



Burrowmoor News

Week ending 23.09.22

Opening up the world for our children and families.

Dear Parents / Carers,

A warm welcome to another edition of our newsletter. It has been a jam-packed week in school! As a community, we have spent time working on our routines and approaches to transition times and, in particular, how we return to class from the playground at the end of break and lunch times to ensure a calm and steady start to the following lesson. The children have responded wonderfully to the new routines and this is already impacting positively on behaviour both on the playground and at the start of lessons. Additionally, as a team, we have also been considering the activities available to the children during break and lunchtime. Classes spent their Well-being Wednesday assemblies discussing the kinds of resources they would like to play with during these periods and we are now in the process of purchasing play equipment that the children can use including skipping ropes, hula hoops, large Connect Four games and cricket sets.

In the staff meeting on Tuesday, teachers undertook training on the teaching of reading to ensure that there is a common approach to this essential life skill across the school. To support us in our drive to ensure that all children can read confidently, please could we ask that you take time to listen to your children read at home and that you complete their reading record when they have done so. Your child's class teacher will also be filling in the reading record when they have heard your child read so please do feel free to use this as a line of communication with the class teacher about your child's reading. All children will be bringing home a reading book at a level that is suitable for them, directed by the teacher, and a reading for pleasure book which they have chosen themselves.

Miss. Candish

Head of School

Year Six House Captains

This week, the children in Year Six have been deciding on the school's House Captains. In order to become a House Captain, those children who wanted to apply for the role were tasked with writing a short manifesto to say what they would like to improve in school if they were to be elected. Once the children had presented their campaigns, they undertook a democratic vote as a year group.

We are pleased to announce that the following children have been elected and will represent their house for the whole school.

Vikings:

Captain - Isaac P.

Vice-Captain - Lola-May B.

Saxons:

Captain - Maxwell LT.

Vice-Captain - Liam T.

Danes:

Captain - Mia C.

Vice-Captain: Thomas B.

Normans:

Captain - Archie G.

Vice-Captain - Charlotte D.

Harvest Festival 3rd October

We will be celebrating our annual Harvest Festival on Monday 3rd October. As usual, we will be collecting for local food banks so any dry goods that you are able to donate would be greatly appreciated. Our local food banks support many of our families and their work is vital, particularly in the current economic climate.



Please drop donations to the classroom where they will be collected and displayed in the hall.

If you feel that you are needing support from a food bank, please contact Miss. Angier for a confidential discussion.

P.E. Kits

Please could we remind you that for all P.E. lessons, children need to bring a change of clothing and that for indoor P.E., children will need a pair of shorts. Thank you.



Homework

We have made some changes to the homework that we provide. On a weekly basis, we would like the children to read each evening and to complete a weekly task to help them to learn their spellings. We will also be providing a homework menu from which the children can choose activities that they can complete over the course of the term. These menus will be issued with next week's newsletter. We are also looking to purchase an interactive online maths program called Times Table Rock Stars which the children will be able to use to rehearse their multiplication tables. More details about this program will follow in a later newsletter.

Can you help?

As part of their Design Technology work this term, Year Six will be making replicas of World War One trenches. To do this, they need lots of cardboard!

If you have any old shoe boxes or other cardboard you could spare, please could you pop this into the school to support the Year Six children with this project.



Thank you!

Caterlink Meals

The school's catering provider, Caterlink, prepare a wide range of delicious, nutritionally balanced meals. A menu for this can be found on the school website under the 'Our School' tab. If you would like for your child to have a school dinner they can order one at registration.



Parent Forums

We will be hosting three Parent Forums at Burrowmoor this academic year. During these sessions, some members of the Active Learning Trust and Interim Executive Board (currently replacing the governing body) will also be in attendance. We will present key points of change on our school improvement journey and outline the next steps that we are taking.

In order to fit with the end of the school day, each session will be in the main hall starting at 2:15 and finishing at 3:10.

The dates are provisionally booked for Monday 14th November 2022, Tuesday 21st February 2023 and Thursday 18th May 2023.

We hope these will be informative and give you additional opportunities to share your views as well.

World Cerebral Palsy Day

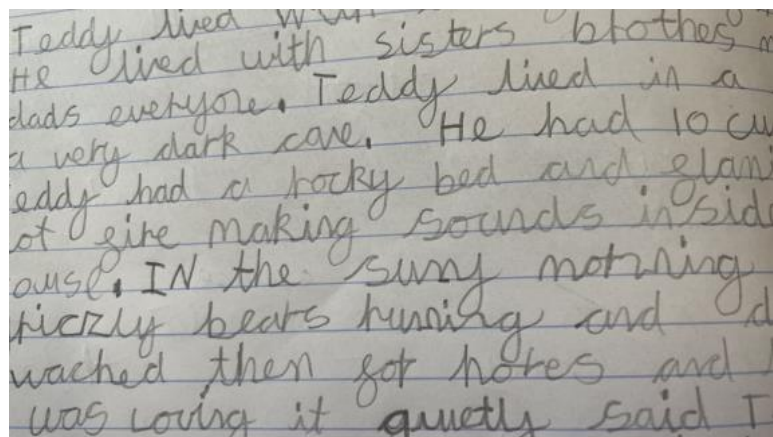
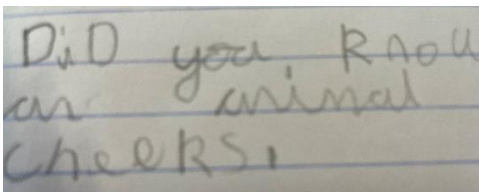
Thursday 6th October is national Cerebral Palsy Day in the UK and, as a school, we want to raise awareness of this condition in order to answer questions and address any misconceptions. There are more than 17 million people with cerebral palsy worldwide. The campaign this year aims to raise awareness about the unique experience of Cerebral Palsy and demonstrate the demand for accessible technologies.



In school we will hold an assembly to educate our school family and celebrate diversity. **We would like to ask all children and staff to wear green clothing** on the 6th October to show that we all celebrate and support those living with Cerebral Palsy, the most common physical disability in childhood.

Presentation

Well done to Bonnie D. in 3O for such great improvement in her handwriting!



Awards and Celebrations

Stars of the Week

Well done to the following children:

Nursery 1	Ada G.
Nursery 2	Alice B.
RB	Megan W.
1D	Finlay B.
1L	Freya J.
2M	Reigan B.
2R	Violet A.
3O	Jesse J.
3S	Ayesha A.
4BW	Oliver H.
4O	Tommy F.
5D	Lacey W.
5W	Alice S.
6AR	Louella K.
6S	Maisie M.

Resilience Rocks

Well done to the following children:

RB	Elliot K.
1D	Effie L.
1L	Troy B.
2M	Cruz S.
2R	Maison V.
3O	Tarlie T.
3S	Donnie U.
4BW	Isabella W.
4O	Devan L.
5D	Jacob H.
5W	Xien H.
6AR	Neysa J.
6S	Tyler S.

Pen Licences

This week, pen licences have been awarded to:

Scarlett S.	Harper A.	Cordelia C.
Alfee-Jai S.	Lilly C.	Ayesha A.

Congratulations to you all!



House Points

The overall winners for this week's house point competition is...**The Saxons!** Well done!

Saxons 254

Danes 166

Vikings 208

Normans 232



Diary Dates

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

Autumn Term Dates

September

26th September - Year Four History off the Page - Life in Roman Britain

October

3rd – Harvest Festival

5th October - Year Two Artist Visit - Fred Ingrams

11th October - Year 6 visit to Duxford

12th October - Whole School Spanish Day

18th October - Year Two - March Museum Visit

20th October - Year Two Art Gallery Exhibition for Parents

Staff Training Day Friday 21st October 2022

Half Term – 24th to 28th October 2022

Term starts Monday 31st October

November

10th November - 6S Class Assembly

17th November - 4BW Class Assembly

24th November - 2R Class Assembly

December

13th December - Year 5 / 6 Panto - Snow White

14th December—Christmas Fayre

End of Term Wednesday 21st December 2022

Spring Term Dates

January

Staff Training Day Wednesday 4th January 2023

Term starts Thursday 5th January - Friday 10th February 2023

19th January - 4O Class Assembly

26th January - 2M Class Assembly

February

2nd February - 5D Class Assembly

Half Term – 13th to 17th February 2023

Term starts Monday 20th February - Friday 31 March 2023

March

2nd March - 6AR Class Assembly

9th March - 1D Class Assembly

16th March - 5W Class Assembly

Summer Term Dates

April

Term starts Monday 17th April - Thursday 25th May 2023

May

11th May - 3O Class Assembly

18th May - 1L Class Assembly

25th May - 3S Class Assembly

Staff Training Day Friday 26th May

Half Term – 29th May to 2nd June

June

Term starts Monday 5th June – Wednesday 19th July 2023

15th June - RB Class Assembly

22nd June - N1 and N2 Class Assembly

July

Staff Training Day Friday 7th July