



# Buick Memorial Primary School Newsletter

## Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2024



Parents and Carers,

On Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March, Buick had the pleasure of hosting The Lyric Theatre's 'Wastebusters'; An Eco Musical.' The short play is currently touring schools in Northern Ireland and aims to raise awareness of littering and plastic pollution. Primaries 3-5 were invited to watch this innovative, engaging piece of physical theatre that offers a fresh new approach to learning about the environment. Please continue to promote this care for the environment in our local community.





### Netball

On Tuesday, Mrs Hunter and Mrs Nicholl accompanied our netball team to the Seven Towers Leisure Centre to compete in a local tournament. Our girls won four games and drew 1 match which took them into the semi-finals where they were unfortunately beaten 2-0 by St. Brigid's and St Mary's Primary School. Our girls had a great time and thoroughly enjoyed the competitive nature of the tournament! Well done! 😊



### Nursery Transition to Primary 1

On Friday the Nursery children continued to develop their familiarity with the school layout by going on an adventure to Miss Peters' office! They enjoyed asking lots of questions and they walked throughout the school corridors very quietly. Well done! 😊



### Eco Committee

We have some exciting news for you! We are taking part in the 15<sup>th</sup> year celebration of Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel, the UK's largest inter-school cycling, walking, wheeling and scooting challenge. The challenge runs from 11-22 March 2024. It's free to take part and we would love everyone to be involved.

#### **What do you need to do?**

Encourage your child(ren) to walk, scoot or cycle to school on as many days as possible during the event.

#### **Why we are taking part?**

Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel is a great way to build physical activity in children's daily routine which is important for their physical health and mental wellbeing.

Active school runs also help to reduce congestion and air pollution outside the school gate. [A 2021 YouGov study](#) showed nearly half of UK children worry about air pollution near their school. Children thought active travel was the best away to bring down these pollution levels. Plus there will be a prize for the class with the most recorded active travel journeys.



#### **Useful resources**

To help you prepare, Sustrans has developed a handy free guide to walking, cycling or scooting to school. It is packed with advice to help you have hassle-free journey to school.

[Download your free family guide](https://www.sustrans.org.uk/sign-up-to-receive-your-free-school-run-guide/) using this link: <https://www.sustrans.org.uk/sign-up-to-receive-your-free-school-run-guide/>

For more information about the event go to [www.bigwalkandwheel.org.uk](http://www.bigwalkandwheel.org.uk) . Enjoy the challenge!





### Spring at Buick

Mr Maybin teaches P3, P4/3, coaches football and rugby and is our Numeracy Co-ordinator at Buick! In the evenings and weekends, he is also a farmer! On Wednesday, he brought one of his lambs to school to share information with our Nursery children who are currently studying Spring as their topic! This wonderful insight was thoroughly enjoyed by all pupils, who had lots of interesting questions!



## Dates for Your Diary - Term 2B

Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	Choir 3pm-3.45pm
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	Eve (Scripture Union) visiting P5 - Amazing Jesus
	Buick Ju-Jitsu - 2pm - 3pm = P1 & P2 & 3pm - 4pm = P3-P7
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	P7 Swimming (9/10)
	Girls' Football match at Fourtowns - NO training
	Eco Club 3pm-4pm
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	3pm - 4pm - Rugby Training for P5-P7 Boys & Girls
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>BUICK CLOSED - NON OPERATIONAL DAY</b>
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	Citizenship
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Primary 1 Health Checks with School Nursing Team
	Eve (Scripture Union) visiting P5 - Amazing Jesus
	Buick Ju-Jitsu - 2pm - 3pm = P1 & P2 & 3pm - 4pm = P3-P7
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	P7 Swimming (10/10)
	Primary 1 Health Checks with School Nursing Team
	Eco Club 3pm-4pm
	Learn with Lauren - Sensory Stories with Nursery pupils
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Primary 1 Health Checks with School Nursing Team
	P5 - Visit from Fire Authority
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Primary 1 Health Checks with School Nursing Team
	Choir 3pm-3.45pm
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Primary 1 Health Checks with School Nursing Team
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter Service with Rev. Moffett
	<b>Term 2B concludes - Buick will close at 12 noon - NO JU-JITSU</b>
	Easter Holidays will operate from Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March - Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> April (inclusive)
	Term 3 begins on Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> April 2024

Have a lovely weekend!

Kind regards,  
R. Peters  
(Acting Principal)