



Banks Lane Junior School

Communication, Collaboration, Curiosity, Resilience, Reflection



The Weekly Roar!

Friday 17th September, 2021
333rd Edition

PLEASE REMEMBER - DROP OFF AND GO, PICK UP AND LEAVE

COVID RESTRICTIONS IN SCHOOL - UPDATE

As promised back in July, we are looking at ways to ease restrictions within school over the coming weeks and are pleased to share the next steps with you:

Lunchtimes

From Monday 27th September, all pupils will return to the dining hall for lunchtime. This means children will no longer eat in the classrooms and those on school meals will return to a choice of daily menu.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast club will return to the dining hall from Monday 27th September. We have also lifted the limit on how many children are able to attend each day. Children will still sit with those from their own bubble for the moment. Breakfast club must still be booked in advance of attendance. If you have a large TV or any DVD's you would be happy to donate to breakfast club, please send them to the school office.

Assemblies

We are working towards the return of whole school assemblies in the hall. For the 24th Sept and 1st Oct we will hold separate lower and upper school assemblies and are looking forward to our first whole school assembly on Friday 8th October.

School Trips

The first of our school trips have already been booked and we are costing out the residentials for Years 4, 5 and 6 at the moment - letters for these will go out within the next few weeks.

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Whilst we are excited to implement changes which see us moving back to 'normal' we are still being cautious with our approach, so for the moment the following will remain:

Toilets

Toilets will continue to be bubble restricted to support the extra handwashing throughout the day; this will be reviewed again in the next few weeks.

Playground

Playground - we are keeping the playground and field zones for the moment - this could become permanent as we have seen many positives to children having different areas at break times. If your child uses the field for playtime you may want to send a spare pair of old wellies/trainers in as the weather gets wetter.

Parent Consultations

Parent consultations will go ahead via telephone. Due to COVID and the continuing evening building works we feel it is safest not to invite parents into school just yet. We will send out letters with further details nearer the time.

After School Clubs

We are all looking forward to the return of after school clubs. Please bear with us, after school clubs are delayed due to the building works within school rather than COVID restrictions - we are looking at all clubs returning at the beginning of next half term.

AWARD WINNERS

Headteacher Award

The Headteacher Gold Awards were given to:

Year 3 - Phoebe, 3L for using her cosmic curiosity skills to learn about volcanoes.

Year 4 - Molly, 4L for always putting 100% into everything she does.

Year 5 - Taya, 5S for her resilience in swimming and school this week.

Year 6 - Helena, 6B for being a model pupil and setting a good example to others.

Great job **Green** team, you are our weekly dojo winners!



The class with the highest dojo points this week is 5L, well done to you!

LEARNING POWERS MESSAGE OF THE WEEK

Please note - school is CLOSED for INSET DAY on Monday 20th September.



FANTASTIC ATTENDANCE AWARD



This week's Winners

1 st	4S
2 nd	4B
3 rd	3L

IT'S YOUR BIRTHDAY!

Happy Birthday this coming week to,



James, 3L
Ella, 5B
Caleb, 5B
Bethany, 5B
Max, 5B
Ella, 5B

DIETARY REQUIREMENTS

Earlier this week we sent home an email asking you to complete a form if your child has any dietary requirements/allergies. These forms will be kept within the school kitchen.

Please complete this information even if we are already aware of any needs or your child is on packed lunches.

As all of the children will now be eating together in the dining hall, kitchen staff need this information to be visible.

If you require a paper copy, don't hesitate to contact the school office - we will be happy to send one home with your child.

FLEECES

Our uniform supplier has now confirmed they will hold stock of Banks Lane Junior School fleeces from mid October - we will confirm stock arrival.

Prices as follows:

Age 7 to age 13 - £12.75
Small Adult - £17.55

However, we are happy for children to wear plain none branded navy, grey or black fleeces over their uniform in class but hoodies are not permitted inside school.

Fleeces do not replace jumpers or cardigans and are offered as an 'extra layer' in winter months.

This newsletter is emailed weekly to parents/carers. Please let us know if you would like us to email it to you.

It is also available on our website at www.bankslane-jun.stockport.sch.uk

If you have any queries or concerns, please email admin@bankslane-jun.stockport.sch.uk or phone the school office on 0161 480 2330

NATIONAL TEACHING ASSISTANTS DAY



Earlier this week, staff brought in treats to celebrate National Teaching Assistant Day and the wonderful job they do here at Banks Lane. School wouldn't run without all of their support and hard work so thank you to you all!



Coffee mornings with Together Trust

Monthly drop in and chat coffee mornings with Therapy and Specialist Support team.

Professional Therapists are available to chat to, including;

- Speech and Language Therapists
- Sleep Practitioners
- Education and Clinical Psychologists
- Occupational Therapists
- Positive Behaviour Practitioners
- Education and Clinical Psychologists

Parents and carers have the opportunity to meet others in a similar situation and our team can provide information and support in areas you might be experiencing difficulty in.

We also provide a **comprehensive Autism specific library** and many other resources which parents and carers are welcome to access.

All drop-in sessions will be 10am - 12pm on their specified dates below.

2021	2022
Thursday 23 rd September	Tuesday 25 th January
Tuesday 19 th October	Wednesday 23 rd February
Wednesday 15 th December	Thursday 14 th March
	Wednesday 20 th April
	Monday 16 th May
	Wednesday 15 th June

For more information you can call Together Trust on 0161 286

OUTSIDE AGENCIES

We often have outside agencies come into school to work with/support our pupils in a number of different ways. Please see our table below for their availability.

Tuesday	Wednesday
LSS, all day	BSS, am, every other week
	SALT, every other half term

LSS - Learning Support Service

BSS - Behaviour Support Service

SALT - Speech and Language Therapy. On The half term we do not have weekly visits, teaching assistants carry out follow up work with children.

USEFUL WEBSITES

CEOPS

CEOP help young people who are concerned about on-line images and communications.

https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/11_13/help/CEOP/

Family Lives

Family Lives is a charity with over three decades of experience helping parents to deal with the changes that are a constant part of family life.

<http://www.familylives.org.uk/>

Guidance for Parents re Instagram

http://www.connectsafely.org/wp-content/uploads/instagram_guide.pdf

Kidscape

'Preventing Bullying, protecting children'

<https://www.kidscape.org.uk/what-we-do/>

Kidsmart

<http://www.kidsmart.org.uk/>

Netmums

The network offers information to parents about parenting on a national level. Amongst the topics are child welfare, maternity, playgroups, child health and child safety.

<http://www.netmums.com/>

NSPCC NetAware

https://www.net-aware.org.uk/?utm_source=google&utm_medium=cpc&utm_campaign=Grant_shareaware2014&utm_term=nsppc_net_aware&qclid=EAIaIQobChMI6rq9lqCa1QIV77XtCh0n0w-aEAYASAAEgIawPD_BwE&qclsrc=aw.ds

Stockport SEND Local Offer

<https://stockport.fsd.org.uk/kb5/stockport/fsd/localoffer.page>

UK Safer Internet Centre

E-safety tips, advice and resources to help children and young people stay safe on the internet.

<http://www.saferinternet.org.uk/>