

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 – Holly K

Sycamore – Isla S

Pine – Casey

Oak – Lily H

Chestnut – Anastasia

Elm – Zac

Beech – Jacob

Cedar – Freddie

Juniper - Caitlin

Willow – Renee

Cherry – Charlotte

Sequoia – Mila

Hawthorn – Kara

Ash - Charlie

Dear Burford families,

Thank goodness the weather seems to be on the up, if only in temperature and not in brightness. We have managed to spring six leaks across the school, three internally and three externally. I know they say things happen in threes but... I wanted to say a huge thank you to parents for their vigilance with noticing some of the leaks and bringing them to our attention. Thank you also to Black and White who were superstars in getting on site super quickly to shut the water supply off. Running a school is always a team effort 😊

Congratulations to our new Digital Leaders – we are super proud of them taking on this leadership role in their classes. Also, well done to Burford's netball team who played an excellent home game against Claires Court. Thank you to Mrs Sterio and Miss Fearon for organising the event. Outside school, I am delighted to let you know that we have an ice-hockey star in our midst. Albie in Year 4, trained last weekend with the English National Team and is considered one of the top 48 child players in England – impressive!

Thank you to all our families who have worked hard on improving their child's school attendance since the start of term. As you know, this is one of our school's targets and we appreciate your support in reaching the schools 96% or better goal.

Have a lovely weekend, whatever you do. Stay warm and we shall see you next week.

Best wishes

Mrs Marshall
Headteacher

Digital Leaders

We have had a number of very strong applications for the role of digital leaders and the following children have been appointed:

Year 3 – Aoife and Lex

Year 4 – Elizabeth and Gretel

Year 5 – Amelia, Annie and Charlie

Year 6 – Shree and Kairo

This is an extremely important role where the children will have the following responsibilities:

- To promote Computing and Online-safety across the school
- To become experts in all things digital, including using coding programmes
- To support teachers and pupils in using technology in the classroom
- To trial new apps and programmes before they are used in lessons in order to provide feedback.



TT Rockstars



On Friday 14th February, Burford School will be having Times Tables Rockstars day. We are going to invite children to dress up as Times Table Rocks Stars and we will promote the importance of learning your tables.

To raise funds for the NSPCC, we ask students for a voluntary £1 contribution dress up for the day! Please try to reuse and recycle items of clothing that you already have, perhaps with some spiked-up hair and fun accessories!



Extra Curricular Sport

Congratulations to Albie in Year 4 who was selected to attend an ice hockey training session with the England National Team earlier this week. Being selected for this session means that Albie is considered to be one of the top 48 players in the country for his age group!

Albie had a fantastic day and played brilliantly. His team came a valiant 2nd place after a really close 3-2 loss in the final with the other team scoring with only 20 seconds left in the game!

Well done Albie!



Netball

On Wednesday the year 5 and 6 netball teams played their first match of the season against Claire's Court at home. We had 13 players from across the two year groups, all of whom were nervous but very excited to get on court.



The girls played with determination, enjoyment, resilience and fantastic sportsmanship throughout the match and won overall 7-2.

This was a great experience for all the girls and we are really looking forward to our upcoming matches against some other local schools.

Uniform

If you require school uniform, our Friends of Burford (FoB) sell second-hand uniform as well as costumes for year group theme days (Victorian, Florence Nightingale, Viking, Roman, Egyptian and Nativity).

FoB hold regular sales after school which are generally held on the first Friday of each term however, if you require anything in the meantime, please email FoB directly at uniform@friendsofburford.org.uk

Cash, Card or Bank transfer donations are accepted.

Alternatively, uniform can be purchased from Sports Crest in High Wycombe instore or on-line.

[Burford Primary School | SportCrest](#)



PTA Announcement



Happy Bag

Collection: Friday
14th Feb
Donation drop off:
from 8am 13 Feb



Quiz Night

Saturday March 8th
Tickets available
soon, start planning
your teams!



Bingo Night

Friday June 6th
SAVE THE DATE!

This is a new event
and is going to be
really fun! We
desperately need
helpers, please GIT.



Committee Mtg

Wednesday 5th Feb,
8pm, ONLINE - GIT
for link



Football Tournament

Date TBC
Start planning your
teams now!



Get In Touch/More Info: 07951 009 626

School Applications

Nursery School Applications

We still have a few places available for this academic year. If you would like to apply for a space, please submit your applications as early as possible. Application forms to join our Nursery are available on our school website or from the school office. Please note that we are able to take children after the first term they turn 3 years old.

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/>**

Parent Representatives

The dates for the Parent Forum meetings for this academic year are:

6th February 2025 (please submit any questions to your Parent Rep before 31th January)

20th March 2025

15th May 2025

12th July 2025



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 \(primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com\)](https://www.burford-school.com/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 \(primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com\)](https://www.burford-school.com/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://www.burford-school.com/primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com)

2025 / 2026 - [term-dates-2025-2026.pdf \(primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com\)](https://www.burford-school.com/primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/term-dates-2025-2026.pdf)

Spring Term Calendar Dates:

[2024 - 2025 calendar.xlsx](https://www.burford-school.com/primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/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.

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).

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

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

School Mobile: 07598 250888



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.

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 6th January

Whole School

Spring Term – [spring-term.pdf](#)

PE - [pe-spring-term.pdf](#)

Outdoor project afterschool club - [Burford ASC Spring 2025](#)

Art Club - [art-club.pdf](#)

Pre-loved football boot scheme – [pre-loved-football-boots-scheme-2025.pdf](#)

Please can you ensure that you send your child into school everyday with a named warm coat, named hat and named gloves for playtimes.

KS1

Mastering Numbers - [mastering-numbers.pdf](#)

KS2

Netball - [get-set-netball-after-school-club-spring-term-2025-new-members.pdf](#)

Coding Club - [Logischool School Partnerships](#)

Reception

Peppermint snowballs – [peppermint-snowballs.pdf](#)

Year 3

Swimming- <https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/burford-school-marlow/UploadedDocument/1839ed8d-c97c-4519-98dc-3151e8ab56c2/swimming-reminder.pdf>

Roman Day- <https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/burford-school-marlow/UploadedDocument/0c220cc5-b2fd-4ebc-b4bc-d647e726fc04/roman-day-reminder.pdf>

Year 4

Living Rainforest - [the-living-rainforest.pdf](#)

Year 5

Woodrow - [woodrow-january-letter-2025.pdf](#)

Online Safety – [fao-parents-in-year-5-and-6.pdf](#)

Year 6

Online Safety – [fao-parents-in-year-5-and-6.pdf](#)

Week Commencing 13th January

Whole School

PE - [pe-spring-term.pdf](#)

KS1

Mastering Numbers - [mastering-numbers.pdf](#)

KS2

Netball - [get-set-netball-after-school-club-spring-term-2025-new-members.pdf](#)

Coding Club - [Logischool School Partnerships](#)

Year 3

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Year 4

Living Rainforest - [the-living-rainforest.pdf](#)

Year 5

Woodrow - [woodrow-january-letter-2025.pdf](#)

Woodrow Kit list- <https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/burford-school-marlow/UploadedDocument/19919ee9-e1ba-4f15-81da-6c6b5793da5d/woodrow-kit-list.pdf>