



Newsletter

Dear Parents/Friends/Guardians

1st April 2010

Staffing

We say goodbye today to Mrs Sheila Langston who has worked at the school for over 30 years! We thank her for all her hard work and shall be very sorry to see her go – it will seem very strange without her! We also say goodbye to Mrs Catherine Willis today. She is relocating to Cambridge with her family and we thank her for everything she has done for Burford and wish her well for the future. Also we say goodbye to Mrs Sarah Duffy today. She will be moving on to another job and we wish her well.

Tesco for Schools and clubs Vouchers

Tesco are running their voucher scheme until the end of June. Our focus this year is ICT and we are hoping to exchange our vouchers for equipment that will support ICT across the curriculum. We need as many vouchers as possible and would appreciate any that you are able to donate.

Many thanks.

Sue Kime

Guitar Lessons

A reminder that classical guitar lessons will start on 22nd April and electric guitar lessons on 28th April.

Achievements

Y5 did brilliantly last week and won the Y5 football tournament! Well done to all the team – Conor Kipping, Philip Burnett, Max Boreham, Tom Godsoe, Archie Callaghan, James Thetford, Matthew Jones, George Phillips, William McCubbin and Ben Baldwin-Pask. Also well done to our netball team who tried really hard against St Augustines' and in the tournament last night against St Peters, Holy Trinity, and Danesfield. Their skills are improving and they all played with great team spirit.

The Year 6 boys football team played well against Carringtons and the Year 6 Girls football team did extremely well in their league, reaching the semi-final stage.

Well done to Daniel Moynihan who was awarded a plaque and medals for Player of the day and Sports person of the day from Sports Idol and Wycombe Wanderers and also for passing his proficiency Gymnastics test at Cygnets Gymnastic Club. Well done to Andrew Wroe, Haadiyah Jhetam, Leyla Catalagac, Sam Sharp, Jack Watson, Matthew Lowden, Laura Batten, Charlotte Batten, Ben Robinson, Lauren Cornwall, Ronja Cordes, and William Heppell for all achieving their 9th Kyu, Advanced white belt in Karate, and particularly to William Heppell in recognition of the most improved student on the course! Well done to Ben Bravo for achieving his Level 4 trampolining award and Harvey Ashley for achieving the British Gymnastics Award level 7. Well done to the KS1 Gymnastics team – Jamil Shepherd, Harley Taberer, Jess Ferguson, Ela Misra, Jamie Chick and Ruby Higgins who won the KS1 Marlow Schools Gymnastics Competition with a special mention to Ruby Higgins for being the Best Year 1 Gymnast from Burford School.

Easter Egg Competition

Well done to everyone who entered the Easter Egg competition! The winners for KS1 were Dhani West in 1st place, Brandon Wheal in 2nd place and Jamie King in 3rd place. KS2 1st place went to Dylan Lovell, 2nd place to Caitie McNamara and 3rd place to Lizzie Keenan.

Message from the School Travel Team

We are delighted to announce that Burford School has been awarded Level 3 again this year for our commitment to school travel by Bucks County Council. Thank you to all children and parents, without whom this would not have been possible.

We do still need more parents to be trained in Footsteps from Reception/KS1. County is running the next morning course on Thursday 13th May in High Wycombe - other dates at other locations in Bucks are available too. Please contact Vanessa Hill if you would like to attend. For those parents already trained, you will be contacted at the start of next term and hopefully we can start to take the children out as soon as term commences. Many thanks.

Message from some Burford Mums

Great Marlow School ran a netball tournament in March for mums from all the local schools. Burford School was represented by Dorn Kipping, Chris Lavis, Vanessa Hill, Sue Crane, Vanessa Marston, Rachel McNamara, Rachel Desmond, Amanda Swordy, Claire Edwards and Caroline Tipler (and Debbie Heppell had to pull out through injury). Everyone played fantastically well, although we didn't get through to the finals. The two teams who did get through from our half of the draw (Holy Trinity and Danesfield) went on to win the whole competition (Holy Trinity) and came second (Danesfield)!

This competition will take place again next year and we'd love to hear from you if you'd like to join us for a bit of a giggle! We are having a team night out on Monday 26th April to discuss holding a few friendly games amongst ourselves going forward. Please contact Dorn Kipping or Vanessa Hill if you are interested.

Message from FOB

PLEASE come along to our AGM on Wednesday 21st April at 8pm. We are desperate to hear your ideas on what events you'd like us to run and also how we should spend the money we raise! Some key members of FOB are leaving this year and ,without more volunteers coming forward, we may have to limit the fantastic events we run for your children/you in the future. Even if you can't commit much time (nearly all current FOB members work full time), whatever you can do will be gratefully received. Many many thanks.

The Royal Visit!

As part of the Year 6 Creative curriculum we linked in our literacy letter writing and our history topic learning about the queen with an end of term tea party. The children were lucky enough to have a visit from the queen and enjoyed drinking their tea and delicious cakes.

Wycombe Swan

The Year 3 choir children performed brilliantly at Wycombe Swan Theatre on Wednesday 17th and Friday 19th March. They were part of a large choir singing a new musical called "Strike", and lots of parents who saw the show said how well the children had sung and danced in front of such a large audience. A few children also had speaking roles and they said their lines confidently and clearly. Well done everyone!

Trip to the Brewery

In Science Year 6 have been studying micro-organisms and learning about yeast. As part of this the children went to visit the local brewery to see it being used in real-life purposes!

'The Ugly Duckling'

Well done to everyone in Y3 and Y4 who put on a highly successful performance again this year! The costumes were excellent and the acting, dancing and singing delightful. Thank you to all the staff who helped make this a pleasure to watch.

Mini-Enterprise Competition

After a few practise runs in school, the most successful Year 6 team was chosen to represent Burford in the Business Enterprise Competition at Cressex. As part of the Business, the children have roles of Manager, Accountant, Administrator, Worker, Quality Assurer and Buyer/Seller and are responsible for designing, making and selling a set product. Although we didn't win, the team produced some fantastic products and worked brilliantly together. Well done to Harry Scurlock, Freya Bull, Charlotte Dunn, Hugh Crowley, Alice Carter, Freya Holliman, Maia Sethi and Joe McNamara.



New or amended dates in bold

Dates for your Diary

Monday 19 th April	Term Starts
Wednesday 21 st April	FoB Meeting 8.00 – 10.00pm
Monday 26 th April	Bike to School Week
Monday 26 th April	Y5 PGL to Osmington Bay
Friday 30 th April	Oak Class Assembly 8.50 – 9.20am
Monday 3 rd May	Bank Holiday
Wednesday 5 th May	Yr 3 choir Theatre Trip
Monday 10 th May	KS2 SATs week
Friday 14 th May	Parent Forum
Monday 17 th May	Walk to School Week
Monday 17 th May	Y6 PGL to Barton Hall
Tuesday 18 th May	FoB Bag2School
Friday 21 st May	Juniper Class Assembly 8.50 – 9.20am
Friday 21 st May	Year R trip to College Lake Tring
Tuesday 25 th May	FoB Meeting 8.00 – 10.00pm
Wednesday 26 th May	Years 4, 5 & 6 Choir Theatre trip
Thursday 27 th May	End of first Half-term
Friday 28 th May	Training Day
Monday 7 th June	Term starts
Tuesday 8 th June	Year 2 trip to Mudeford
Tuesday 8 th June	11+ meeting for Y5 parents 7.00 – 8.00pm
Friday 11 th June	Beech Class Assembly 8.50 – 9.20am
Saturday 12 th June	FoB Camping
Monday 14 th June	KS1 Sports Day 9.30 – 1.00 (inc. picnic lunch)
Tuesday 15 th June	KS2 Sports Day 9.30 – 3.00 (inc. picnic lunch)
Thursday 17 th June	Year 4 Urenco Science Workshop
Friday 18 th June	Sequoia Class Assembly 8.50 – 9.20am
Monday 21 st June	Reserve KS1 Sports Day 9.30 – 1.00 (inc. picnic lunch)
Tuesday 22 nd June	Reserve KS2 Sports Day 9.30 – 3.00 (inc. picnic lunch)
Wednesday 23 rd June	Ward-Hendry class/team photographs
Friday 25 th June	Elm Class Assembly 8.50 – 9.20am
Saturday 26 th June	Parent Forum
Monday 28 th June	Rose Carnival
Tuesday 29 th June	Reserve KS1 Sports Day 9.30 – 1.00 (inc. picnic lunch)
Wednesday 30 th June	Reserve KS2 Sports Day 9.30 – 3.00 (inc. picnic lunch)
Thursday 1 st July	FoB Meeting 8.00 – 10.00pm
Friday 2 nd July	Summer music concert
Monday 5 th July	Y5 O2 Rehearsal - Brentwood
Tuesday 6 th July	Sycamore Class Assembly 8.50 – 9.20am
Tuesday 6 th July	Reports out
Wednesday 7 th July	Helping Parents Tea Party
Wednesday 7 th July	Induction Day for Y6 children at new schools
Wednesday 7 th July	Y5 O2 Concert
Friday 9 th July	Class swap around to meet new teachers PM
Tuesday 13 th July	New Reception Parents meeting in Hall – 1.30
Wednesday 14 th July	Open Evening 6.00 – 8.00pm
Thursday 15 th July	Willow Class Assembly 8.50 – 9.20am
Wednesday 21 st July	UKS2 Dress Rehearsal 1.00 – 3.00pm
Academic Year 2010/2011	UKS2 Concert 7.00 – 9.00pm
Wednesday 1 st September	UKS2 Concert 7.00 – 9.00pm
Thursday 2 nd September	Term Ends 1.30pm
Friday 22 nd October	Training Day
Monday 1 st November	Term starts
	First half-term ends
	Training Day

Tuesday 2nd November	Term starts
Friday 17 th December	Term ends
Tuesday 4 th January	Training Day
Wednesday 5 th January	Term starts
Friday 18 th February	End of first Half-term
Monday 28 th February	Term starts
Friday 8 th April	Term ends
Wednesday 27 th April	Term starts
Friday 27 th May	End of first half-term
Monday 6 th June	Training Day
Tuesday 7 th June	Term starts
Friday 22 nd July	Term Ends

Yours Sincerely



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Headteacher

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