

School News

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Headteacher Awards

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

Pine – Liam

Oak – Scarlett

Chestnut – Lochlann

Elm – Zachary

Beech – Archie

Cedar – Tyler

Willow – Ethan

Cherry – Cameron

Sequoia – Mila

Ash – Kairo

Hawthorn – Jax

Dear Burford Families,

Thank you for all your kind donations and support for the Christmas fayre, they are most appreciated. I am delighted to tell you that the winner of the chocolate Christmas line this year goes to...



WILLOW CLASS!



A super well done for your efforts and in return, you will get an extra play at your teacher's discretion.

It would appear that Year 4 are having a wonderful time at the moment. Not only did they go to Great Marlow School last week to make delicious Christmas cakes as part of their Design & Technology curriculum, today they are dressed up as Vikings in the hall immersed in their history topic! Thank you to the Year 4 team and parent helpers who, with their support, make these rich curricular events possible.

As you are aware we are working really hard to improve children's attendance here at Burford. When your child is recorded as 'late' in the morning, that affects their overall attendance. With the weather being unpredictable at the moment, please allow extra time to leave your homes in the morning so that all the children are in school by 8:40am. Thank you for your support.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Marshall
Headteacher

Burford Celebrates Christmas

The Christmas fayre is fast approaching **Saturday 30th November from 11am-2pm!**

We are hoping as many of you as possible will help to make this successful by attending the event. There will be food and drink stalls, Santa's grotto, craft stalls, Christmas games, tombola's and the opportunity for children to use their pocket money to buy a Christmas gift for family or friends.

Dates for the Christmas activities can be found below:

- Friday 22nd November – Raffle tickets returned. If you would like more, please ask at the office. There is still time to donate a prize too!
- Monday 25th November – Christmas Tree put up in the hall
- Wednesday 27th November – Filled socks returned
 - Please fill a clean sock with small toys/sweets and give them to your class teacher by Wednesday 27th November. The filled socks will be hung like stockings and available to purchase at the Christmas fayre.
- Saturday 30th November - Burford School Christmas Fayre (11am – 2pm).
Don't forget to beat the queues and buy your wrist bands in advance from the office for the Christmas fayre. £1.00 an adult 50p a child
- 2nd – 12th December – Smores
- Monday 9th and Tuesday 10th December – Reception and Year 1 Nativity
- Friday 13th December – Christmas Jumper and Christmas lunch day
- Monday 16th November – KS1, Y3 and Y4 church visit
- Monday 16th November – FOB children's Disco
- Wednesday 18th December – Year 5 and 6 church visit
- Wednesday 18th December – Nursery Christmas party in the school hall
- Thursday 19th December – School closes for Christmas break at 1.30pm

Year 4 – Christmas cake making

On Thursday 14th November, Year 4 visited Great Marlow School to make Christmas Cakes. Mrs Cadogan demonstrated the process step by step, and then the children were sent off to make their cakes. The children listened carefully and proved to be wonderful bakers! Eggs were cracked, mixtures were stirred and most of the batter ended up in the cake tins! At the end of the session, the children enthusiastically washed up their bowls and utensils.

We will be returning to GMS in the first week of December to decorate our cakes.

Both classes enjoyed the experience of being in a secondary school setting for D & T. We would like to say a big thank you to the parents who walked with us, GMS and Mrs Cadogan.



Sports Fixtures

Running

Race 3 – Lightwater Country Park

The running club children (and parent helpers) braved the cold weather yesterday to take part in the third running event of the season at Lightwater Country park. Despite the freezing conditions, the children all performed brilliantly. Many thanks to the parent helpers who assisted at the event and to the family members who came along to support the children.

Future events:

- Race 4 – Braywick Park – Thursday 30th January 2025

For the upcoming running season, in order to meet adult/child ratio and to be able to attend these meets, we will need some assistance at the races from some parent helpers. If you are able to help, please complete the Google form below:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScyM9MnIjv9dKTehCdrIJdKWSwIV-4tF4mmkbNc8kJBZUgj3w/viewform?usp=sf_link

Spots and Odd Socks

Last Friday, Burford school had odd socks and spots mufti to raise awareness and money for Children in Need and anti-bullying week. As well as wearing mufti, the children had an assembly where they were told the importance of both of the events. They were even treated to a visit from Pudsey Bear.

Thanks to all of your generosity, Burford School raised a fantastic £385 which was split between both charities.



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.

Primary School Applications

Applications for Bucks primary schools opened on 1st November. If you, or someone you know is looking for a school place to start Reception in September 2025 please do contact our school office. If you would like to apply for a place at Burford, or know someone that would, please contact the school office to book in for a school tour.

Secondary School Applications

For secondary school places in September 2025, the application deadline is now closed. You will receive your school allocation from Bucks on 3rd March 2025.

Viking Day

Today, Friday 22nd November, Year 4 took part in a Viking Day. All of the children arrived in school in their amazing outfits!

The school hall was set up as a Viking Village and the children were able to spend time at the different parts of the village making items that they can then take home.



Weaving, candle making, necklace hammering, crafting clay runes and even creating medicines were amongst the activities on offer! Viking stories were told and battles were held.



In the afternoon, the children turned into archaeologists and took part in digs at each table where they found items from the past. We had a fantastic day and learnt so much!

Thank you to all of the parents who came to help on the day!

Parent Representatives

Many thanks for the questions and comments submitted for the Parent Forum meeting this week. Your feedback is invaluable to us and very much appreciated.

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

12th December 2024 (please submit any questions to your Parent Rep before 5th December)

6th February 2025

20th March 2025

15th May 2025

12th July 2025



BARNARDOS

Real Love Rocks



NEW SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS & DISABILITIES (SEND) EDITION NOW AVAILABLE

Barnardo's knows that much more needs to be done to protect children from Child Sexual Abuse, Exploitation and Online Harms. We have produced Real Love Rocks, a ground-breaking education and awareness-raising programme, developed by our Safer Futures Trauma Services, with support from the NWG Network, BILD and NAS. Promoting children and young peoples rights to healthy, consensual and safe relationships.

PRIMARY, SECONDARY & SEND HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS & EXPLOITATION EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES

The second edition of Real Love Rocks Healthy Relationships and Exploitation Educational Resources have been produced with the statutory Relationships and Sex Education guidance in mind. They cover lots of the issues covered in the updated Keeping Safe in Education and have been designed in collaboration with young people bravely sharing their stories.

The resources have been designed to help teachers and other professionals educate and talk to children and young people about difficult issues such as consent, grooming, mental health and well-being, technology, bullying, pornography, sexual harassment and appropriate and inappropriate relationships. It raises awareness of different types of abuse and exploitation that children and young people may experience today such as child sexual abuse, child sexual exploitation, criminal exploitation, radicalisation and extremism.

AVAILABLE IN
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LANGUAGE
AND SUBTITLES

Our resources have been developed with young people - making them current, relevant and engaging...

by young people, for children and young people

The resource packs can be purchased by schools and other universal settings working with children and young people and include animations and activities to aid interactive discussion about Children's Rights, Feelings, Brains and Bodies, Healthy Relationships, Being Safe and the Online world in an age-appropriate manner.

As a trauma informed programme there is a new emphasis on all children and young people learning about emotional regulation and creating a support network of safe and trusted people.



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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.co.uk/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.co.uk/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

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

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.

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/>**

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



CONTACT US

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

Autumn Term Calendar Dates:

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

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.



Cool Milk

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).

Friends of Burford

FOB Fundraising



Support our school while shopping online! At no cost to you! It's very easy, here is how...



Burford school is now registered with easyfundraising, which means you can raise FREE donations for us every time you shop online

Over 7000 brands will donate to us when you use easyfundraising to shop with them, at no cost to you

These donations add up and make a huge difference to us, we would really appreciate you taking a moment to sign up and support us. This is what we have raised so far!

Burford School, Marlow

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£4,872.38 raised

132 supporters

It is FREE and only takes a moment.

Which retailers will donate to our school?

There are over 8000 retailers to shop with, including Amazon, eBay, Argos, John Lewis, Trainline, Booking.com, Currys, Aviva, M&S, Debenhams, Waitrose and Direct Line. It means that no matter what supporters are buying online, from travel and holidays to fashion, homewares, insurance and groceries - they can earn free donations

Do you have a browser extension?

Yes! Once you have an account set up on easyfundraising, you will have the option to install our browser extension, which we call our 'Donation Reminder'. It will pop up on every retailer site where a donation is available, so you don't need to remember to come to easyfundraising first!



Join other supporters by using the QR code or by clicking on this link:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/burfordschool/>

Thank you!

If you want to know more click here:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/how-it-works/>

FAQS

How does easyfundraising work?

It changes the everyday online shop into funds for our school. When you use the easy fundraising website or app to shop with the leading retailers, the retailer sends our school a free donation at no additional cost

ASDA and Joe Wicks!

- Let's raise funds for Burford with ASDA and Joe Wicks! In a fundraising campaign, fronted by Joe Wicks, the supermarket is offering to donate 0.5% of the value of any shop done at Asda until 30th November 2024 to customers' primary school of choice – when they shop using Asda Rewards. Add Burford to your ASDA Rewards account to get more funds for our school.

Cashpot for Schools is in addition to earnings generated to your personal Cashpot. *You will continue to receive all earnings into your personal Cashpot* from Star Products and Missions. Please contact your class rep for a link to a short video tutorial that shows exactly how to set this up.

Thank you!

Have a great weekend everyone.

CASHPOT FOR SCHOOLS

Cashpot for Schools

⌚ 8 days left

Burford School
Marlow Bottom, Marlow, SL7 3PQ

UK total raised
£358.76

Last updated on 22 November 24

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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.

Community Events

TRADITIONAL LATE NIGHT SHOPPING

Thursday 5th December 2024

We are warming up for Christmas and delighted to let you know about the Traditional Late Night Shopping evening arranged by Marlow Chamber of Trade and Commerce and what an evening we have in store.

On 5th December, starting at 6pm, the High Street is filled with commercial and charity stalls together with entertainment welcoming thousands of our local community into the town.

Father Christmas will be in his grotto, with live reindeer on guard outside. Various Christmas characters will be looking for photo opportunities. An array of carol singers, music, school performers and Marlow FM will be broadcasting live ensuring a festive backdrop for the whole event.

We will be updating you later with further exciting news of a new attraction.

Any questions, or if you would like to get involved, do get in touch – info@marlowchamber.com.

Please note: Whilst it is business as usual for all shops and hospitality, to enable safe management of the event, the High Street is closed to traffic from 13:00 to 22:00.



**Marlow and District Chamber
of Trade and Commerce**

AARDMAN **Wallace & Gromit** **THE WRONG TROUSERS** *With Live Orchestra* carrot productions

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Saturday 11th Jan 2025 3:30 & 5:30pm
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West St, Marlow, SL7 2BR

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Weekly Letter Summary

Week Commencing 11th November

Whole School

Christmas dates - [upcoming-dates.pdf](#)

Happy Bag Collection- <https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/burford-school-marlow/UploadedDocument/54d063e9-b81d-4988-9c4e-a91567c77242/happy-school-bag-fundraising.pdf>

Christmas Competition- <https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/burford-school-marlow/UploadedDocument/f16cb8c2-73b6-4a05-8d26-48503fe0d480/christmas-competition.pdf>

FOB Children's Christmas Disco - [fob-school-disco-christmas-16-dec-24.pdf](#)

2nd Chance Christmas card order - [second-chance-for-christmas-card-orders-15th-november.pdf](#)

Year 1

Science Oxford- <https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/burford-school-marlow/UploadedDocument/26b25392-a027-40aa-aa95-11b99c6975d6/science-oxford.pdf>

Year 2

From week commencing 7th October, the Year 2 PE days will change to Thursday and Friday. Please ensure you children bring in their PE kit on these days.

Windsor Castle- <https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/burford-school-marlow/UploadedDocument/109866d9-deb3-498f-9af6-c7c40002d53d/windsor-castle.pdf>

Year 6

National weight and height check- <https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/burford-school-marlow/UploadedDocument/2e27f407-2cd3-423a-8356-6f64bb076da1/year-6-national-childhood-measurement-programme.pdf>

National Height and Weight portal - <https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/burford-school-marlow/UploadedDocument/b020cd64-c4c0-4e74-8082-4e8e3e8e041d/parentportal-for-childhood-measurement.pdf>

Bletchley Park - [bletchley-park-year-6-25th-nov-2024.pdf](#) (primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com)

Young Voices Choir - Burford School

Week Commencing 18th November

Whole School

Christmas dates - [upcoming-dates.pdf](#)

Don't forget to beat the queues and buy your wrist bands in advance from the office for the Christmas fayre. £1.00 an adult 50p a child

Children's raffle - Tickets will be on sale from Monday 25th November. If your child would like to buy a ticket, they should give their money to their class teacher in a named envelope.

Smores - [smores.pdf](#)

Happy Bag Collection Reminder- <https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/burford-school-marlow/UploadedDocument/54d063e9-b81d-4988-9c4e-a91567c77242/happy-school-bag-fundraising.pdf>

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John Johnny Breakdance Academy – [john-johnny-school-dance-flyer-2025.pdf](#)

The Outdoor Project After School Club - [Burford ASC Spring 2025](#)

Year 3

History off the pages - <https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/burford-school-marlow/UploadedDocument/3b5bbd9d-75bf-43db-97d0-021aa8a1e81f/history-of-the-pages.pdf>