



BOOKER PARK SCHOOL WEEKLY BULLETIN – Friday 8th March 2024

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Message from the Head of School:

Next Friday, the 15th of March, is Comic Relief. Your child is very welcome to participate by wearing something red if they would like to. Staff will also be wearing something red and sharing their favourite jokes. If you are in a position to make a financial contribution then please do so. Comic Relief focuses on tackling poverty both in the UK and across the world.

We know that for many of our children wearing something different to school can be unsettling, so it is of course absolutely fine if they would prefer to wear their uniform.

Marianne

Introduction to Jo Smith, Booker Park School Nurse:

Following my recent appointment as School Nurse here at Booker Park School, I just wanted to take the opportunity to introduce myself.

My overall role involves the monitoring of any health-related issues and/or concerns that may arise on a day-to-day basis, in relation to your child within the school environment, as well as supporting staff, children and often parents, with children who have underlying medical conditions.

Owing to the fact that some children's health needs are more complex medically than others, it is inevitable that at times, I will have a greater level of involvement with some, more than others, which I am sure as parents you will understand. However, should you have any cause for concern whatsoever, in relation to your child's health and physical and mental wellbeing, please do not hesitate to contact me either via the school office or via email. My email address is: Joanna.smith96@hs.net

My job also includes liaising with other healthcare professionals and colleagues, such as the Community Nursing Team for Children with Disabilities, the Children's Diabetes Specialist Nurse, the Children's Epilepsy Specialist Nurse, in addition to CAMHS, who may be involved in your child's care.

Other areas where I am able to assist include advice and support with toilet training and continence assessments, the ordering of nappies/pads where a child over the age of 5 is not receiving them but is entitled to them, dependent upon their toileting capacity and any amendment required with your current pad order delivery, such as size, type and absorbency of pad. However, please note that I am unable to increase your quota in terms of entitlement.

As a parent myself, who is mindful of the need to reduce wastage and of the current cost of living crisis, I am eager to run a pad exchange in an effort to assist parents, thereby enabling people to trial new sizes and brands of products, prior to orders being placed. Therefore, where people are struggling for space in the event of having received a new delivery and having old unused stock that they no longer require which NRS have failed to collect, any donations would be very welcome.

Thanking you in anticipation and I will look forward to meeting you in the future.

Jo Smith

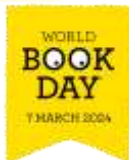
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Class Update:

In Puffin class, we are using playdough in our fine motor sessions. The children are learning to follow along the symbols for the different actions we can do with playdough such as rolling it, squeezing it and, a firm favourite, splatting it! The children are getting very good at responding to the symbols and the adults modelling the actions.



World Book Day at Booker Park School:

Thank you for supporting your child/children to participate in World Book Day this week. Also, a BIG Thank you to the staff for thinking of many different creative ways to explore books to celebrate World Book Day! A few examples are, book hunts across the school, Rainbow Fish and Elmer painting projects and sensory storytelling.



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Several of the staff and children volunteered to be masked readers. They were videoed wearing a disguise sharing a book. The videos were shared across the school to give classes the chance to guess who the masked readers were. Can you guess who these masked readers are? The answers will be revealed next week!

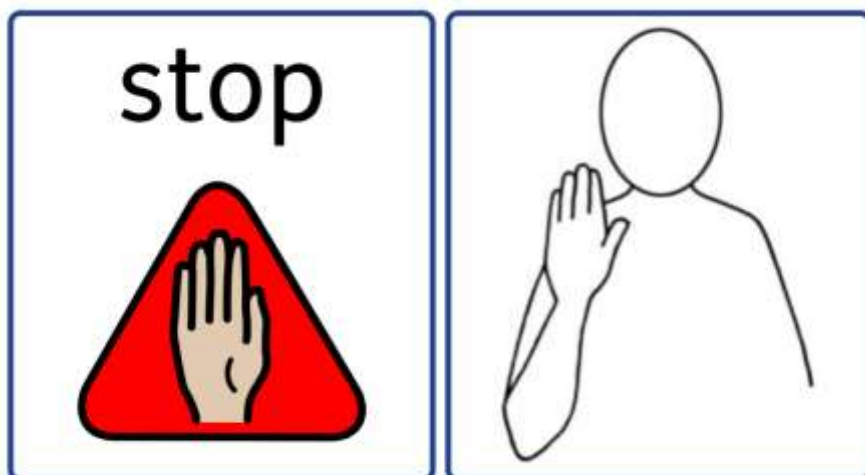


SCHOOL MEAL ORDERING FOR NEXT HALF TERM:



- The Arbor school meals ordering window will be **OPEN from 10am on Monday 11th March to order all school meals** for the next half term (Monday 15th April to Friday 24th May 2024)
- Please access your school meals via the Arbor App or the online Arbor Portal to order your meal choice for your child's school meals
- The menu is available from our website - [click here](#) to view. You can also view guidance notes for the Arbor system here.
- You can choose any meal for any day
- Payment of £3.00 per meal is to be paid via the Arbor App or Portal
- **The meal ordering window for next half term CLOSES at 12pm Monday 18th March 2024**
- Any child without an ordered meal **WILL BE REQUIRED** to have a HOME SUPPLIED packed lunch

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Mental Health Support Team
Buckinghamshire

MALE CARERS GROUP

Lets talk about:
Strategies to Manage Common Childhood Behaviours

Session Overview:

- Arrival/general introductions
- Choices and Consequences
- Communication with our children/teenagers
- Increase confidence in managing child's behaviours
- Q & A/Feedback



Venue: Princes Risborough Family Centre
Wellington Avenue
Princes Risborough
Bucks, HP27 9HY
Time: 6.30pm - 8pm
Date: 21st March 2024
www.oxfordhealth.nhs.uk/camhs/bucks/mhst
bucksmhst@oxfordhealth.nhs.uk
01865 901 566

SEND DANCE CAMP

Medley School of Dance



Wednesday 10th April
10:00am-3:00pm
Wrights Meadow Centre
£25 per student

Suitable for ages 5-18
with SEND and
additional needs

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Get your free Sleep Tips Booklet



Our Sleep booklet introduces and explains different techniques for tackling common sleep problems. It covers ten main topics including bedtime routines, daytime napping, comfort objects and moving bedtime backwards or forwards. It gives lots of illustrated hints and tips for putting the techniques into practice.

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We're the charity dedicated to helping families who have a child with a brain condition discover a better life together.

Children with brain conditions often have trouble sleeping. This might include:

- Refusing to go to bed
- Difficulty going to sleep
- Not wanting to sleep alone
- Waking up during the night
- Waking up early
- And lots more...

In this leaflet, we explain several different techniques that may help your child's sleep and give lots of hints and tips for putting them into practice.

Inside:

1. Bedtime routine
2. Calming time
3. Sleep environment
4. Positive sleep associations
5. Using a comforting object
6. Gradual withdrawal/retreat
7. Moving bedtime backwards
8. Moving bedtime forwards
9. Rewards
10. How to reduce daytime naps

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Spring 2024 Theme: Trust and Respect	
Date	Event
Monday 11 th March	School meals ordering window opens from 10am
Friday 15 th March	Comic Relief
Monday 18 th March	School meals ordering window closes at 12pm
Monday 25 th March	Comic Relief Dance Festival: Puffin, Owl, Heron, Bluebird, Wren, Magpie, Swan
Tuesday 26 th March	Comic Relief Dance Festival: Parrot, Swift, Chaffinch, Hummingbird, Raven, Blackbird, Wagtail
Wednesday 27 th March	Comic Relief Dance Festival: Skylark, Dove, Starling, Goldfinch, Robin, Penguin, Sparrow
Thursday 28 th March	Comic Relief Dance Festival: Jay, Firecrest, Red Kite, Kingfisher, Nightingale, Jackdaw, Woodpecker
Thursday 28 th March	Makachat Café at Stocklake Park School
Thursday 28 th March	Last day of term
Easter Holidays 29th March – 12th April	

Have a great weekend.

Bradley Taylor
Principal



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