

Dear Parents/ Carers,

It has been a very busy first week back of Term 4. 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 two more children become free readers this week - fabulous!

Today, along with many others in the UK, we held a minute's silence to remember all those affected by the war in Ukraine. The children were so respectful, which was lovely to see.

The children posed for their class photos on Thursday and there were definitely lots of cheeky grins to be seen. The proofs should be available for you to look at in the next few weeks, with the opportunity to buy the photo. Hopefully prices will be similar to last year.

Thank you to all the children who came in on Wednesday wearing their club uniform or kit to help celebrate World Thinking Day. It was great to see the variety of interests that the children have outside school and classes spent time on the day learning about what World Thinking Day is.

We are all looking forward to Writing Week next week where each class will be studying the book 'The Tear Thief' by Carol Ann Duffy. Hopefully the children are working hard on the 'Story Reading Star' and national 'Design a Book Token' competitions. We will announce two winners of the 'Story Reading Star' competition from each class in Friday's celebration worship and those winners will receive a book token. The 'Design a Book Token' entries will be sent off and fingers crossed we have a few winners from our school.

World Book Day is on Thursday and we would love to see as many children as possible dressing up as their favourite book character. Don't forget that just for next week Years 1, 3 and 4 will be doing PE on Friday instead of Thursday so they can dress up!

Have a great weekend!

Kind regards
Mrs Nettleingham

Dates for your diary:

Term 4 – Year 5 Swimming Lessons each Friday starting on 24th February for 6 weeks

Monday 27th February – World Book Week

Thursday 2nd March – Dress up for World Book Day – the children can come dressed as their favourite book characters

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

Monday 13th to Wednesday 15th March – Year 5 and 6 Residential Visit to Bewl Water

Friday 17th March – Year 6 Learning Walk around Burham

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Tuesday 21st March – Eucharist at 2:15pm – you are welcome to join us.

Tuesday 28th March – Parent Consultations 1:00pm – 6:00pm Booking will open a couple of weeks before.

Wednesday 29th March – Rock Steady Concert 9:00am

Dear Parents/ Carers,

What a week it's been! We have had great fun during Writing Week, reading and writing about the Tear Thief and dressing up for World Book Day! Congratulations to our competition winners, who each won a £5 book voucher. The whole school also wrote a story called Mr Fitter, Mrs Nettleingham and the Three Wishes, which I have attached for you to read – it is brilliant!

The class photo proofs were sent out this week. If you would like to buy one, please make sure you return the form by next Friday 10th March.

Year 5 and 6 parents who have children going to Bewl Water for the residential visit, don't forget the meeting on Monday after school at 3:30pm. It will be in the Hall and please come ready with any questions you might have.

Week commencing 13th March, the PTFA have organised the Mother's Day Room so that the children can buy pressies for Mother's Day. Year R,1 and 2 can buy pressies on Monday and Tuesday; Year 3 on Wednesday and Years 4, 5 and 6 on Thursday and Friday. Don't worry if you forget as the room is open all week. Thank you so much to the PFTA for organising this for the children.

Booking for Parent Consultations will be available on Parent Pay from Tuesday. The afternoon will follow the usual format and you will be able to take your child/children home after the consultation.

PE will be back to normal next week for Years 1, 3 and 4.

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Another busy and exciting week here at Burham School. We all finished our Coronation and Show Racism the Red Card competition entries, which look amazing (I will put some of them onto the website) and they have been sent off for judging. Fingers crossed!

We had some amazing news this week from Glenn, the Rock Steady Tutor – Rock steady are nation-wide and held an awards ceremony earlier this week. One of our talented bands, The Y as Queen (& Kings), were finalists in the 'Band of the Year' category! This is an amazing achievement and we are very proud of them!

Next week the Year 5 and 6 children will be going to Bewl Water for their residential visit; don't forget to let them help you pack their bags so they know what they're taking!

Also, next week, the PTFA have the Mother's Day Room. Just a reminder that Year R,1 and 2 can buy pressies on Monday and Tuesday; Year 3 on Wednesday and Years 4, 5 and 6 on Thursday and Friday – pressies are £3 each. Don't worry if you forget as the room is open all week. Thanks again PFTA for organising this for the children.

Booking for Parent Consultations opened on Tuesday – if you have had any problems booking, please speak to the lovely ladies in the office.

On the last day of this term, we thought it would be really festive if the children could wear an Easter bonnet that they have made at home. There will be a prize for the best Easter bonnet in each class, so time to get crafty!

As you are aware, Mr Fitter will be leaving Wouldham School at Easter, which means he will also no longer be supporting Burham. We will make sure that we give him a good send off as he has been absolutely amazing! After Easter, we will be supported by Mrs Hunt, who is the Head Teacher of Snodland CEP. You may see her visiting the school in the run up to Easter and I'm sure you will join me and the staff in welcoming her to our Burham family.

Have a great weekend and don't forget that the clocks go forwards. If the weather is good we might not mind losing an hour of sleep!

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Dear Parents/ Carers,

Happy St Patrick's and Red Nose Day! This week has been extremely busy and we have lots of tired but happy children! Year 5 and 6 thoroughly enjoyed their residential trip to Bewl Water, making amazing memories; Year 3 had a great outing to the Museum of Kent Life, despite the weather and most children have bought something lovely for mums for mother's day!

Hopefully many of you managed to say hello to Mrs Hunt on the gate Thursday morning. If not, she will try to do this again before the end of term.

We need to say a really BIG THANK YOU to the PTFA as, with their fund raising, they have purchased 11 new Chrome Books and a charging trolley for the school. These have been needed for some time and will allow all classes to use technology in the classroom more often!

I have been in touch with Premier Education who provide the coach for lunch time club and Gym club. They are still waiting for Mr Barrie's DBS check to be completed and hope he will be able to join us after Easter.

Next week Year 6 will start selling tickets for the Easter Raffle in the afternoons. Tickets will be 20p each or £1 for a strip of tickets. Year 6, could we please have some more donations please!

Also, next week it is the Lent Eucharist on Tuesday afternoon at 2:15pm. It is Reverend Mike's last Eucharist with us here at Burham as he is retiring. It would be lovely to have as many of you here as possible to say farewell to him and thank him for being an integral part of our Burham family.

Please also find attached information about Mega Camps over the Easter Holidays.

Don't forget to make your Easter bonnets for the last day of term!

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Dear Parents/ Carers,

Wow, what a week it's been! Year 6 have been busy with their practice SATs and worked really hard; Years 5 and 6 enjoy their 'Experience Easter' workshop with the Family Trust and lots of Wows were given out in Celebration Worship today. Panda Class also did the loveliest thing, which made our hearts melt – they decided that because last week's class captain has been poorly this week, they should have extra time being class captain next week!

Year 6 have been selling tickets for the Easter Raffle this week and will continue to do so next week. Tickets are 20p each or £1 for a strip of tickets. The raffle will be drawn on Friday and thank to Year 6 for your donations.

It was great to see some of you attend Reverend Mike's last Eucharist with us here at Burham. It was a lovely service and we wish him all the best for his retirement.

Hopefully, you have all booked your appointments for Parent Consultations on Tuesday. Time is tight on the day, so please could you make sure you arrive just before your appointment. You are more than welcome to take your children home afterwards – Mrs Wheeler will be on hand to fetch them for you.

An exciting update for Burham school – the advert for a new head teacher went live on Kent Teach yesterday and I will be showing possible applicants around our lovely school next week. The closing date is in the Easter Holidays and then there will be interviews later on in April. All being well, we will have a new head for September, who will take our school on to even bigger and better things!

Remember to make your Easter bonnets for Friday!

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Dear Parents/ Carers,

We made it to the end of term 4! It has absolutely flown by and been so busy, but enjoyable. Well done to all our children for working hard in their lessons and having great learning attitudes – we are proud of you all!

Thanks to all of you who attended the Parents Consultations on Tuesday. It is always good to see you and speak to you about the progress the children are making. However, please remember, we are always available across the year to discuss any issues, please just ask.

The Rock Steady Concert was on Wednesday and I think it was the best yet! The bands were fantastic and showed what can be achieved with hard work and dedication – you are all amazing! Also, a big thank you to Glen who teaches them so well.

The Easter Raffle was drawn today and there was a total of 26 prizes, which is eggcellent! Thank you so much to Year 6 for donating the prizes and selling the raffle tickets. A list of the prize winners is attached.

We also had our Easter Bonnet parade today and it was an eggciting eggtravaganza! (Sorry I'll stop with the egg puns now!) Well done to all the children (and parents) for making such amazing bonnets and well done to our class winners – a list is attached.

We said two sad goodbyes this week: one to Mr Fitter, who leaves us and Wouldham today and the other to Mrs Oke, who has been with us for Term 4. We said farewell to Mr Fitter Yesterday and presented him with his cards and presents. We will be forever grateful for his support over the last year and wish him all the best for his future adventures. We also presented Mrs Oke with cards and flowers today. She has become part of our Burham family, even though she has been with us only a short while; we thank her for her hard work and dedication to Meerkat class and wish her all the best for the future too.

I have had the pleasure of showing prospective head teachers around our lovely school this week, and there have been quite a few, which is really positive and exciting. Hopefully, they were impressed by our school and will apply for the headship and, as I said last week, all being well, we will have a new head for September, who will take our school on to even bigger and better things!

Have a great Easter Holiday and don't forget the first day back is Tuesday 18th April!

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Monday 17th April – Development Day

Tuesday 18th April – First Day of Term 5

Friday 5th May – Coronation Celebration for the children (more information to follow)

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