



Buick Memorial Primary School Newsletter

Friday 18th October 2024



Dear Parents and Carers,

We were delighted to welcome Rev. Clements to our Harvest Service this week. Our choir performed two beautiful pieces, 'Let us Share' and 'Waiting for the Sun'. Leah and Jessica skilfully played Charpentier's 'Prelude' on their violins. You can listen to these wonderful performances on our school Facebook page.



Class of the Week -P7B

This week in P7B we have been working hard in all areas of the curriculum. The class has been writing their adventurous spy stories which included villains, henchmen and a last minute hero. In Numeracy, the pupils have been working on area and perimeter of irregular shapes.

We had a visit from Mid and East Antrim Museum to look at historical artifacts from over 100 years ago and learn about Matilda Knowles and her collections. Several members of the class sang and performed at this week's Harvest Service.

Next week we look forward to going to Cambridge House to watch Beauty and the Beast. There is no rest in P7B, with plenty going on and we are definitely looking forward to the half term holidays!

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Mid and East Antrim Museum visited to talk about local history and important local people.



In ICT we have been researching Fairtrade and making an interactive PowerPoint.



In numeracy we have been looking at area and perimeter.

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 about a child out of school hours, you can talk to a Social Worker at the Social Services Gateway Team on 0300 1234 333.

Buick Football

On a sunny autumnal day, a team of eleven P4 to P7 children took part in the first tournament of the season. The team talked about starting fast and working together. That is exactly what they did!

A strong performance in the group stages meant a very encouraging finish as runners-up. This meant a place in the Semi-Finals. A very spirited performance by the team led to an unfortunate loss to a strong Ballykeel side.

The team can hold their heads high due to their efforts and they were very deserving of their place in the Semi-Final. The future is bright!

We look forward to our friendly with Carniny in November and the upcoming three rounds at the Fourtowns tournament.



Dining Centre

On Monday 21st October we will be offering the New Week 3 Menu. School dinners remain at £2.60. If your child has any food allergies or intolerances, our Dining Centre must be informed, and a Special Diet Form completed and discussed with Janet Smyth, Head of Buick Dining Centre.

On Wednesday 23rd October we will be serving a special Harvest Buffet lunch! This consists of:

Ham & cheese sandwiches

Chicken nuggets

Cocktail sausages

Apple/orange juice

Pumpkin shortbread

Parent Interviews

A gentle reminder that P1-P7 will finish at 1pm every day next week to facilitate Parent Interviews. This is wonderful opportunity for you to talk with your child's teachers about their learning and development. Partnership working is the key to successful outcomes and we are very thankful for your continued support in all things Buick.

In order for the afternoons to run smoothly, please ensure you are ready to receive your call at the allocated time. Additionally, please keep to time limits as Buick staff have a number of calls to make.

P2 Healthy Eating Promotion

Primary 2 enjoyed their visit to Dayfresh in Cullybackey village last week. The children delighted in learning about the wonderful varieties of fruit and vegetables and wrote about their outing as part of their Literacy Recount genre. We would like to extend a huge thank you to the staff at Dayfresh who presented our pupils and staff with fantastic fresh fruit goody bags. They were delicious! 😊



Instructional Writing in P3/2

P3/2HK have been learning all about writing instructions. They recently made their own bird feeders using cereal and pipe cleaners and then hung them in the grounds for the birds to enjoy. The children were even lucky enough to make another one to take home for their own gardens. To link this curricular learning, the pupils will then write the instructions so someone else can enjoy making a bird feeder too!



Buick Nursery's Harvest Performance

Our amazing nursery children performed 6 songs for their families and friends today! We don't normally have such an event at Buick, but this wonderful occasion is testament to how well they have settled into Nursery life and reflects their readiness to learn, grow and develop. Well done boys and girls! 😊
 We are also very excited about their musicality and performance abilities, and we know that they will continue to excel throughout their learning journey at Buick. Thank you to all the parents and carers who have embraced new experiences and opportunities. Your partnership working is greatly appreciated.



Dates for Your Diary

Monday 21 st October	Mr Brown's Musical Pathways Buick Nursery finishing at 10:45am for Parent Interviews Buick pupils finishing at 1pm for Parent Interviews to take place
Tuesday 22 nd October	P7 pupils to Beauty and the Beast at CHGS Buick Nursery finishing at 10:45am for Parent Interviews Buick pupils finishing at 1pm for Parent Interviews to take place
Wednesday 23 rd October	Buick Nursery finishing at 10:45am for Parent Interviews Buick pupils finishing at 1pm for Parent Interviews to take place
Thursday 24 th October	P5 & P6 Roald Dahl Day Coaching For Christ in Buick Jo Jingles visiting Nursery Buick Nursery finishing at 10:45am for Parent Interviews
Friday 25 th October	P6 Swimming 6/10 Buick pupils finishing at 1pm for Parent Interviews to take place Nursery's Pumpkin Party! Buick Nursery finishing at 10:45am for Parent Interviews Buick pupils finishing at 1pm for Parent Interviews / Staff Training
Half-Term Holidays Monday 28th October - Friday 1st November (inclusive)	

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend!

Kind regards,

R. Peters

(Acting Principal)