

# **Newsletter**

Friday 19th September 2025

School Website https://www.burfordprimaryschool.org.uk/index.php

Dear Parents/Carers

# Free School Meals/Pupil Premium Children.

We have our annual census on October 2<sup>nd</sup>, the data from this census determines the school's funding for next year. Your child may be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Income Support.
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance.
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance.
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.
- the guaranteed element of Pension Credit.

Should anyone be on a low family income below the threshold of £22,700 for families outside of London with 1 child. £26,300 with 2 or more children. If you think this is you and you have not applied via the school before, please see Mrs Clarke in the office immediately giving her your full name, your date of birth and your National Insurance number.

This is in addition to receiving Universal Free School Meals when in Reception to Year 2 – you still need to apply if the above is relevant please.

**Service Children** – Please let Mrs Clarke know if you are a service family and a new family to our school. We can apply via our annual school census on 2<sup>nd</sup> October to receive a small amount of funding allowing us to give extra support and run a Service Club within school for your child(ren).

### **Named Uniform & Belonging**

Please can we ask all families to name all your child's belongings — all items of clothing, especially coats & jumpers, PE kit, footwear and water bottles. Already early in this new term, we have a mountain of un-named lost property. Without names, we cannot return them to your child.

#### **Read Write Inc Books**

We are missing lots of books in school and finding it difficult to carry out the appropriate lessons. Please have a look at home and bring them into school as soon as possible. Thank you.

# **Giraffes on Tour**

We would like to support Sqn Ldr Graeme Court who is Officer Commanding Globemaster Flight on 24 Sqn, alongside 99 Sqn, making up the C17 operating Sqns within the Air Mobility Force at RAF Brize Norton. On 19<sup>th</sup> October they are looking to complete an event involving as many Toy giraffes aboard a C17 Globemaster aircraft.

<u>Giraffes on Tour</u> was set up in dedication to the memory of Louise Conway who sadly lost her battle with Leukaemia in 2013 aged 9 years old and has over the years raised in excess of £100,000 in aid of Great Ormond Street, we are looking to continue this excellent work with this event.

Please bring your toy giraffes into school ready for collection w/c 13 Oct they will then be returned the following week for you to collect.

My door is always open and if you would like to book a meeting then please do contact the school office,

Happy Friday!

Rachel Veeder Executive Headteacher



Each week we will be giving out certificates to a child in each class who have been 'Burford Best'

Last week they were:Warwick Class - Valentina Pearce Garcia
Windrush Class - Will Sanger-Stewart
Tolsey Class - Jacob Challinor
Wysdom Class - Finley McCracken
Priory Class - Kaitlyn Gill

This week they are:Warwick Class - Amelia Osborne
Windrush Class - Henry White
Tolsey Class - Freddie Townsend
Wysdom Class - Elsie Banton
Priory Class - Connie Hadland



Last week's 'Perfect Presentation' award goes to Blake Cuthbert. This week's 'Perfect Presentation' award goes to Henry Godwin.





# Future dates for your diary:-

**Rags2Riches** – Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September – please bring your old unwanted clothes into school by 9.00 a.m.

Junior Citizens – Monday 29<sup>th</sup> September - Year 6 to Rewley Road, Oxford.

Harvest Festival – Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 9.00 a.m. in Burford Church.

**Census Day –** Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October – menu change to **Burger Day** – see attached menu.

Windrush class trip with Langford's Years 1 & 2 – Batsford Arboretum – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> October

Wysdom & Priory – Cotswold Wildlife Park - Wednesday 8th October

World Mental Health Awareness Day with the theme 'Hello Yellow' - Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October

**Giraffes into school** Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October for flight on 19<sup>th</sup> October- see attached poster.

Halloween Party – FoBPS PTA Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October – times and year groups to be confirmed.

Hinduism Day – whole school – Tuesday 21st October

October half term – term ends Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October – no afterschool club.

**Inset Day** – Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November.

**Term 2 starts** – Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November.

**School Photographer** – Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November from 8.30 a.m. with siblings from outside Burford Primary School

**Open morning for Nursery & Reception Sept 2026** – Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> November 9.30 a.m. – 11.30 a.m.

Panto @ Chipping Norton - whole school Friday 21st November 12.30 p.m. performance.

Parents Evenings – Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> November & Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> November

**FOPBS Christmas Fayre** – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December 3.30 p.m.