#### Friday 2nd May 2025



## A Note from Mrs Jameson

Welcome to the 2025 summer term at Burton Agnes! I hope that you have had an enjoyable Easter holiday and that your children are looking forward to the weeks ahead.

The children have made a brilliant start to the new term and have enjoyed beginning their new topics and learning for the term. You can find out more about what your child is learning this term by reading the curriculum information for your child's year group which is was emailed to you last week. This is essential reading as it is also where you will find key information for your child's year group, for example in relation to homework arrangements and expectations and PE. Please contact the office if you would like a hard copy of this information.

Please also have a look at the events scheduled in our 'Dates for diaries' section of this newsletter. There are dates for our KS2 productions; our school sports days; summer term open afternoon: Summer Fair and end of year church service and picnic.

We have attached to this week's newsletter our home school values activity sheet. This half term we are thinking about the Christian Value of **Service.** We will be thinking about what service is and what we can do to serve others. We will also be giving our thanks to those you serve. Please have a look at the activities and feel free to send in to school any of the work you have done connected to this.

Thank you for your continuing support and we look forward to working with you to enable your child to have a happy and successful summer term at Burton Agnes.

# **Rapping Fun**

This week in school, we were thrilled to welcome 'The Rap Man', Rob, who made our day incredibly enjoyable! The morning began with Rob crafting a bespoke rap just for us, inspired by the random words we shared. Following this interactive introduction, he visited each classroom, guiding our pupils in creating their own raps linked to our whole school theme, "Beyond My Window."

At the end of the day, all the classes came together to showcase their hard work, celebrating the creativity and collaboration that had taken place. While the event was undeniably fun, it also highlighted the educational value





of rap and spoken word poetry as alternative methods for teaching literacy, poetic techniques, and vocabulary. These engaging activities fostered a spirit of teamwork and public performance, enabling our children to build confidence and enhance their communication skills. It was particularly lovely to see children who typically struggle with writing fully immerse themselves in this creative process, enjoying their roles as wordsmiths.

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#### Learning About Others

It was lovely to welcome Amber, a friend of the school, and Donna, a teacher of the visually impaired, into school on Wednesday. Amber generously shared her experiences with the children regarding visual impairment, highlighting not only the challenges faced but also the ways we can support those in our community who are visually impaired.

Amber's inspiring story was inspiring to listen sharing with the children her love of theme parks and becoming the World Pokémon Champion. Her message was clear: nothing should ever stand in our way of achieving our goals, regardless of the obstacles we may encounter. The children listened intently, showing remarkable empathy and understanding throughout the session.

### **Exciting Transformation Outside Mrs Jameson's Office**

You may have noticed that the area outside Mrs Jameson's office looks a little different! We are thrilled to announce that, thanks to the hard work of parents from FOBAS and the generous donations of materials and time from our community, stage one of the transformation is now complete. The space is already looking more welcoming and inviting, creating a vibrant environment for our children.

In addition, we are excited to share that we have secured a grant of £9,000 from Nature Parks to purchase items designed to encourage biodiversity. Soon, you will see an array of equipment, including plants, planters, weather stations, and bird boxes equipped with webcams, coming to life in this area.

We hope that this space will serve as a lovely haven for our children to learn more about the world around them, while also providing a tranquil place to relax and enjoy.



Can you help? We are wanted to replenish the stock of branches and small logs for our den building area on the field. If you can help please let the school office know.

Thank you

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#### Diary Dates for Summer Term 2025

Monday 5th May School Closed May Bank Holiday Monday 12th May SATS week Year 6 Friday 16th May Year 6 SATs treat Wednesday 21st May Stembotics workshop Class 2 and 3 Friday 23rd May School Closes for half term Monday 2nd June Staff Training Day Tuesday 3rd June School opens Tuesday 10th June Class 4 visit to Pear Rigg Friday 20th June Sports Day pm (weather pending) Tuesday 24th June Class 2 visit to Acorn Hollow Thursday 26th June Year 6 Transition Day @ Driffiled School Thursday 3rd July Brid and Headlands Transition Day Brid and Headlands Transition Day Friday 4th July Thursday 10th July KS2 Production Friday 4th July Summer Fair 1.30pm—change of date Tuesday 8th July Class 3 Big Sing pm at Brid Spa-change of date Thursday 10th July KS 2 performance of Aladdin 2pm and 6pm Parents Afternoon Tuesday 15th July Wednesday 16th July Driffiled Show Day Thursday 17th July Class 4 growing up talk Friday 18th July Leavers service 11 am followed by Whole School Picnic

End of term

Congratulations to Piper and Joshua for their outstanding achievements in sport! We are thrilled to announce that Josh, a passionate trials bike rider, has impressively won two rounds of the British championships and is gearing up for another round. We wish him every success in his attempt to become the British Champion!

Additionally, Piper shines as a talented biathlete who has qualified to represent Great Britain in an upcoming competition in Turkey later this year. These remarkable accomplishments from both athletes reflect their hard work and dedication. We are incredibly proud of them and look forward to cheering them on in their future endeavours!

# Have a lovely weekend. See you on Tuesday