

Buick Memorial Primary School Newsletter Friday 6th October 2023



Parents and Carers,

Outdoor Learning is a focal point of our School Development Plan this year. As part of this, our younger pupils engaged in various activities within our school grounds this week to complement classroom-based learning.





Child Protection

If you have any concerns about your child's safety in school, you can speak to Mr Beattie, (Designated Teacher for Child Protection), or to Mrs Shirlow, (Deputy Designated Teacher). If you are still concerned, you may contact the Acting Principal, Miss R Peters, who oversees the Safeguarding Team within Buick Memorial Primary School. Additionally, you may contact the Board of Governors. If you have any concerns, you may talk to a Social Worker at the Social Services Gateway Team on 0300 1234 333.



Partnership Working

Unfortunately, this week, we have had a few incidents in our KS2 boys' toilets. We know that your children are taught appropriate bathroom etiquette at home, and this must continue in school.

We actively request that every parent talks to their child about using the bathroom facilities correctly at Buick. Our cleaners work tirelessly to keep the school hygienically clean, and we do not want these poor habits continuing.

On another note, please do not send pupils to school with PRIME bottles filled with diluting juice. We recognise that there is a trend for these items, but school is not the place for bottles to be promoted. Thank you for your co-operation in moving forward.

Religious Education

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This week, Miss Peters met with our local clergymen to plan Assemblies, Harvest, Christmas and Easter Services. This was a productive meeting which will ensure that the Buick continues to promote its Christian ethos.



In the Community



Dates for Your Diary

Mr McCubbin will be in school each Thursday for woodwind and brass lessons and Miss Bell will be in each Friday for strings. Please ensure your child has their instrument and music with them on the correct days. Thank you.

Parent Interview slots will be released next week via ParentMail. Please ensure you book your slot!

Monday 9 th October	P3 After School Club (4/4)
	3pm - 3:45pm = Choir Practice
Tuesday 10 th October	3pm - 3:45pm - Netball Training
Wednesday 11th October	2pm – 3pm & 3pm – 4pm = Buick Ju-Jitsu Club
Thursday 12 th October	P6 Swimming (3/10)
	Disney Movie Night - details to follow via ParentMail
	3pm – 4pm – Football Training (P4–P7)
Friday 13 th October	3pm - 4pm = Rugby Training (4/5)
Monday 16 th October	School Nurses in Buick to complete Flu Vaccination Programme
	P2 After School Club (1/4) - Booking Details will follow on ParentMa
Tuesday 17 th October	3pm – 3:45pm – Hockey Training after school
Wednesday 18 th October	Harvest Service
	Nursery's Autumn Walk
	2pm - 3pm & 3pm - 4pm = Buick Ju-Jitsu Club
Thursday 19 th October	P6 Swimming (4/10)
	3pm – 4pm – Football Training (P4-P7)
Friday 20 th October	Harvest Lunch
	3pm ~ 4pm = Rugby Training (5/5)
Monday 23 rd October	P2 After School Club (2/4)
Wednesday 25 th October	PUPILS FINISH AT 1PM - Parent Interviews
Thursday 26 th October	PUPILS FINISH AT 1PM - Parent Interviews
Friday 27 th October	PUPILS FINISH AT 1PM - Parent Interviews

**New Events will be added in bold each week!

With the weather changing, please ensure your child always has a coat and appropriate footwear as they will be engaging in outdoor learning.

Wishing you all a relaxing weekend.

Kind regards, R. Peters (Acting Principal)



Community Newsletter

Cullybackey Area Signalling & Level Crossing Renewals

Welcome to our Community Newsletter, providing you with an update on the work we have been doing in your local community as part of the Cullybackey Area Signalling and Levels Crossing Renewals Project.



CULLYBACKEY COLLEGE CAREERS PRESENTATION

International Women in Engineering Day is about promoting the work that women engineers are doing. Linked to this, Translink was delighted to have the opportunity to deliver a talk to pupils from Cullybackey College about the opportunities available for careers in the engineering sector in Northern Ireland, including through our own graduate programmes.

COMMUNITY & SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

Translink has supported the delivery of two intergenerational projects between Cullybackey Community Partnership and Buick Memorial PS. This includes planting at the nursery and a group reading project. As part of these initiatives, Translink has donated books and arts and crafts, as well as garden supplies, such as wildflowers, planters and vegetables.



SEATING & SIGNAGE AT THE ORCHARD

Translink are pleased to see progress in delivering new seating and signage at the local 'Orchard' land off Old Cullybackey Road. As a result of Translink's collaboration with Cullybackey Community Partnership, local suppliers were sourced to deliver seating and signage to help with the regeneration of this land for the benefit the whole community.





RAIL SAFETY WEEK

As part of Rail Safety Week between 26th June and 2nd July, we were delighted to speak with P4 to P7 children in Buick Memorial PS. This included a virtual reality camera and headset to demonstrate railway safety issues. This is particularly important in the Cullybackey area with the new level crossings now in operation.