

# Burford Primary School Newsletter



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## Head Teacher's Messages

**Cycling Proficiency for Year 5 & 6 children** starts tomorrow (Friday). Good luck to all those children who have signed up to take part in this year's cycling proficiency, week long, course organised by PC Darryn Moulding. Thank you to Darryn for giving up his time and enabling our children to be safe and competent on their bikes.

I attach the next academic year's **term and holidays dates** for information. A reminder that **all holidays should be taken out of term-time**, otherwise you may be subject to a penalty notice being issued/legal action taken by the Local Authority. Please note that school cannot authorise holidays taken during term-time, unless there are very exceptional circumstances. Please take the time to familiarise yourself with the school's Attendance Policy, available in school or via our website.

Jenny Dyer  
Head Teacher

## Warwick Class

**Class Teachers – Mrs Holly Docherty & Mrs Wendy Corless**

This week Warwick Class children are learning about money and the different coins we used to pay for things. This will be supported through role play in our outdoor cafe as well as in class learning through focused activities. We plan on visiting the Co-op to buy some items and pay for them ourselves!

In English, we continue our work on the 'Clumsy Crab' and this focus will be supported through our Personal, Social, Emotional Development (PSED) work where we will be thinking about how we are different to one another.

We only have this week and next week left at Forest School and if you would like to be a parent helper please let us know.

## Windrush Class

**Class Teacher – Ms Nikki Latton**

This week in English lessons the children have been creating their own riddles. They had great fun creating riddles about African animals. We have also thrown in a few World Cup football riddles! In maths the children have been working on problem solving and identifying which calculation they need to choose for one and two steps problems. They have also been working on days of the week, months of the year and positional language.

## Windrush Class cont/d...

During Science lessons, we have started our work on plants. We have been on a plant hunt around the school and found many different types. We then went out and produced some observational drawings of the plants found. We had another super Forest School session with Warwick Class and it was great to see the children making new friends.

## Tolsey Class

**Class Teacher – Mrs Zoë Duff**

Everyone is working very hard as usual and raising their standards higher and higher. I am proud to be their teacher as they all strive to do their best, whatever the task. This week, the children have been tasked with writing a narrative based on a stunning book by Paul Geraghty called Tortuga. The children know their criteria for success which covers synonym use, high quality drafting, re-phrasing, accurate use of varied punctuation, using descriptive devices and presentation. As they work through planning their paragraphs, they will be checking this long list to ensure a successful write that stuns me as I read!

In Maths, the children are applying last week's learning of fractions to word problems which involves adding and subtracting fractions as well as identifying equivalent fractions. Some children are also dividing two and three-digit numbers by 10 and 100, noting the movement of digits and their place value. We are always working on our times tables too and would urge as much practise at home as possible.

**Please save the date** for our class assembly for parents and family on **Monday 16th July at 2.30 pm** in the school hall. We have not started rehearsing yet, but I can report that writing the script is quite an emotional task as I look back over the year we have had together as a class which has been just brilliant.

## Priory Class – Year 5

**Class Teacher – Mrs Jessica Beaney**

During English lessons, we watched a short clip 'For the Birds' and discussed its moral, which was all about friendship and anti-bullying. The children then wrote a persuasive letter to the smaller birds, explaining why they should not be bullying larger birds. Following this we researched bullying, what it is and the different types. This information was then presented as a leaflet. The children have worked hard on these and they look brilliant. As we produced these on 'Publisher' software, the children further developed their knowledge of this programme.

In Maths we have been learning and revising our skills with division. The children have been working hard and persevering with this difficult concept.

## Priory Class – Year 6

Class Teacher – Mr Steve Tattum

Year 6 are struggling to keep their eyes open as they complete their final piece of writing for formal assessment this year.

At the risk of repeating my last newsletter entry, they really are a credit to the school, themselves and you. They work prodigiously hard, every day, without a word of complaint, are continually good humoured, and really look out for each other.

Generally speaking, I imagine most teachers look forward to the end of the year: I'll certainly enjoy a slower start to the day; however, I'm not looking forward to waving farewell to my wonderful class. They will be missed.

## Gold Book Certificates

Awarded Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2018 at 9 a.m

**Corey Walker** for being a great role model in our class. Corey always gives 100% effort in everything he does.

**Xander Ebeling** for being a perfect gentleman; his manners are spectacular!

**Bradley Townsend** for showing increased focus and enthusiasm towards his learning. Bradley has been working hard on letter sounds and showing quick mental calculations in Maths. He has also shown a kind and caring attitude towards his friends and helping them in lessons. We are very proud of you Bradley!

**Kian Hickman Duffy** for showing increasing confidence in reading. Kian enjoys sharing and talking about his reading and has now moved up another book band. Keep up that fantastic attitude towards learning, Kian; we are very proud of you!

**Scarlett Hanks** for a superb piece of narrative writing which showed her consistently high standard of writing, including some great use of synonyms.

**Olivia Lampard** for two outstanding pieces of writing showing a mature use of description and clever phrasing.

**Jessie Howard** for being fantastic! You always persevere with your work and listen attentively. You are a delight to have in the classroom.

**Miley Beck** for working hard during Maths lessons; always asking when unsure and then working hard to apply this knowledge.

**Archie Salisbury** for an excellent report on the worst submarine disasters since 1901!

**Josh Selita** for an excellent (terrifying) investigation into the world's most deadly substances!

## FOBPS

Friends of Burford Primary School

By Lizanne Harris, Chair of FOBPS

FOBPS Treasurer –

I am pleased (and slightly relieved) to announce that FOBPS finally has a new Treasurer; thank you to Sarah Khan (Selina and Anisha's mum) for stepping up and taking on the role.

Sarah comes from an accounting background and is also the Treasurer for the top school PTA; she has many wonderful new ideas and I look forward to working with her. Welcome and thank you Sarah.

Ice Cream Friday

This Friday (22<sup>nd</sup> June), FOBPS will be selling ice creams straight after school, on the veranda.

Summer Raffle

As you know, the summer raffle will be held on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July at 3.10pm on the school paddock. Raffle tickets will be put in your child's book bag this week, for you to sell to family and friends, so please look out for them.

Each ticket costs £1 and we ask that all tickets sold or unsold be returned to either the school office or Lizanne Harris by Friday 13<sup>th</sup> July, plus payment. There are many prizes to be won, including days out, luxury hampers and cash.

If you work for a business or know of someone who would like to donate a raffle prize, then please let Lizanne or the school office know. As always, the proceeds of this event will contribute to the pantomime trip in November.