



RAYYAN IS FLOURISHING SOCIALLY AND ACADEMICALLY IN THE CARING ENVIRONMENT OF BUTTON LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Sobia and Faraz live in Manchester with their sons, Shahzain, aged 13, and Rayyan, aged six.

HAPPY AT SCHOOL

Sobia and Faraz are delighted with the way their son Rayyan has made new friends at Button Lane Primary School. Rayyan had struggled socially at school in Pakistan and had found it difficult to make friends and they were keen for him to be accepted by the other children at Button Lane. Sobia says: "Rayyan loves going to Button Lane now and he is doing very well academically. We have been amazed by how kind his class teacher is and how friendly the other children have been to him."

HELPFUL TEACHER

Rayyan started at Button Lane Primary, which was opposite where the family were living, after they moved from Pakistan to Britain. Sobia says: "We used to think Rayyan wasn't naturally as friendly as his older brother, Shahzain, but now he's become much more outgoing and he has made some friends and is very happy at his new school. We think his class teacher has played a vital role in this because she helped him adjust to the school and make friends with the other children."

NEW FRIENDS

Sobia and Faraz were amazed that Rayyan settled in so well at Button Lane from the very first day he joined. "Now he loves going to school each day because his teacher has looked after him by putting him to sit with different sets of children. This has helped him to make new friends," Sobia says. "Rayyan's class teacher has gone above and beyond with him to help him settle in. Rayyan now tells us he loves going to school and that he loves his teacher and his friends."

EXCELLING AT MATHS

"Rayyan is now doing so well academically that he has brought home an award for being the best student in his class. His teacher has told us how pleased she is with his ability in Maths. She calls him her 'human calculator' and has told us she thinks he is exceptionally good at the subject," she says.

ENJOYING READING

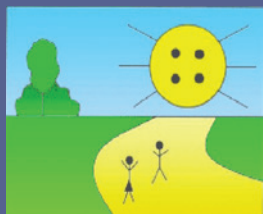
Rayyan struggled with his reading, but he has made a lot of progress because of going to the reading club after school, Sobia says. "He enjoys doing his homework at the weekends and loves bringing a reading book home with him to read. He is happy to do any work he has been set and particularly enjoys learning a whole sheet of spellings. He gets full marks in spelling tests every week and is given an achievement award to bring home. He is very excited and enjoys showing it to the entire family. This award motivates him to learn his spellings every week and keep getting full marks."

ENCOURAGING TALENT

Rayyan enjoys drawing and painting at school and will also do it at home. "He has always enjoyed drawing and sketching since he was very young and he is naturally very artistic, but his new school have been encouraging him to develop his talent," Sobia says.

FUN IN THE PLAYGROUND

"We think the school grounds are very good and we're pleased there is plenty of space for the children to play in and lots of good equipment in the playground for them to use. Rayyan now loves playing football at school. We are very happy with Button Lane Primary and think Rayyan's class teacher is the best teacher we have ever come across. She has done a lot to make sure he has settled in at the school and is happy there. Rayyan has told us that he is never bored when he is at school."



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CHILDREN SAY

Rayyan says:

"I love my teacher and playing with my friends at playtime. I also enjoy doing Maths in class."