

# **Ballaugh Bulletin**



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### Friends of Ballaugh School

The FoBS AGM is being held on Tuesday 11th February at 6pm.

As you may know several of the committee roles are currently held by Year 6 parents who will be leaving later this year, so it is essential for new volunteers to come along to the AGM.

In 2024 FoBS raised approx. £5,000. The money raised benefits all the children at Ballaugh School to pay for buses and trips for every class, leavers hoodies and trophies, treats such as end of term ice creams and Christmas presents, workshops and visitors to school such as our MSR PE coach, Young Engineers, Children's Pantomime, Lempen Puppet Theatre and much more.

Without the funds raised by FoBS, children may not be able to enjoy all these activities in the future and parents would be asked to subsidise the cost of trips and transport.

<u>FOBS Anniversary Ball</u> Hopefully you are aware that FoBS are holding a black tie ball on 28th February 2025 at The Comis. Last date to pay for tickets is 26<sup>th</sup> January, please contact Sophie Cowley-Hardy.

<u>Co-op community Fund</u> - if you or someone you know has a Co-op Membership please choose FOBS as your cause, the more people that choose us the more money we will raise towards the outdoor learning area. To choose us as your cause please visit <a href="https://membership.coop.co.uk/causes/93667">https://membership.coop.co.uk/causes/93667</a>

<u>Easyfundraising</u> - have you heard about easyfundraising? By signing up and selecting FoBS as your cause we are able to receive a donation when you shop online with participating retailers. Copy and paste the following link into your browser to find out more:

FOBS (Friends of Ballaugh School) Fundraising | Easyfundraising

#### **Snacks**

We would like to encourage you to send healthy, low-sugar snacks in for your children. Please also remember that no food items containing nuts should be brought into school.

Please remind children not to share food with others and to wash their hands before and after eating.

#### NAME LABELS

Please can you make sure all your children's uniform, coats, PE Kit, water bottles, bags, lunch and snack boxes are named.

#### Dinner Money

Please ensure all payments for school dinners are made in advance and check your ParentPay accounts regularly to ensure funds are available.

The cost of school dinners is £2.55 per day, the total cost for this half term will be £76.50.

## School Calendar

Clubs

Early Morning Sports MSR Friday Years 1 & 2 8.10am - 8.40am

Weekly Activities

Swimming Wednesdays Class 3 & 4
PE Fridays Whole School
Mobile Library (fortnightly) Fridays Whole School

Dates for Diaries

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup>- Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February

Police Visit Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January
Mobile Library Friday 17<sup>th</sup> January
Lempen Puppet Theatre Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January

Mobile Library Friday 31st January

School Governors' Meeting

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February

Friends of Ballaugh School AGM

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February

MSPCA Animal Day

Mobile Library

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February

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Half Term Monday 17<sup>th</sup>- 21<sup>st</sup> February

Mobile Library

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February

FoBS Black tie Dinner

World Book Day

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March

KS2 National X-Country Championships

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March

Red Nose Day Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March
Last day of Spring Term Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April

Please note: All school events are subject to cancellation if deemed necessary.

#### School Admissions

Children's Mental Health Week

If you, or someone you know, has younger children that are due to start Ballaugh School in the next few years please can you contact the school office for a registration form to help us with future planning.

#### **MSR**

We would like to welcome our new community coach Dan, who will be joining us from this week to take all the children for their PE sessions each Friday.

Dan will also be taking the Year 1 & 2 early morning sports club.



Thank you for all your donations for Rebecca
House at our Christmas Performance.

The total raised was a fantastic £258.36.

### Autism & Social Communication Service

Support Group for Parents/Carers and Families

## JANUARY DROP IN SESSIONS

POP IN FOR A HOT DRINK, PIECE OF CAKE AND A CHAT

## a different brilliant



Tuesday 7th January Kelvin Dawson Community Hub (Peel Football Club) 1pm-2.30pm
Wednesday 15th January Jurby Community Centre 9.30am -12pm
Thursday 16th January Centre 21 (room upstairs - lift available) 1pm-2.30pm
Tuesday 21st January Victoria Road School Community Room 1-2.30pm

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