

Dear Parents and Carers,

A very busy week this week!

On Monday, Years 5, 6 & 2 had Speak Out, Stay safe Workshops with the NSPCC. This was a follow up to the assemblies all the children had recently. All the children have learnt the ChildLine phone number as part of the assemblies.

We also, on Monday, had a practise 'Lockdown'. We explained to the children that we would have to do this if a dog was on the field or a swarm of bees. The alarm went and the children went under table, outside doors were locked and the children sat quietly until they were told it was over. They all acted calmly and sensibly.

On Tuesday Year 3 children went to Queenswood. They had a wonderful time, making dens, following The Gruffalo Trail and playing in the woods.

Our Y6 children had an Induction Day at Tenbury High on Wednesday if that is where they are moving onto in September. On Friday some of our Y5 children had a taster day at Tenbury High. I am sure both years will have a lit to talk about and compare notes on Monday!

On Thursday we had our MFL Day organised by Mrs Knott and Y6. The Y6 children visited all the classes with French games and activities for all the children to take part in.

On Friday our Y6 children had their Leavers Trip to The Grove. They all had a fabulous time all part of their leavers celebrations.

Reports, Official tests and assessment information and details about classes for next year have all gone out this week. If you have not received your child's report and details about their class for next year by the end of today please contact your child's classteacher on dojo.

Have a good weekend,

Emma Partridge.

Headteacher

### Values

*As a Church of England School we have a church value for each half term, as well as our own schools values of Love, Trust and Courage. We also look at our flourishes. These are what our children, parents and staff decided our children needed to 'flourish'. They form the basis of our curriculum.*

*This week we look at the value of Trust through feeling safe. We looked at the news that archaeologists have discovered a cane in the Blue Mountains in Australia where they have found evidence that humans were using it as a place to live and stay safe 20,000 years ago! We thought about where and who makes us feel safe and why. Flourishing Families on Tuesday then discussed the children's thoughts.*

**At Burford, we are:**

**Rooted in Love,  
Growing in Trust,  
Blossoming with Courage,  
Prepared to Flourish in God's World**

## ATTENDANCE AWARD

|               |                                   |
|---------------|-----------------------------------|
| Class 1 94.67 | Class 3 have won best attendance! |
| Class 2 92.59 |                                   |
| Class 3 98.89 | Whole school 96.32                |
| Class 4 96.32 |                                   |
| Class 5 95.83 |                                   |

### Leavers Service at St Mary's Church , Burford

On Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July we will hold our Leavers Service at St Mary's Church, Burford. This service will be for the whole school and Y6 parents. The service will start at 2.30pm. All children will need to be picked up from Burford Church at 3.30pm. If any children are booked into Oaktree Club we will transport them back.

### Snacks/Tuck

Tuck shop is back on until the end of term. If you do not want your child to have tuck from school and you wish to provide 'tuck' yourself we ask that any 'tuck' the children bring in from home is 100 calories or less.

During the rest of the week we ask that children only bring in fruit for break time. Free fruit is available everyday, for all children in Years R, 1 and 2.

Thank you so much for your support in this.

### Fundraising – Adam West

This summer, my husband is taking on a mammoth task of 3 endurance obstacle races of 9 hours, 12 hours (Europe's toughest) and then 24 hours (World's toughest). He wants to be able to do some good whilst throwing himself around the countryside for hours on end, so he has set up a go fund me page to raise money for our school to buy some much needed tablets to enhance the learning of our children. Please take the time to click on the link and donate what you can.

Hi, I started this fundraiser, Help Burford Primary School Provide Tablets for Every Child, on GoFundMe and it would mean a lot to me if you'd be able to share or donate to it.

<https://gofund.me/b568be18>

### Uniform – jewellery

Please can we remind parents that children should not be wearing any form of jewellery to school other than small stud earrings. We have a number of children with necklaces on. Thank you.

### Oak Tree Club

If you would like to book for either Breakfast Club or Oak Tree Club please use the online payment system. You can book daily or in blocks or as and when you need it. If you have any problems with it just contact the office. Tax-free Childcare vouchers are available if you are working and can be used to pay for our wraparound care as we are registered. If you are receipt of Universal Credit you can claim 85% of the costs back.

## Every School Day Counts



## Every Minute Counts

**LATENESS = LOST LEARNING**  
(Figures below are calculated over a school year)

|                          |                       |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| 5 Minutes late each day  | <b>3 days lost!</b>   |
| 10 Minutes late each day | <b>6.5 days lost!</b> |
| 15 Minutes late each day | <b>10 days lost!</b>  |
| 20 Minutes late each day | <b>13 days lost!</b>  |
| 30 Minutes late each day | <b>19 days lost!</b>  |

**Be at the classroom on time and ready to learn!**

There are **190** days in a school year which leaves **175** days to spend on family time, shopping, appointments and other things.



## DID YOU KNOW?



**10 minutes late every day**

**=**

**32 hours lost learning each year.**



## Attendance

Attendance is very important and this year the government are focussing on this in schools more. It is vital your children are at school. Learning in schools builds upon the previous day, so children who miss days are missing out on stages of their learning. Arriving late also affects children's learning. The school day starts at 9.00am. It really is important that children arrive by this time. We start lessons at 9.00am. Children who arrive late miss out on the beginning of their lessons and find it tricky. We open the gates at 8.50am and close them again at 9.00am.

Please make sure you send your child to school unless they are too unwell. If your child is unwell please phone the office each day they are not at school. Sometimes it can be hard to decide if your child is too ill for school. This is a useful link that may help you decide.

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

We will not authorise any holiday take during term time unless it is **exceptional circumstances**. You could be fined. Please try to avoid term time for your holidays.

We work closely with Shropshire Education Welfare Officer (EWO) who monitor school attendance half termly in all schools in Shropshire. It is important that we all work together to support your children attending school. Any concerns you have please do contact the school.

There is a very helpful flyer we are sending out on dojo which explains what the % of absence equates to in days.

## Free School Meals/Pupil Premium

Free school meals are available to pupils whose parents are in receipt of, **one or more** of the following benefits:

- Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods)
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on – paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

This means your child will qualify for a Pupil Premium Grant (PPG). If your child is in receipt of FSM all your school lunches ordered through school are free and with the PPG the money is used to fund educational visits, including residentials, music lessons and much more.

This is different to the Universal Free School Meals (UFSM) all children in EYFS, Years 1 and 2 get. That will not qualify you for funding for educational visit, music lessons etc.

You have to apply online. We have put a link on our website. Here is a quick link to our website page with the information.

<https://www.burfordce.org.uk/Parents/Free-School-Meals-Application/?skipHAP=y>

## DIARY DATES

please keep an eye on these, as we will add to them over the term

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July – meet your new teacher and class.

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July Y6 Leavers Service St Mary's Church, Burford – Whole School– all children to be pick up from the church at 3.30pm.**

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July – Summer Term ends

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September – PD day – no children in school

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September – PD day – no children in school

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September – Autumn Term starts for all children.

## **MERITS**

Johan : for your fantastic phonics!

Luca : for your fantastic phonics!

Kylah-Faye : for super sorting in maths all week!

Skylah : for super sorting in maths all week!

Emmie : For working hard with her writing.

Emily : For being a good friend to others

Taya Roberts : For always working hard and doing her best.

Class 3 : for their fantastic behaviour on the trip.

Olivia Albert : for being an amazing and inquisitive volcanologist

Rosie Vernalls : for being a kind and thoughtful member of class 4

Ben : for being kind and generous

Lacey : for having such a successful year .

## School Uniform

Just a reminder on school uniform.

Red polo shirt with or without the school logo  
Grey or black school trousers, skirts or dresses.  
Dark blue cardigan or jumper with or without school logo  
Black, blue or brown shoes.

## PE Uniform

T shirt in the plain white either with or without logo  
Black or dark blue shorts  
Dark(black, blue or grey) plain tracksuit bottoms  
Dark plain (black, blue or grey) tracksuit top or hoody.  
Trainers  
Long hair should be tied back  
Small stud earrings will need to be covered up for PE.

We do know it is colder in school than normal with windows open for ventilation so children may wear layers underneath their t shirts and tops.

## Information to support our Parents, Children and Community.

### Safeguarding

#### Keeping children safe from harm and abuse.

**The Government has released guidance for parents on keeping children safe from harm and abuse. There are links and telephone numbers to help get support or seek reassurance for a range of topics to support you, your children and other families.**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-keeping-children-safe-from-abuse-and-harm/advice-to-parents-and-carers-on-keeping-children-safe-from-abuse-and-harm>

## Davis Bequest

This is a fund that has been set up to support people in the Burford Community. It was set up a number of years ago. This means it is available to families of children from our school whom circumstances have changed for short term support. This is something that may be needed during these times. To apply for the Davis Bequest please contact myself at school on [head@burford.shropshire.sch.uk](mailto:head@burford.shropshire.sch.uk).

## Safeguarding - Talking to your children about Sexual Harassment

This is something that has been in the news a lot recently but can be something that is tricky to talk to your children about. The Children's Commissioner has written and suggested ways to help discuss this appropriately with your children. This is the link to the website <https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/report/talking-to-your-child-about-online-sexual-harassment-a-guide-for-parents/>

## Barnado's support for parents

Barnardo's have developed a support hub for parents where they will be able to find a range of resources, tools and videos to help support their child's journey back to school. Schools may wish to send this link out in their communication with their parents and carers - <https://www.barnardos.org.uk/support-hub/back-to-school>

## Keeping children safe online.

**The Government has issued guidance with links to help parents keep children safe online. This is the link to the guidance.**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-keeping-children-safe-online/coronavirus-covid-19-support-for-parents-and-carers-to-keep-children-safe-online>

## LINKS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Covid Symptoms in Children : For more information, please click on the link below:-

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/coronavirus-in-children/>

**Scarlet Fever/Streptococcus A** : For more information, please click on the link below:-

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/strep-a/>

Autism West Midlands : For more information, please click on the link below:-

<https://autismwestmidlands.org.uk/>

To Access our Parent information Sheet, please click the link below:-

[Burford Parent Information Sheet](#)

### **ASD Virtual Support Group for Parents**

Wednesday Mornings 10am-11am and Wednesday Evenings 8pm-9pm – 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Weds of each month (term time)

Our online support groups meet twice a month via Zoom. This is an opportunity to talk with other parents, share ideas, and offer support. We recommend that you have attended an online advice appointment with a member of the team before joining group sessions (link above).

If you would like to join either of the support groups, please email the team here [shropshire@autismwestmidlands.org.uk](mailto:shropshire@autismwestmidlands.org.uk)

### **Dad's Group**

Monthly on a Thursday 7pm-8pm

This is an opportunity for dads to meet online, share ideas, celebrate their children's achievements and offer support to each other with a member of Autism West Midlands present. For more information and booking details please right click on the link below and scroll down to the bottom of the page to see the section 'Dad's Group'.

<https://autismwestmidlands.org.uk/>

### **Advice and support**

We also offer advice and support over the phone and via email. Parents/carers and professionals can contact our small team directly to arrange an appointment please call:

Shropshire office - 01952 454156

Mon, Wed, Fri - Wendy Cowton 07900784186

Weds, Thu, Fri - Emma Hegenbarth 07881109480

Tue, Wed, Thu - Dawn Lewis 07706309382

Email [shropshire@autismwestmidlands.org.uk](mailto:shropshire@autismwestmidlands.org.uk)  
Helpline 0121 450 7575