



# Burrowmoor News

Week ending: 17.06.22

Opening up the world for our children and families.

Dear Parents / Carers.

It's been another busy, hot week in school and we thank you all for remembering hats, water and sun cream! Can we take this opportunity to remind you about dates for sports days coming up in July:

Tuesday 5th July      Nursery: 9.30—11.30

Wednesday 6th July      Reception: 9.30—11.30

KS1 (Yrs 1 & 2): 1.15—3.00

Friday 8th July      LKS2: (Yrs 3 & 4) 9.30—11.30

UKS2 (Yrs 5 & 6) 1.30—3.15

Families are welcome to come and support; chairs will be on the field and the gates will be open from 10 minutes before the events begin.

Teachers from Neale Wade visited Year 6 this week as part of the transition programme for secondary school. We have also been finalising the class structure for September and will share the teacher organisation with you soon.

On Monday, your children will be taking part in a pupil survey to gather their views on the school and what we could do even better to make everyone feel ready, respectful and safe. Once the outcomes are collated, we will share them with you along with agreed actions.

As you know, we had Ofsted come and visit our school this week and we thank those people who responded to the online survey or spoke to inspectors on site. Once we have the finalised report, the Trust will share it with you accordingly.

Thank you for your ongoing support and have a great weekend!

Ms. Lucca and Mrs. Coates

## Stars of the Week

### Well done to the following children:

Year	Name	Award
Nursery	Keanu B	Butterfly of the week
Nursery	Jake G	Caterpillar of the week
Reception	Melissa B	Dragonfly of the week
Reception	Barkley B-R	Bumblebee of the week
Year 1	Sonia G	Otter of the week
Year 1	Fletcher S	Seal of the week
Year 2	Izabele R	Dolphin of the week
Year 2	Jake F	Turtle of the week
Year 3	Francesca S	Tiger of the week
Year 3	Zack S	Lion of the week
Year 4	Ismay M	Puma of the week
Year 4	Ruby C	Panther of the week
Year 5	Jamie P	Lynx of the week
Year 5	Charlotte D	Leopard of the week
Year 6	Sam C	Cheetah of the week
Year 6	Callum W	Jaguar of the week

Well done to the Saxons for getting the most house points this week.

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★	<b>Normans</b>	<b>336</b>
★	<b>Saxons</b>	<b>432</b>
★	<b>Vikings</b>	<b>286</b>
★	<b>Danes</b>	<b>360</b>
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*Congratulations!*



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## CURRICULUM UPDATES

### **Nursery**

This term we are focusing on 'zoo animals and their environment'. We will be identifying and naming different animals and their natural environment. All children will be given the chance to mark make with natural resources and a range of different textures such as shaving foam, gloop, jelly and spaghetti. Early phonics work will be focusing on rhyming words, reminding the children they are sounds which sound similar when spoken, and clapping or stamping the number of syllables in words. In Maths, the children are developing their knowledge of shapes and comparing size, length and weights of objects. The focus books this term are 'Dear Zoo' by Rob Campbell, 'Animal Bob' written by Jan Ormerod and 'The Animal Boogie' by author Debbie Harter. The Butterfly children are taking part in transition sessions and activities ready for them for starting Reception class in September.

### **Reception**

This term our focus is 'the super sea'. In English, we are exploring books all about the seaside, under the sea and pirates! These books include: Lucy and Tom at the Seaside by Shirley Hughes, The Sea Saw by Tom Percival, Dougal's Deep Sea Diary by Simon Bartram, Commotion in the Ocean by Giles Andreae, How I Became A Pirate by Melinda Long and My Granny Is A Pirate by Val McDermid. In Maths, we are looking at number facts, counting and comparing numbers to twenty, shape and capacity.

As the weather is getting warmer can we take this time to remind parents/carers that all children need to bring in a sun hat, water bottle containing only water and a named bottle of sun cream. Our Physical Education sessions are now on a Thursday morning so please can all children bring in their P.E. kits to leave in school, containing shoes they can independently put on themselves. We are currently practising our sports day races. As always, you can keep up to date with all of your children learning by logging onto Tapestry. Please take the time to like and comment and add your own pictures if you wish!

### **Year 1**

This term in English, we will be writing instructions on how to make fruit kebabs and we will continue to work on handwriting, capital letters, finger spaces and full stops. In Maths, we will start by looking at numbers to 100, comparing them and ordering them. We will then move on to money and time. Children will be learning the value of different coins and notes. Year 1 will also learn how to tell the time to half past and o'clock. During Science, our key question is 'How do vegetables grow?' We will be learning about the different parts of plants and vegetables and what they need to grow and we will build on our knowledge from Spring term when we learnt about plants. In our Design and Technology lessons, we will taste different fruits from around the world. We will be designing, making and evaluating fruit kebabs.

P.E. continues to be on a Monday (indoor) and Thursday (outdoor). We are currently preparing for sports day.



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## **Year 2**

Year 2s' half-term got off to a great start with a trip to Old Hunstanton, which linked in to our Geography topic from last half term. Our focus this half-term will be D.T. and Art. We will spend the first part of the half-term answering the question 'How can I use local produce to create a healthy packed lunch?' We will begin by taste testing a variety of different produce before then considering what makes a healthy packed lunch. Finally, we will be creating a healthy packed lunch based on our new knowledge and understanding of what we need to be healthy.

Following on from D.T. we will start our Art lessons taking a focus on tints and colours. We will be using our trip to Hunstanton to inspire our artwork using painting skills and newly discovered artists. During English and Reading we will be enjoying 'The boy who grew dragons' which will inspire some great writing, such as when we go on a 'dragon egg hunt' around the school. During Maths this half-term we will be studying multiplication and division, measures including length, capacity and mass as well as fractions and word problems. In Science we will be looking to answer the question 'Why do we make certain things out of certain materials?' This will develop the knowledge from earlier in the year and we will be testing the properties of materials by bending, twisting, stretching and squashing.

In Computing, we will be creating a final piece on PowerPoint about our trip to Hunstanton and we will then be learning all about Microsoft excel. During the last week of term we will be learning about RE and answering the question 'Why do people go on pilgrimages?' Our indoor and outdoor P.E. lessons will continue to be on a Wednesday (outdoor) and Friday (indoor).

## **Year 3**

This half-term, Year 3 will continue to do outdoor P.E. on a Tuesday and, after we have finished swimming, will resume indoor P.E. on a Friday. This half-term we will be focussing on Design Technology and Art, where we will be investigating different types of bread and looking at model making. In English, we are looking at different types of poems including haikus and limericks and the children will be writing their own versions based on bread and foods. This will link to our healthy diet work in Science, where we look at which components make a healthy diet and how this affects us. In Maths, we are looking at properties of shape and different types of lines and angles. In P.S.H.C.E., we are beginning our Relationships Sex Education work where we will look at personal hygiene and names for the different parts of our bodies. We are so looking forward to seeing the fantastic work we know the children will produce in our last half term of Year 3!

## **Year 4**

This half term, Year 4 will do indoor PE on a Wednesday and outdoor on a Friday. We will have one more swimming session on Friday 24th June. Our topic focus for the first part of this half term is DT, where we will be investigating how we can build strong bridges out of wood. The children will be designing and making their bridges over the next couple of weeks –watch this space for photos!

In Science, we will be finding out 'Who eats who?' in our topic related to food chains. Linked to this, we will be writing a story with a moral in English to read to Year 1 children, who will then keep our stories in their book corner! Our stories will be based on the Varjak Paw book, in which a cat has to fight to stay alive in a city full of predators. We will also use this book for our Teaching Reading lessons.

In Maths, we have started the half term looking at statistics, focussing on presenting and interpreting data in charts, graphs and pictograms. We even created our own physical bar chart on the playground showing the different shoe sizes in our classes using our shoes!

In P.S.H.C.E., we are teaching our RSE (Relationships and Sex Education) lessons where we will investigate the human lifecycle and our changing responsibilities as we grow up.

*We are very much looking forward to our trip to Hamerton Zoo on Friday 15th July. Please return your consent slips and make your contributions on Parent Pay by Monday 4th July.*

## **Year 5**

During this summer half-term, Year 5 will be writing a character description about Bess and The Highwayman as we are reading 'The Highwayman' poem. Children will also be writing an alternate story ending for The Lady of Shalott. In our reading sessions, we will be using an exciting adventure story, 'Beetle Boy', to develop their understanding of what questions are asking in order to improve comprehension skills. In Maths, we are currently looking at co-ordinates, reflection and translation, and measurement where we have been converting the units of measure.

In Science, we are investigating light thinking about the questions: 'Can light bend around corners?' and 'Why does the length of my shadow change over the course of the day?' In Design and Technology, we are looking at creating a three course meal consisting of the following: French onion soup, pie, mash and liquor (a gravy using parsley) and waffles. Each of these have come from the countries that we have studied in a previous geography unit of work. Finally, in computing we are continuing to develop our coding skills using Scratch by creating different games. In P.E., we continue to practise athletic skills for Sports Day and gymnastics based on push and go movements. These PE sessions are still on Tuesday and Thursday.

## **Year 6**

This half-term, Year 6 will continue to do indoor P.E. on a Tuesday and outdoor P.E. on a Thursday. Our topic focus for this half-term is D.T., where we will be looking at the best components and materials needed to create a drawstring purse. Our Art and English will link to Shakespeare, where we will create scenes from Shakespeare's 'Macbeth' using various mediums, write a narrative based on 'Macbeth' as well as writing our own poetry.

We're also really excited to start practising our Year 6 end of year production, 'Shakespeare Rocks'. In Maths we will be looking at time, timetables and word problems. We will be moving on to real life 'Financial Capability' where we employ our knowledge of money, percentages and discounts to and apply them in everyday situations to prepare us for the world of money! In Computing we will be focussing on programming and will build on our existing knowledge.





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## Diary Dates

New dates will be added weekly so please do read this section each week.

### **March 2022**

3rd - World Book Day

10th - Reception trip to the Library

14th - Start of Science Week

24th—Year 4 Egyptian Day

25th—Year 1 Victorian Day

31st—Year 5 Greek Day

31st - Reception trip to Church Farm

### **April 2022**

1st - Last day of term

19th - Children return to school

22nd—LKS2 Swimming lessons to begin:

Year 4—Friday 22/4/22— 13/5/22

Year 3—Friday 20/5/22—17/6/22

Year 3 & 4 - Friday 24/6/22

27th April – Year 4 Bikeability

### **May 2022**

2nd—May Bank Holiday

9th— Dental Hygienist visiting Year 4

27th – Jubilee Celebration

30th - 3rd - Half term

### **June 2022**

6th - PD Day for staff—no children in school

7th - Children return to school

7th - Year 2 trip to Hunstanton.

7th - Sky Arts Week

15th—New Reception parent information meetings 2pm and 5pm.

17th— National Dental Epidemiology programme (R & Y1 5yr olds)

20th—Year 6 trip to Nene Park (Ferry

Meadows)

29th—Year 6 transition day #1 (Neale-Wade and Cromwell)

### **July 2022**

1st - 4th –Year 6 residential trip

Sports Days– Timings to be confirmed.

5th - Nursery AM

6th - Reception AM

KS1 PM

7th July—Year 6 transition day #2 (Neale-Wade and Cromwell)

**8th - LKS2 AM / UKS2 PM Sports Day CHANGE OF DATE**

13th July—Year 6 transition day #3 (Neale-Wade and Cromwell)

**19th Year 6 Leaver's Party on the field**

19th - Celebration of Work

20th - Last day of term

20th - Leavers' Assembly

**Dates for the 2022-23 academic year:**

### **Autumn Term Dates 2022**

1st September – PD Day

2nd September – Children return to school

6th October – Cerebral Palsy Day

24th to 28th October 2022 – Half term

21st December – Last day of term

### **Spring Term Dates 2023**

4th January - PD Day for staff

5th January – Children return to school

13th to Friday 17th February – Half term

20th February – Children return to school

31st March – Last day of term

### **Summer Term Dates 2023**

17th April – Children return to school

1st May – Bank Holiday

26th May – PD Day for staff

29th May to 2nd June – Half term

5th June - Children return to school

7th July - PD Day for staff

19th July – Last day of term