

BURFORD SCHOOL



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## Newsletter

Dear Parents/Friends/Guardians

18<sup>th</sup> July 2008

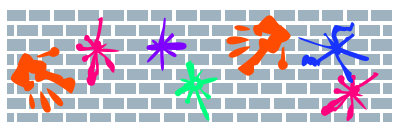
**It's the end of another year and once again it has gone incredibly quickly. It has been a year full of achievements which has included sporting, musical and creative development. I would like to say thank you to all of the staff who have worked so hard all year - they all really deserve their holiday! Thank you to all the Governors and FOB for putting in so much time, effort and support. Thank you to you the parents. Without your support the school could not go on flourishing and I hope you all have a super summer! We look forward to seeing everyone who is returning on September 3rd after a relaxing break!**



### Goodbyes

We say goodbye this year to a number of people. Mrs Wroe, Mrs Cole, Mrs Crawford, Miss Carter, Miss Platfoot and Mr Vyner will all be moving on to pastures new. We wish them all well for the future and hope they will pop in and see us sometime.

Good luck to all the children in Year 6 who will be moving onto their new schools; they are a fantastic crowd and we will miss them very much. We hope they will remember their time here as special and we look forward to them coming back to visit! We also say goodbye to two of our longstanding governors Mrs Pattie Beresford and Mrs Di Lavers. They have both been members of the governing body for more years than they care to remember! Thank you for all their hard work - we will miss their support and advice and we wish them well.



### Gel

The Gel DVDs should be available on Monday, so if you put an order in please could you now send in your payment. We have managed to produce the DVDs at just £1.50 each. Thank you to Mr Kemp for producing the DVD master and to Mrs Hunt for making the copies.



### Helping Parents Tea Party

Everyone who has helped at school during the past year should have received an invitation to tea and cakes on Monday 21st at 1.30pm in the hall. If you have not already done so please RSVP the office so we can be sure of numbers.



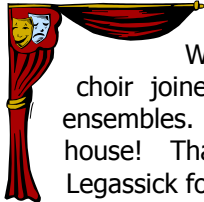
### Wedding News

Congratulations to Mrs Gail Humphreys and Miss Catherine Loveridge! We wish Gail Humphreys all the best for the future. She will be getting married to Tim tomorrow and will be known as Mrs Courtney-Baughan when she returns to school. We also wish all the best to Miss Catherine Loveridge who will be getting married to Simon in August and will be known as Mrs Willis.



### **KS2 Show**

The Year 3 & 4 production of The Pied Piper of Hamelin was superb! The performance was very slick and professional and the singing was delightful. I was particularly impressed by the two part harmonies and solos. The acting was very realistic and the colourful costumes added to the whole terrific performance. Thank you to all the Year 3 and 4 staff for all their hard work.



### **Choir**

Well done to all the children who performed at the Wycombe Swan earlier this week. The choir joined 20 other schools in choral singing and many of our instrumentalists took part in ensembles. The rendition of 'World in Union' was breathtaking and there wasn't a dry eye in the house! Thank you very much to all the children who performed and also to Miss Hicks and Miss Legassick for all their hard work.



### **Uniform**

Thank you to Jennie Murphy who has taken home the mountain of lost school uniform, washed, ironed it and returned all named items to their owners. Please, please, please make sure you check the lost property bins if your child has lost any items of uniform. Mrs Murphy has put in a request that uniform has class names marked as well as the child's name as this will make returning lost items easier.



### **FoB Disco**

Thank you to FoB for organizing the school discos last week. Oscar was on form and the children all had a wonderful time. Thank you particularly to Helen North and Rachael McNamara.



### **SATs**

Attached to this newsletter is a sheet explaining the SATs grades, as we had a number of requests from parents for an explanation of the results.

### **SATs Results**

We are delighted with this year's KS2 SATs results! Our English results were outstanding Level 4+ was 95% with 68% of children achieving Level 5. Maths was equally as good with 95% of children achieving Level 4+ with 63% achieving Level 5. Science was even better with 97% of children achieving Level 4+ and 80% of children achieving Level 5.



### **PE Kit**

If you have any old PE kit (PE T-shirts/shorts/plimsolls) we would be very grateful to receive them as children frequently forget to bring their PE kit to school. If your child forgets their PE kit and borrows some from school please could you wash and return it as soon as possible. Thank you.



### **New or amended dates in bold**

### **Dates for your Diary**

### **2008**

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July  
Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July  
Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July

Tea Party for parent helpers PM  
Bobby Graham concert – whole school  
End of term – school closes for summer

**Autumn Term 2008**

Wednesday 3rd September-Friday 24th October  
Monday 3rd November-Friday 19th December

**Spring Term 2009**

Tuesday 6th January-Friday 13th February  
Monday 23rd February-Friday 3rd April

**Summer Term 2009**

Monday 20th April-Friday 22nd May  
Monday 1st June-Friday 17th July  
(Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June – Inset Day)

**Yours Sincerely**

**Mrs. K Whittington**  
**Headteacher**

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