



## Head Teacher's Messages

### Future newsletters

By popular demand and in response to parent feedback, the class page with overview of your children's learning is returning! Thank you to those parents who have communicated this to us.

### FoBPS - Friends of Burford Primary School

The recent EGM was well represented by parents who have now formed a new committee. They plan to meet again on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> February to focus and plan their future fund raising activities. We will keep you updated.

### Open Door policy

A reminder that we do have an open door policy should you wish to meet with the class teacher or myself – please make an appointment, via the school office or email [office.2251@burford-pri.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:office.2251@burford-pri.oxon.sch.uk)

Jenny Dyer, Head Teacher

## Warwick Class

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

Warwick Class have now begun their new topic of Dinosaurs (with a little bit of unicorns thrown in!). In Literacy we are enjoying the Harry and his Bucketful of Dinosaurs books and using these as a basis for our writing and phonics.

In Maths we are learning about 2d and 3d shapes and using them to create repeating patterns. In Music we are learning lots of dinosaur songs and songs with patterns. We have made our own dinosaur fossils out of salt dough too!

## Windrush Class

**Class Teacher – Ms Nikki Latton**

In Windrush class the children have started their topic 'Ocean Commotion' with a focus on pirates. We have been learning about 'The Golden Age of Piracy' in the 1700s and using role play and creativity to put ourselves in the role of pirates from the past. The children have learnt about Black Beard, Anne Bonny and Mary Read. We went outside and chalked pirate ships in groups and then had an exciting pirate adventure. In English lessons we have been listening to the story of Peter Pan and created actions to help us remember it. We are now writing up the story using our story maps. In maths some of the children are learning to add 2 digit and 2 digit numbers whilst others are learning to identify and use money.

## Tolsey Class

**Class Teacher – Mrs Jessica Beaney**

In English, we have been learning all about The Blitz and how British citizens protected themselves during this time. After conducting research, we wrote a non-fiction text detailing this information.

In Maths, we have been tackling finding fractions of numbers and division. We have been teaching the children to do the chunking method, where you take groups of a number away. The children have found this a tricky concept, but we are all working hard to secure this skill.

## Priory Class

**Class Teacher – Mrs Catherine Pritchard**

Priory Class have worked on long division in Maths followed by calculating the area of 2D shapes, including triangles and parallelograms.

In English they are focusing on persuasive writing and practising their comprehension skills, particularly the use of inference and deduction.

In Art they are studying the work of Vincent Van Gogh.

## Gold Book Certificates

Awarded Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> January @ 9.00 a.m.

**Freddie King** for making phenomenal progress in reading and writing. He even knows what a split digraph is! Well done Freddie.

**Evren Emir** for making phenomenal progress with learning his phonemes and doing the most amazing shape pictures! Well done Evren.

**Leah Domingos** for working hard learning her letter sounds. Leah is much more confident in reading and writing and is a pleasure to teach. Keep up that super attitude Leah.

**Mia Watling** for working hard to improve the presentation of her writing. Mia has been focusing on her hand writing and is making real improvements. She is also making excellent progress in her reading and has just moved up a reading level. Well done Mia!

**Lottie Salsbury** for showing determination and perseverance, when faced with a concept she couldn't grasp straight away. With lots of hard work and concentration, Lottie is now finding this easier. Great work, Lottie.

**Erin Hoare** for writing a great recount all about the Blitz and its effects of Britain. She concentrated hard to ensure she had all the relevant information and it was presented neatly. Good work, Erin, well done.

**Ellie Marshall** for always behaving well and focusing on her learning. Keep up the good work Ellie.

**Pippa Dapiton-Bush** for being so cheerful and polite to her peers and all the adults who work with her.

## Golden Postbox Certificates

Awarded Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> January @ 9.00 a.m.

Congratulations to **Elsjé Grimes** for achieving her Level 7 & Level 8 award in the British Gymnastics Trampoline. Well done Elsjé.

Congratulations to **Lily Jefferies** for passing her level 4 swimming. After struggling with butterfly stroke, all her hard work has paid off. Well done for not giving up! You did it!

Congratulations to **Luis Simpson** for passing his Initial Guitar exam with distinction. Well done Luis.

A big 'thank you' to **Logan Brimblecombe** for being very kind and thoughtful. He greeted me at school one morning with a 'get well' card and a picture which he had taken the time to make - it really did make me smile. Thank you from Charlie (Alfie, Erin & Toby's Mummy).