

# School News

'Enjoy, Achieve, Succeed Together'



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## Headteacher Awards

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

Sycamore – Ivy, Theo, Leo and Erik  
Holly – Leon, Indie, Boden and Daniel

Pine – Luna and Calleigh

Oak – Georgina and Blythe

Elm – James and Scarlett

Chestnut – Amelia and Cecily

Beech – Rosie and Minahil

Cedar – Annabelle and Lola

Juniper – Erin B and Alfie

Willow – Josh and Joe

Sequoia – Elizabeth and Caiden

Cherry – Niamh and

Hawthorn – Zak W and Flossie

Ash – Ollie T and Amelia D

## Millionaire Reader

Alina

Cameron B

Rupert

Henry H

## 2 million words

Felicity C

Henry C

Dear Burford families,

The hall has been a hive of activity this week – even more than usual – with Reception transforming the space into a miniature city, and Year 3 travelling back to Roman times for their Roman Day. Both events were thoroughly enjoyed by the children. A huge thank you to Mrs Hyatt and the EYFS team, as well as the Year 3 staff and parent helpers, for creating these wonderful enrichment opportunities.

In Year 2, the children's writing about the Great Fire of London has been truly inspirational. Their work was so impressive that some of the children visited Year 6 to read their pieces aloud, well done Year 2!

Congratulations also go to our Netball Team, who have been performing brilliantly both at home and away. Thank you to Angel and Rocket for our stylish netball kits, which have a wonderfully 'Adventures' feel to them – perhaps contributing to the team's recent hero-like performances!

Today, we also say a fond farewell to Mrs Rayner, former Burford parent, governor, and now Higher-Level Teaching Assistant, who leaves us after 10 years of dedicated service. We thank her for everything she has contributed to our school community and wish her every success in the exciting ventures ahead.

As we say goodbye to January this weekend, let's hope February brings brighter, and dare I say, warmer, days ahead.

Best wishes,

Mrs Marshall

Headteacher

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Burford School & Nursery, Marlow Bottom

## Year 3 – Roman Day

Year 3 had a fantastic time stepping back in history for their Roman Day!

We were visited by *History off the Page*, who brought the world of the Romans to life through engaging storytelling and a range of exciting, hands-on activities. The children had the chance to explore Roman life in a fun and memorable way, deepening their understanding of what they've been learning in class.

During the day, the children took part in a range of exciting activities. In the morning, we made a range of Roman-themed crafts, including making our own mosaics and traditional Roman games. In the afternoon, we became detectives and investigated the belongings of different Romans. We used all of the clues to try and work out who the people might have been and hunted for the spy amongst them!

The children looked absolutely brilliant in their Roman outfits – togas, tunics, armour and all! A huge thank you to our parent helpers for their support throughout the day and for helping make the experience so successful. It was a wonderful day enjoyed by all.



## Netball

The netball team has had a fantastic start to the year! Over the past two weeks, they've played two matches, winning against another school in Marlow 21-2 and 21-4 —an amazing effort by everyone involved.

Here are the match reports, written by Summer:

### **21<sup>st</sup> January 2026**

*We were playing against a local school and we won 21-1. The game was really fun and overall, a great experience. Both teams played really well and worked very hard. When we were playing, it was raining a lot and we all got soaked. Everyone was very nice and kind whilst playing. Holy Trinity were very good.*

### **26<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

*On Monday we played again at the same local school, this time at home on our playground. The end score was 21-4. We worked very hard. Holy Trinity were really friendly and tried their best. It was really fun and I hope we can play against them in the future.*

The girls also looked the part, proudly wearing their brand-new kit, kindly made by Angel & Rocket.

Well done to the whole team!



## EYFS – Little City



Little City Role Play came to visit Burford on Monday where they transformed the school hall into a wonderful, interactive and inclusive learning opportunity.



The children in Nursery and Reception were given the opportunity to become fully immersed into their role play during the visit developing key skills within the Early Years curriculum.



The children had a fantastic time becoming doctors, vets, hairdressers, police officers and much more!

It was wonderful to see the children so engaged and using their imagination to rein act some of their real-life experiences



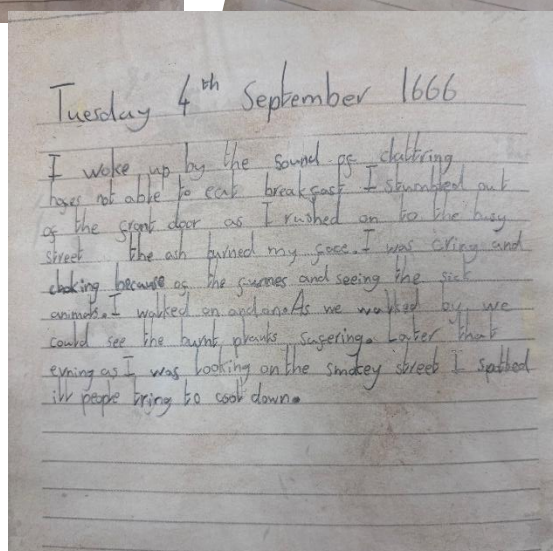
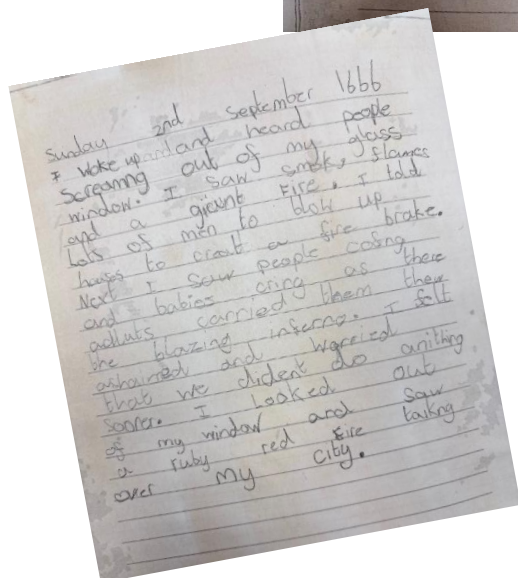
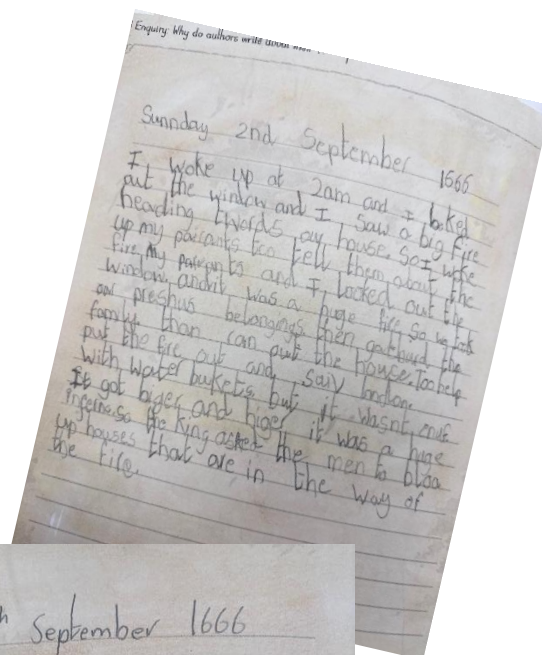
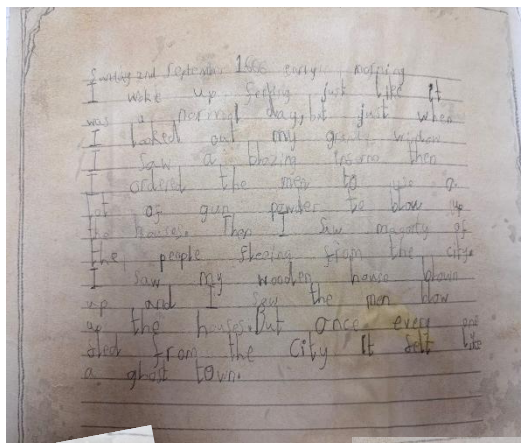
## Year 2 – Great Fire of London

This term, Year 2 have been learning about the Great Fire of London.

The children discovered how the fire started, how it spread, and what life was like in London in 1666.

The children have all produced excellent descriptive accounts and some of the children had the opportunity to read their amazing work to the Year 6 children.

Here are some examples of their work



## Reception Visit from PCSO Chris Bis

The Reception children were very excited to welcome our local Police Community Support Officer, Chris, into our classroom to tell us all about what it's like to be a Police Officer.

Chris explained how he helps to keep people safe. He also reminded us to always have our seatbelts on when we are in a car. It was interesting to learn how Chris' kit and uniform helps him to do his job. We turned the lights out and used his torch to hunt for missing objects. We also heard how his radio works.


The children were brilliant at asking Chris questions to find out more. We're looking forward to a visit from a fire fighter next week.





# SUPPORT OUR LOCAL SCHOOL



Friends of Burford are collecting donations to help raise vital funds for **Burford School**. Thank you so much for **supporting** our community 

Please check below to see what we **can** and **cannot** accept ✨

## WE COLLECT:

-  Adult & children's clothing
-  Paired shoes 
-  Handbags 
-  Belts 
-  Jewellery 
-  Hats 
-  Souvenirs 
-  Toiletries 
-  Unwanted gifts 

## WE DO NOT COLLECT:

-  School uniform 
-  Undergarments 
-  Bric-a-brac 
-  CDs, DVDs or books
-  Rugs or curtains 
-  Household linens or bedding 
-  **DIRTY, DAMAGED OR WET CLOTHES**

Drop off from **Monday 2nd February** as soon as the red gazebo is up outside **The Lantern Church** until **Tuesday 3rd February 09:00am**

Your support really does make a difference – thank you for helping us support our local school ✨

Please spread the word to friends and neighbours.

 Friends of Burford 



Registered Charity 1154863



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# THE BIG MARLOW BOOK SWAP

**Bring and swap your old  
adults and childrens books  
for new ones !**

**All Saints Church Hall,  
The Causeway**

**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2026  
10:00 AM - 3:00 PM**

**Free Entry**

Community event in  
conjunction with our local schools

## Parent Forum

Next terms Parent Forum meeting will be held on **12th March at 9.30am**.

If you have any feedback that you would like discussed at the meeting, please complete the Google Form below, before **2<sup>nd</sup> March**.

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSex0iGcMB9FXyxQoZ7EatRFkleAovb3pM03jCCPUy1880U\\_Q/viewform?usp=publish-editor](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSex0iGcMB9FXyxQoZ7EatRFkleAovb3pM03jCCPUy1880U_Q/viewform?usp=publish-editor)

## After School Clubs

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

If your child is booked into a school club and cannot attend, please inform the school office prior to the start of the club.

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).



## School Applications

### Primary School Applications

We are delighted to offer prospective parents tours of our school fortnightly on a Friday. Please contact the school office to book an appointment:

[office@burfordschool.co.uk](mailto:office@burfordschool.co.uk) / 07598 250888.

## 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)).

## 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.

## 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:

**Absences:** Attendance@burfordschool.co.uk

**Email:** office@burfordschool.co.uk

**School Mobile:** 07598 250888



## 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

## 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.

### 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.

### Dogs

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

## Upcoming dates

For term dates, please visit:

2025/2026 -[Term Dates | Burford School](#)

Calendar Dates:

[Calendar Dates | Burford School](#)

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

## Lost Property

We have already have a large quantity of lost property.

Please ensure all clothing and shoes brought into school are labelled so that it can be returned to your child.

If your child has lost any unnamed items, please check the stamping shelter.

## Parking Permits

If you have reason to require a parking permit or currently have permission to park on school grounds, you will need to submit an application form, and send a copy of your disabled badge, if applicable. We will issue a new permit if the application is valid. [application-for-parking-permit.pdf](#)

To ensure the safety of the children, please note that parents should not be driving in to the school car park during the school day, including for pick up / drop offs for appointments, late arrivals, or to bring forgotten items. Without a permit, the only time that you will be permitted to drive into the school is to collect a poorly child.

## Weekly Letter Summary

### Week Commencing 19<sup>th</sup> January

#### Year 3

Roman Day – [year-3-roman-day-letter-29th-january-2026.pdf](#)

#### Year 4

Please note that after half term, w.c. 23rd February, your children will have PE with Mr Mettler on Thursday afternoons rather than on Monday afternoons.

#### Year 5

Please note that after half term, w.c. 23rd February, your children will have PE with Mr Mettler on Monday afternoons rather than on Thursday afternoons.

### Week Commencing 26<sup>th</sup> January

#### Reception

Field study Council- <https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/burford-school-marlow/UploadedDocument/ed7e33e6-3462-4a98-9090-72b719c1361b/field-studies-council-new.pdf>

#### Year 1

Science Oxford- <https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/burford-school-marlow/UploadedDocument/2f69c374-b12c-473d-9ecb-436c02765fb2/science-oxford.pdf>

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#### Year 4

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Living Rain Forest- <https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/burford-school-marlow/UploadedDocument/c5d571ca-85ab-4c3d-8ce1-cf0924ba5bee/living-rain-forest.pdf>

#### Year 5

Please note that after half term, w.c. 23rd February, your children will have PE with Mr Mettler on Monday afternoons rather than on Thursday afternoons.

#### Year 6

Oxford Castle- <https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/burford-school-marlow/UploadedDocument/1fa35b6c-c493-49a5-a405-940af7d6fb3d/oxford-castle.pdf>