

Dear Parents/ Carers,

It was great to see the children so enthusiastic about starting the new term and we have had two really good days!

This week, Mr Negus began teaching each class Quidditch, which appears to be a great success so far!
We also welcomed Mrs Richards and Mrs Shaul to our Burham family and hopefully you've had a chance to say hello to them on the gate.

In other news, we received a lovely card from His Majesty King Charles III, thanking us for the condolence cards the children sent when the Queen died in September. I have attached a copy for you to look at. It was such an amazing surprise and will be something that stays in the school archives.

Have a great weekend!

Kind regards
Mrs Nettleingham

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We have had a great week at Burham school, apart from the potential water incident on Thursday! I gave out lots of wows, writers of the week, as well as attendance awards in Celebration worship today, which was great to see.

Years 5 and 6 took part in the Family Trust Money Awareness course on Thursday and will complete the second part next week. Hopefully, this will help them to understand how to be responsible with their money (and yours!) in the future.

Unfortunately, Mrs Morrell has been unwell this week and we wish her a speedy recovery.

Sadly, Mrs Nolan will be leaving Burham school at the end of this term. She has decided to leave teaching to start a new challenge. I'm sure you will join us in thanking her for the amazing contribution she has made to our school and wish her all the best for the future.

Our Board of Governors will be holding another workshop on Thursday 9th February at 2.30pm, where you can meet with them to ask them any questions, including questions about the future of the school.

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We have had another great week at Burham school, despite the very cold temperatures! Hopefully it should be warmer next week.

Years 5 and 6 completed the Family Trust Money Awareness course on Thursday and all received their certificates. Key Stage 2 also had a Zoom talk by 'The 3 Engineers' called Stop Dropping Litter, which has hopefully inspired them, especially our Year 5 Eco Warrior group and given them ideas about keeping our school environment litter free.

A big thank you to the two supply teachers, who have been in Year R and 6 this week. They both said that they really enjoyed their time here and were made to feel very welcome by all the staff and children, which is lovely to hear.

We know that drop off and pick up times are very busy times of the day on Bell Lane, so could you please be on the look out for children attempting to cross the road as it is sometime hard to spot them. Thank you.

We are currently in the process of sorting out when Sports Day will be this year and aim to fix a day by the end of next week.

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Another week of Term 3 successfully completed and only two more to go until half term! Well done to all the children who received Wow's, Writers of the Week, Super Reading and Class Captain certificates! Blue Monday has passed and we look forward to lighter mornings and evenings!

With regards to next week's strike by members of the NEU, our school is expecting to be open and functioning as normal, however, if this changes, we will update you as soon as possible, so keep an eye out for emails. We will update you about the other strikes days as soon as we have any information.

Sports Day this year will be on Monday 10th July and will follow the same format as last year – activities in teams, then class races, presentation and picnic lunch. More details nearer the time.

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Sadly, we said goodbye to Mr Negus today, as he has left the Premier Education Group that provide our coaching. His replacement shadowed him on Thursday, so has met the children, and he will be starting with us next week.

Next Tuesday is Safer Internet Day and the children will be completing lots of activities aimed at helping them to stay safe online. As our society becomes more and more involved with the internet and online platforms, keeping our children safe is a top priority. The link below has lots of information that you might find useful to help keep your child safe online at home:

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers>

As you know, Mrs Nolan is leaving at the end of next week. Next term the Meerkat class will be covered by a long-term supply teacher, Mrs Oke. She will be spending next Wednesday in Meerkat class to get to know the children and liaise with Mrs Nolan. We are pleased to announce that we have appointed Mrs Harris to be the new Year 4 teacher and she will be starting on 17th April, after the Easter holiday. I'm sure you will join us in welcoming her into our Burham family.

Just a quick reminder about drop off and pick up times: could you please make sure the zig zags are kept clear as these are the main areas used for crossing the road and it can become a bit of a nightmare if these areas are blocked by cars.

Don't forget that our School Governors will be available to answer you questions next Thursday in the school hall at 2:30pm, so please come along if you can.

Looking ahead, after half term we will be celebrating World Thinking Day, which is celebrated by Guides and Scouts around the world every year on 22nd February. If your child belongs to any club (not just Beavers, Cubs, Rainbows or Brownies) outside of school, we are encouraging them to come to school on Wednesday 22nd February wearing their club uniform or kit to help celebrate World Thinking Day. We hope as many of them as possible take part to represent and celebrate their interests outside school.

One more week until half term!

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Well, we made it to the end of Term 3 and it has really flown by! Well done to all the children who received Wow's, Writers of the Week, Super Reading and Class Captain certificates today in Celebration Worship! We also had several children become free readers this week, which is fantastic!

This week we had the Family Trust in for Worship on Monday, which is always a treat; Safer Internet Day on Tuesday and each class took part in fun activities; Clever Touch screens were installed in the rest of the classrooms yesterday (which is really exciting for the teachers as well as the children!) and a big thank you to our governors, Bob and Sini, who held their meet and greet workshop yesterday. Hopefully they will be able to do the same next term.

We said a very sad farewell to Mrs Nolan today, during Celebration Worship today. The staff bought her some beautiful flowers and a hamper and Glee Club sang her a song. We wish her so much good luck for the future and hope her next adventure is amazing. She will be missed, but will always remain part of our Burham family.

Next term, PE days for the children will be:

Panda Class – Fridays
Elephant Class – Tuesdays and Thursdays
Penguin Class – Mondays and Tuesdays
Dolphin Class – Mondays and Thursdays
Meerkat Class – Tuesdays and Thursdays
Tiger Class – Wednesdays and Fridays
Giraffe Class – Wednesdays and Fridays

Please make sure that the children come to school in a suitable PE kit on their PE days. This needs to be:

- Black Shorts
- White T-Shirt
- Black Plimsolls/trainers
- Black, grey or burgundy jumper/hoodie (or their school jumper/cardigan)
- Burgundy or black jogging bottoms in winter (if wanted)

Please also make sure that, if their ears are pierced, the children only wear studs or sleepers to school and that long hair is tied back for safety reasons.

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Also, after half term we have Writing Week where each class will be studying the book 'The Tear Thief' by Carol Ann Duffy. The children will be taking part in a 'Reading Stars' competition (see letter attached) and a national 'Design a Book Token' competition. Both will be sent home either today or after half term. World Book Day is on Thursday 2nd March and we would love to see as many children as possible dressing up as their favourite book character.

We are also hoping to take part in two further competitions, time allowing. These are: the Show Racism the Red Card design a T-Shirt competition and a competition to design a Coronation bench to mark the Coronation of King Charles III. More information to follow.

Have an absolutely fantastic holiday and we look forward to seeing you all in a week's time!

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Thursday 23rd February – Class photos

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Monday 6th March – meeting for parents and children going to Bewl Water at 3:30pm

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