED GUN  
& GAMES**

**VIP  
GUESTS**



CARVE STORES



23 Sep



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23 Sep

CARVE STORES





If you are experiencing financial difficulties, Luton Foodbank can provide you with food parcels.

Each food parcel lasts up to three days, and is nutritionally balanced.

We can also help you get wider support with:

- rent and council-tax arrears
- poor housing
- debts and rising bills

**Contact us**

[info@lutonfoodbank.org.uk](mailto:info@lutonfoodbank.org.uk)

01582 725838

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**ARE YOU A  
SCHOOL  
HARVEST  
HERO?**

Donate to the

**HARVEST CHALLENGE**

**11th Sep to 20th Oct**

Email [info@lutonfoodbank.org.uk](mailto:info@lutonfoodbank.org.uk) to sign up



**Please donate these items**

- Rice pudding
- Custard
- Tinned fruit
- Tinned tomatoes
- Tinned spaghetti
- Baked beans
- Long-life milk
- Dried rice
- Biscuits

**Thank you**



**SPRING INTO MOVEMENT.  
LET'S DANCE!**

# **DANCE CLUBS BUSHMEAD PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**Get in the right groove!  
Enrol now for September**



PERFORMING ARTS  
COLLECTIVE LIMITED

## **Autumn Term -**

**KS1 Dance Club -  
Wednesday  
8am - 8:40am  
£3.50 per session (paid  
termly)**

**KS2 Dance Club -  
Thursday  
7:55am - 8:35am  
£3.50 per session (paid  
termly)**



**TO BOOK PLEASE EMAIL:  
[CONTACT@PACOLLECTIVE.CO.UK](mailto:CONTACT@PACOLLECTIVE.CO.UK)**

**AUTUMN TERM -  
1ST NOVEMBER TO 14TH DECEMBER**

# U6 ACADEMY DAY

YEAR 1 ONLY  
THURSDAY 26TH OCTOBER



**10:00AM TO 2:00PM**  
**£12.00 BOOKING FEE**

**ATTEND A MORNING OF TECHNICAL BASED TRAINING  
FOLLOWED BY AN AFTERNOON OF FOCUSED  
GAME-BASED PLAY DELIVERED BY EXPERIENCED  
COACHES.**



**FLITWICK FOOTBALL CENTRE**



**VISIT [CREATIVESPORTSCACHING.CO.UK](https://creativesportscaching.co.uk) OR  
SCAN THE QR CODE TO SECURE YOUR PLACE!**



## Upcoming Events

<b>Black History Day</b> ALL DAY	02 October
<b>Newsround Club with Ms Travi</b> 8:15AM – 8:45AM From 18 Sep and on Monday each week	02 October
<b>Netball Club</b> 7:45AM – 8:30AM From 19 Sep and on Tuesday each week until 17 Oct	03 October
<b>Netball Fixture at Wenlock Primary School</b> 3:15PM – 4:45PM	03 October
<b>Smart Raspberry Cookery School</b> 3:30PM – 4:45PM From 19 Sep and on Tuesday each week until 05 Dec	03 October
<b>Boys Football Club Years 3 &amp; 4</b> 3:30PM – 4:35PM From 19 Sep and on Tuesday each week until 17 Oct	03 October
<b>Year 5 Film Club</b> 3:30PM – 4:30PM	03 October

<b>Football Squad Training Years 5 &amp; 6</b> 7:45AM – 8:30AM From 29 Sep and on Friday each week until 20 Oct	06 October
<b>Harvest Foodbank Assemblies</b> ALL DAY	09 October
<b>Newsround Club with Ms Travi</b> 8:15AM – 8:45AM From 18 Sep and on Monday each week	09 October
<b>Kingswood Residential Trip - Year 6</b> 9:00AM – 3:30PM	09 October
<b>Netball Club</b> 7:45AM – 8:30AM From 19 Sep and on Tuesday each week until 17 Oct	10 October
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<b>School Library Open to families</b>  3:30PM – 4:30PM From 10 Jan and on Tuesday each week except for 14 Feb	03 October	<b>Boys Football Club Years 3 &amp; 4</b>  3:30PM – 4:35PM From 19 Sep and on Tuesday each week until 17 Oct	10 October
<b>Year 2 Multi Sports Event</b>  10:00AM – 11:30AM	04 October	<b>School Library Open to families</b>  3:30PM – 4:30PM From 10 Jan and on Tuesday each week except for 14 Feb	10 October
<b>Girls Football years 3 - 6</b>  3:30PM – 4:30PM From 20 Sep and on Wednesday each week until 19 Oct	04 October	<b>Year 5 Film Club</b>  3:30PM – 4:30PM From 19 Sep and on Tuesday each week	10 October
<b>Year 2 Multisports Club</b>  3:30PM – 4:30PM From 20 Sep and on Wednesday each week until 18 Oct	04 October	<b>Kingswood Residential Trip - Year 6</b>  9:00AM – 3:30PM	11 October
<b>Language Club</b>  3:30PM – 4:30PM From 27 Sep and on Wednesday each week until 22 Nov	04 October	<b>Girls Football years 3 - 6</b>  3:30PM – 4:30PM From 20 Sep and on Wednesday each week until 19 Oct	11 October
<b>National Poetry Day</b>  ALL DAY	05 October	<b>Year 2 Multisports Club</b>  3:30PM – 4:30PM From 20 Sep and on Wednesday each week until 18 Oct	11 October
<b>Smart Raspberry Cookery School</b>  3:30PM – 4:45PM From 21 Sep and on Thursday each week until	05 October	<b>Language Club</b>  3:30PM – 4:30PM	11 October



07 Dec

**Boys Football Club  
Years 5 & 6**

3:30PM – 4:35PM

From 21 Sep and on  
Thursday each week until  
19 Oct

05  
October

From 27 Sep and on  
Wednesday each week until  
22 Nov

**Shuttleworth  
Aerodrome Trip Year  
2**

8:30AM – 3:30PM

From 12 Oct and on  
Thursday each week until  
12 Oct

12  
October