

'Let your light 'shine' before others that they may see your good works.'



BURHAM CEP SCHOOL NEWS

Tuesday 5th December

From the Headteacher

Hello and best wishes to you all.

As the end of term two draws near pupils and teachers are working hard putting the finishing touches to their Christmas performances. The festive season has certainly arrived at Burham. It was wonderful to see so many of you at the Christmas fair on Friday. This was another successful event led by the school's PTFA. Thank you to all those who helped with the organisation and running of such a wonderful event and a big thank you to Father Christmas who took time out from the North Pole to spend time at Burham!

Worship this week continues with the theme of the 'Jesse Tree' with today's bible story focusing on Naomi and Ruth. Children have been recording the stories in class on their own Jesse Trees, using symbols to represent stories they have been learning about. It has been lovely visiting classes and looking at the different Jesse trees. The Jesse tree helps with the lead up to Christmas and focuses on stories from the bible that lead to Jesus's birth.

We have a lot of exciting things to look forward to over the next few weeks. School productions, Christmas jumper day, a pantomime treat for pupils on the last of the school day and class parties.



School Uniform...

I would like to inform you that we have updated our school uniform policy. This has been attached for you to look at. As part of the revised uniform, coloured PE team tops have been introduced and will be compulsory as of September 2024. The team tops promote the house teams which are Downs, Pilgrims, Malling and Medway. Team tops are available to purchase from Pages. If you are unsure as to what house team your child is in, please speak to the school office or class teacher.

With term 3 just around the corner can I ask that you support the school with uniform expectations. School shoes should be worn to school and not trainers. Children should also have the correct logo jumper or cardigan along with the school tie.

Please can you ensure your child has the necessary, appropriate clothing and footwear for P. E. You will notice that the PE kit has been simplified to ensure consistency. There has been a recent increase in pupils not having the correct clothing for PE including branded non school coloured tracksuits. Please support the school by ensuring your child has the specified PE kit, with all items clearly named.

A change of staff

As mentioned in previous correspondence we will be saying goodbye to Mrs Carlow, Willow class teacher and Mrs Gordon-Ritchie, Sycamore class teacher at the end of this term. I would like to thank them both for their hard work and commitment to Burham over the years. I wish them every success for the future.

I would like to take this opportunity to inform you that Mr Roddick will be the new teacher of Sycamore class and Mrs De-deke the new teacher of Willow class from January. We look forward to welcoming them to the school team in the new year. Both teachers will be available for you to meet at our Shine and Share event on Friday 8th December after school. We hope to see you there!

Dates for the diary...

Fri' 8th Dec—Shine and Share after school

Tues 12th Dec - KS1 Christmas Performance (Yr R, 1 and 2 9:30am and 2pm performance. Information to follow.)

Thurs 14th Dec - KS2 performance (Yrs 3, 4, 5 and 6. 9:30am and 2pm performances. Information to follow.)

Wed 13th Dec— School Christmas Dinner and Christmas jumper day (TBC)

Fri 15th Dec—Christmas pantomime treat for the children. Wear a Christmas jumper too!

