

# School News

'Enjoy, Achieve, Succeed Together'



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## Headteacher Awards

Well done to everyone who received a Headteacher's Award last week!

Holly – Tara

Sycamore – Teddy

Pine – Max

Oak – Harper

Chestnut – Pearl

Elm – Gracie

Beech – Bella

Cedar – Ashleigh

Juniper – Rayan

Willow – Maisie

Cherry – Brianna

Sequoia – Rupert

Hawthorn – George M

Ash – Lottie

## Millionaire Readers Awards

Dear Burford families,

What a lovely end to the term. This week we have had the pleasure of STEM week. The children have engaged in numerous workshops, investigations, maths challenges and even stargazing at the stars under the planetarium canopy in the hall! Thank you to everyone who organised STEM week and to the parents for supporting this week's enrichment opportunities.

Well done to the Year 6 children, staff and parents helpers this week. Their trip to the Tower of London was "epic" according to one child in Y6 and I have been told that their behaviour was excellent. Year 5 had a wonderfully sunny time in Woodrow, please find the feature in the newsletter... thank you to all the Burford Staff who made this possible. And, if that wasn't enough, Year 2 were busy in Windsor Castle on a trip cosying up with royalty!

The Year 2's spring assembly was absolutely brilliant this week – I am always blown away with their confidence and ability to enrapture an audience at such a young age. Well done also, to Year 4. Their assembly to parents and the whole school last week was heart-warming.

Congratulations to all the Easter bonnet entries this year – they were very creative and very hard to judge. Well done to all our winners.

Also, a HUGE well done to Alexandra in Ash class, whose WOW badge design for 2025/26 was selected as a winning design out of thousand entrants! Her design will appear on next year's badges and in addition, her design has brought up to £500 worth of resources for Burford School – what a wonderful legacy to leave Burford. Well done Alexandra and congratulations!

It is with sadness that today in assembly, we said farewell to Mrs Corvan who is leaving us today to return to Northan Ireland with her two lovely Burford children, Annie and Cianan. We wish the Corvan family all the best for the future and hope to see them all again one day in the future. All that remains to be said is... have a wonderful Easter break and we look forward to welcoming you back on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April!

Take care,

Mrs Marshall  
Headteacher

## Message from Chair of Governors

I can't believe we're already at the end of another term! Although the lovely weather at the moment makes it easier to believe that the summer term is only just around the corner.

The term has been rounded off nicely with another outstanding STEM week. My son has been coming home every day buzzing to tell me all about what he's been up to! Well done to all the staff who have worked so hard to put together such a variety of fun, fascinating and informative activities.

As governors, we've also seen some exciting stuff in English and maths this term. A group of us spent a morning in school in January to see the new approach to English in action. We saw some superb lessons and all the children were engaged, enthusiastic and excellently behaved – a credit to you all! I also enjoyed coming into school on TTRS Day in February to see some of the interhouse maths workshops in KS1 and KS2. The children I chatted to were absorbed in some really challenging problems, putting into practice all of their maths skills and knowledge and using some super teamwork at the same time.

As ever, music continues to be at the heart of Burford. Congratulations to all of the children who sang so brilliantly at Young Voices, and thank you to the staff and parent helpers who made it possible. I hear that the spring concert was also fabulous, so well done to all of the children who took part. I'm sure there were a lot of proud parents in the audience!

On behalf of the governors, I'd like to wish all of our staff, children and parents a Happy Easter. We hope the break is relaxing / fun / over quickly (delete as appropriate, depending on your viewpoint!) and, at the very least, full of chocolate.

Sally Hillyer

Chair of Governors

## Year 1 - Eid

On Wednesday afternoon, Year 1 were lucky enough to have some visitors. Mrs Ahsan and Mrs Zaman came into talk to the children about Eid.

They listened to lots of facts and heard a story and then had a go at making some henna patterns on paper.

They were keen to try the samosas and cupcakes and were disappointed to hear that they were just for the teachers!

They enjoyed learning about the festival and we would like to thank Mrs Ahsan and Mrs Zaman for their time and enthusiasm.



## Easter Bonnets

Thank you to everyone who created an Easter bonnet. We had a lot of egg-cellent creations and they egg-celled our expectations! Here are some of your eggs-traordinary bonnets.

### Easter bonnet competition winners!



**Well done everyone!**  
**Congratulations to:**

Josh in YN  
Emmett & Esther in YR  
Orri & Peggi in Y1  
Theo & Grace in Y2  
Aoife & Valentina in Y3  
Miles & Gretel in Y4  
Max & Annie in Y5  
Kaya in Y6

Congratulations to everyone that entered and to the winners of each year group.

## Year 5 - Woodrow

### Year 5's Unforgettable Trip to Woodrow High House

Between Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> and Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March, our Year 5 pupils had an amazing adventure at Woodrow High House, Amersham, where they embraced the great outdoors with enthusiasm and teamwork. The trip aimed to build their team working and problem-solving skills. From the moment they arrived, the children threw themselves into a range of exciting activities, working together to tackle challenges that tested their resilience and cooperation. The children demonstrated excellent enthusiasm for all of the activities.

The beautiful weather provided the perfect backdrop for their adventures, but that didn't stop them from getting delightfully muddy as they explored the grounds!

Jack from Cherry class commented, "My favourite activity was Nightline, because you can't see!"

One of the highlights of the trip was the delicious food, which kept everyone fuelled for their action-packed days.

James from Cherry class summed up his feelings about the residential, "Woodrow was an amazing opportunity to learn lots of new skills. All the activities were great. The dormitories were great and the campfire was very fun!"

Annie - When we arrived, we had a tour of the house and completed a scavenger hunt to help us find our way around the grounds. Each group also took part in create stack. We were able to work on our team work skills to see how high we could climb; we had to work well together and communicate clearly. We also had a campfire where we heard stories and song lots of songs. Crate stack was my favourite!

Elizabeth - I really enjoyed going through the tunnels because it was really dark so I had to use lots of courage and resilience to make to the end. Another fun memory was when we completed the nightline course. There was a huge puddle which had a large height, width and depth. It went inside my shoes and coat! I want to go Woodrow again!

Whether it was navigating obstacle courses, lighting campfires, or solving fiendish puzzles, the children showed incredible determination and support for one another. Their positive attitudes and teamwork made the experience even more special, creating memories that will last a lifetime. Well done, Year 5!



## STEM Week

The children have had a fantastic time participating in lots of STEM related activities this week. You will be able to read about some of the activities they have done in our first Newsletter after the Easter break.

## Year 2 – Windsor Castle

On Monday, Year 2 visited Windsor Castle as part of their history learning.

They walked around the Dolls House and State Rooms where they spotted statues and portraits of Queens Elizabeth I, Victoria and Elizabeth II.



They enjoyed lunch time together before taking part in a Meet the Monarch workshop. In this workshop they learnt about King Charles' school life and his hobbies of art, music and farming, then they re-enacted the coronation service.

They also learnt that when the monarch is not in residence, Windsor Castle flies a Union Flag, and when the monarch is in residence, they fly the Royal Standard. We were so excited to see the Royal Standard flying in the afternoon!!! Unfortunately, King Charles (nor Prince William) came to see us.



The children showed great respect by quietly walking through St. George's Chapel. They were amazed to see the height of the vaulted ceilings and the colourful mosaics of Prince Albert's Chapel.

Finally, they observed the guards patrolling through the castle. One of them couldn't stop

## After School Clubs

For a full list of After School Clubs offered at Burford, please visit our website

As well as the sports clubs offered by Burford, we have a number of additional clubs run by external providers, including sports, outdoor activities, arts and craft. For full details of these clubs, their information leaflets and how to book can be found on our website ([www.burfordschool.co.uk](http://www.burfordschool.co.uk) / Parents / School Clubs).

The Outdoors project choose some exceptional club members to win their termly Outdoors Ambassador Award for their efforts in the club. Congratulations go to Maisie and Noah. Maisie always has a smile on her face and brings everyone's mood up. They can rely on Maisie to set a good example for everyone at the Outdoors Project after school club. Noah Has consistently shown positive improvements from last year with his listening and engagement. He is always ready and excited to get started each week.

## Summer Fayre – Save the Date

We are delighted to announce that we will be holding our school Summer Fayre on **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June**, 3.30pm-5.30pm.

Over the next few weeks, we will be meeting with the parent reps and providing you with more details.

We are hoping as many of you as possible will help to make this successful by attending the event, helping at stalls and contributing items for our stalls and raffles.



## School Council

This week School Council has been working hard to support the Great British School Clean Up. Along with Mrs Marshall they litter picked in the park and on the playing fields before completing a sweep of the school grounds. Lots of the children have now been inspired to have a go and are using the litter pickers during lunch and break to help keep Burford clean and tidy.

Mrs Fowler Marsh  
Eco Schools



## Parent Forum

The next Parent Forum meeting will be on 5th June 2025. If you have any feedback, please complete the Google Form below.

Mrs Marshall will be reviewing the notes on 23<sup>rd</sup> May to feedback to the Class Representatives at the meeting.

These notes will then be shared with all stakeholders afterward the Parent Forum meeting.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfO3UndSoe4UdnnglpQ97-D5sh5x5DPfnwyKUvXcC9QQImBx2A/viewform?usp=dialog>



## School Contact Details

Following on from our previous communications, if you need to contact the school, please do so using either of the methods below:

**Email:** [office@burfordschool.co.uk](mailto:office@burfordschool.co.uk)

**School Mobile:** 07598 250888

**CONTACT US**

## Gift of Opportunity

The Gift of Opportunity Fund runs every academic year to raise income for projects of immediate need around the school.

The projects funded will enhance and broaden the educational experience of the pupils at Burford.

In order to meet the ambitions of the school to maintain an outstanding education and to build an equivalent environment for all pupils of Burford to enjoy during their time here, donations from the Burford family are essential as the state funding meets only the minimum requirements.

If you would like to donate to the gift of opportunity fund, please email [office@burfordschool.co.uk](mailto:office@burfordschool.co.uk)

Friday 6 June 2025

Friends of Burford

Present...

*Elsie Crumpet's*



**BINGO**  
**BONGO**

Join us for a hilarious evening of Bonkers Bingo, TV Game Shows & audience participation. All with fabulous prizes!!



Ticket includes:

- 2 hours of comedy Bingo
- A delicious paella dinner
- Your first drink- Cheers!
  - Bingo cards

**Ticket price £35**

Cash Bar

Venue: Burford School. Marlow Bottom SL7 3PQ

Doors open: 7.00pm Carriages: 11.30pm

Comedy Age Rating 18+

Tickets go on sale 10am 4 April

[www.ticketsource.co.uk/fob](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/fob)



## Cool Milk

Free milk is available for all children under the age of five in school, funded by the UK government.

In our school, this milk is provided by Cool Milk, the UK's leading school milk supplier.



When your child turns five, you are able to pay a subsidised rate for your child to continue to receive milk.

If you wish for your child to continue receiving milk from the age of five, simply register with Cool Milk directly via their website ([www.coolmilk.com](http://www.coolmilk.com)).

## Music lessons

Many KS2 children at Burford enjoy learning to play a musical instrument. If your child would like to start learning an instrument in September, our instrumental lessons are offered through Bucks Music Trust (BMT), who provide instrumental tuition during school hours. Children will be taught for 33 lessons during the academic year, spread over the 3 terms. Lesson times are arranged on a rota basis to minimise the effect of missing the same class English/maths lesson each week.

If you would like to apply for lessons, or would like any further information, please contact Bucks Music Trust or **complete the BMT application form online at <https://www.bucksmusic.org/book-lessons-2/>**

## Pupil Premium

Pupils whose parents/guardians are in receipt of the following, maybe entitled to Pupil Premium funding:

- Income Support (IS)
- Income based Job Seeker's Allowance (IBJSA)
- An Income Related Employment and Support Allowance Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual income of no more than £16,190
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The Guaranteed Element of the State Pension Credit (GE)
- Universal Credit with an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400 (UC)

To enable us to check your child's eligibility, please complete the application form, which can be found on the school website and return it to the school office.

If you are eligible for Pupil Premium, please read our Pupil Premium Strategy on our website to discover how we can support your child at Burford School.

## Medication

If your child requires medication to be kept in school, please bring this to the school office on the first day of term, with a completed healthcare form (please note that a new form is required for each academic year) [Burford School \(primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com\)](http://BurfordSchool(primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com)).

Any medications that come into school need to be brought to the school office by the parent. We are only able to administer medications prescribed by a doctor and they must have the prescription label on them.

If you require the school to administer antibiotics, we are only able to do this if the medication is required 4 times a day. Please bring the medication to the school office, with a completed form:

[Burford School \(primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com\)](http://BurfordSchool(primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com))

If you have any questions regarding the medical needs of your child, please see Mrs G in the front office.

## Upcoming dates

For term dates, please visit:

2024 / 2025 - [Burford School \(primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com\)](https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com)

2025 / 2026 - [term-dates-2025-2026.pdf \(primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com\)](#)

Spring Term Calendar Dates:

[2024 - 2025 calendar.xlsx](#)

Please do not hesitate to contact the school office if you have any questions or comments regarding any of the events.

## Polite Reminders

**Do not walk up or down the school drive – it is not safe at any time of the day. Please use the pedestrian entrance and fenced off walk way.**

### School gates

Children should be dropped off at school ready for the start of the school day at 8.40am. Please ensure that you have left the school site before 8.50am after school drop off, as this is when the gates will be locked. The side gate to the playing field car park will not be unlocked during the school day, so if you are attending for a meeting, please ensure that you use the main school gate.

### Lunch boxes / snacks

**Please do not give your child sweets, crisps, nuts or chocolate bars as their snack, or sweets or chocolate bars in their lunch boxes.**

### Parking

To help keep our children safe, please do not stop on the zigzag markings when collecting or picking up children or turn around at the entrance to the school drive. Please also note that the school car park is **strictly for staff only**.

When collecting your children from school and from after school clubs, parents **should not park in the school car park**. There have been a number of occasions where cars have been too close to the children and other cars have been blocked in and have been unable to leave when needed. **Please use the playing field car park or park along the main road.**

**Please do not leave your engines running when waiting for your children at pick up and drop off.**

### Hard Copies of letters

Where possible, if we require a form to be completed, we will always endeavour to provide this as an electronic form so that parents are not required to print these at home.

On the occasions where this will not be possible, if you require a printed copy, please let the school office know and they will be happy to print a copy for you.

### Medication

If your child requires any medication to be kept in school, please ensure that the medication is brought to the school office with the appropriate forms. If your child takes regular medication such as inhalers, please make sure we have the medication and that it is in date. We are only able to administer prescribed medications.

### Dogs

Dogs are **not** permitted on the school grounds at any time. This includes dogs walking or being carried.

## Weekly Letter Summary

### Week Commencing 24<sup>th</sup> March

#### Whole School

Summer Term After School Clubs – [Burford School](#)

For information regarding our clubs which are run by external providers, including how to book a place, please visit our website [School Clubs | Burford School](#)

Summer Term Calendar dates – [2024 - 2025 calendar.xlsx](#)

#### Reception

Height and weight measurements – [bucks-school-year-r-ncmp.pdf](#); [parentportal-infographic-final-1.pdf](#)

Church Visit- <https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/burford-school-marlow/UploadedDocument/1969b65c-61a9-4183-95a8-fe9a9517f49e/church-trip.pdf>

Woolley Firs- <https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/burford-school-marlow/UploadedDocument/da4abc2a-c4af-4bd9-8479-c2e02be8a1ab/woolley-firs.pdf>

#### Year 1

Maidenhead Synagogue- <https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/burford-school-marlow/UploadedDocument/e30ead00-6fa7-4e67-beba-d6a867008a14/maidenhead-synagogue.pdf>

#### Year 2

Year 2 assembly to parents - [year-2-assembly.pdf](#)

#### Year 3

Braywick- <https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/burford-school-marlow/UploadedDocument/a56911d4-8285-4028-a12a-d49a06f2c6f8/braywick.pdf>

PSHE- <https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/burford-school-marlow/UploadedDocument/a8acd927-1b9d-42f2-8bcc-c96da450a30f/pshe-relationships-y3.pdf>

#### Year 5

Year 5 – Breadmaking at GMS - [breadmaking-letter.pdf](#)

#### Year 6

Liddington - please complete the Google form by Monday 31st March -

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSegfn6kgXM9Q3GDpcDgBaeyQ8Ci0Abcfnr9a2VVQMDn3WIoCw/viewform?usp=dialog>

### Week Commencing 31<sup>st</sup> March

#### Whole School

School Lunches - [school-lunches.pdf](#)

PE – [pe-summer-1-2025.pdf](#)

Summer Term After School Clubs – [Burford School](#)

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Summer Term Calendar dates – [2024 - 2025 calendar.xlsx](#)

#### Nursery

Sun Cream – [Burford School](#)

#### Reception

Reception Post-screening NCMP parent letter -

Woolley Firs- <https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/burford-school-marlow/UploadedDocument/da4abc2a-c4af-4bd9-8479-c2e02be8a1ab/woolley-firs.pdf>

Door Change- <https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/burford-school-marlow/UploadedDocument/692bb1ee-63e1-496c-8cb6-a169c20fdc40/entrance-change.pdf>

#### Year 1

Maidenhead Synagogue- <https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/burford-school-marlow/UploadedDocument/e30ead00-6fa7-4e67-beba-d6a867008a14/maidenhead-synagogue.pdf>

PSHE- <https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/burford-school-marlow/UploadedDocument/6f45425c-0c02-4c20-bcc3-fea1716c16a5/pshe-y1.pdf>

#### Year 3

Braywick- <https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/burford-school-marlow/UploadedDocument/a56911d4-8285-4028-a12a-d49a06f2c6f8/braywick.pdf>

PSHE- <https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/burford-school-marlow/UploadedDocument/a8acd927-1b9d-42f2-8bcc-c96da450a30f/pshe-relationships-y3.pdf>

#### Year 4

PSHE – [Burford School](#)

#### Year 5

Year 5 PSHE - [year-5-pshe.pdf](#)

Year 5 Breadmaking at GMS - [breadmaking-letter.pdf](#)

#### Year 6

Year 6 PSHE - [Burford School](#)

Year 6 Summer Term - [year-6-summer-term.pdf](#)

Leavers Hoodies- <https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/burford-school-marlow/UploadedDocument/f749cd55-e297-4ffd-9777-de18e776e2c8/burford-school-2025-leavers-hoodie.pdf>