



Burford Primary School

'Respect, Aspire, Achieve'

Newsletter

Friday 3rd October 2025

School Website <https://www.burfordprimaryschool.org.uk/index.php>

Good Afternoon Everyone,

I wanted to say a HUGE thank you to everyone that came to the Harvest Celebration in the Church yesterday. I was very impressed with the children and their wonderful singing and work. Also, a massive Thank you for all of the amazing donations which have been given to our chosen charity 'Besom'.

The **Besom** in **Witney** began in November 2005. Its primary aim is to serve all the churches in our local community here at the edge of the Cotswolds and to give support to all those families in need.

Message from the Eco Committee

We are the **Eco Committee** - we meet every Thursday. This year we are aiming to get the 'Green Flag' award.

As part of Eco Committee we expect everyone to turn the lights off if they are not being used as well as turning off the taps.

We want to encourage ALL of the children to be BURFORD BEST and help save the planet. Please help us to spread the word.



Rags to Riches

Again - a big thank you to all the bags of clothes we collected to help the children & families in Ukraine. At the same time, it raised £40.22 for the school.

World Mental Health Awareness Day with the theme 'Hello Yellow'

On Friday next week (10th) – come to school wearing something yellow. The day draws people's attention to initiatives and schemes which are in place to support young people and remind them they are not alone, and there are people who can support them when it comes to managing their mental health.

Christmas Merchandise

FoBPS have organised the Christmas merchandise this year from an organisation called school-fundraising.co.uk. Your child has already designed a template in school which will now be sent off to the company, then a link will come to you to order ready for Christmas.

Giraffes on Tour

We would like to support Sqn Ldr Graeme Court who is Officer Commanding Globemaster Flight on 24 Sqn, alongside 99 Sqn, making up the C17 operating Sqns within the Air Mobility Force at RAF Brize Norton. On 19th October they are looking to complete an event involving as many Toy giraffes aboard a C17 Globemaster aircraft.

[Giraffes on Tour](#) was set up in dedication to the memory of Louise Conway who sadly lost her battle with Leukaemia in 2013 aged 9 years old and has over the years raised in excess of £100,000 in aid of Great Ormond Street, we are looking to continue this excellent work with this event.

Please bring your toy giraffes into school ready for collection w/c 13 Oct they will then be returned the following week for you to collect.

Cross Country Competition



We were so proud of our Burford Cross Country team. They really did their Burford Best and were truly wonderful sportspeople who supported one another and cheered them on.

My door is always open and if you would like to book a meeting then please do contact the school office.

Happy Friday!

Rachel Veeder
Executive Headteacher

Burford Best

Each week we will be giving out certificates to a child in each class who have been 'Burford Best'

Last week they were:-

Warwick Class – Betty Castle
Windrush Class – Ava Crofts
Tolsey Class – Emma Jefferies
Wysdom Class – Max Sweetingham
Priory Class – Alfie Silvester

This week they are:-

Warwick Class – Espen Hall
Windrush Class – George Green
Tolsey Class – Isabella Harvey
Wysdom Class – Oliver Broom
Priory Class – Isla Crofts



Last week's 'Perfect Presentation' award goes to Pela Okomelko
This week's 'Perfect Presentation' award goes to Grace Carter.



Congratulations to the House Captains who have already had some amazing ideas for house competitions throughout the year. These children are keen to support the interhouse football tournament and are Burford Best role models.



Burford Best

Future dates for your diary:-

Wysdom & Priory – Cotswold Wildlife Park - Wednesday 8th October

World Mental Health Awareness Day with the theme 'Hello Yellow' - Friday 10th October

Giraffes into school Thursday 16th October for flight on 19th October- see attached poster.

Halloween Party – FoBPS Friday 17th October – 2.15 p.m. – 3.00 p.m. Warwick Class;

3.30 – 4.30 p.m. Windrush & Tolsey; 4.45 – 5.45 p.m. Wysdom & Priory.

Hinduism Day – whole school – Tuesday 21st October

October half term – term ends Friday 24th October – **no afterschool club.**

Inset Day – Monday 3rd November.

Term 2 starts – Tuesday 4th November.

School Photographer – Monday 10th November from 8.30 a.m. with siblings from outside Burford Primary School

Open morning for Nursery & Reception Sept 2026 – Thursday 20th November 9.30 a.m. – 11.30 a.m.

Panto @ Chipping Norton - whole school Friday 21st November 12.30 p.m. performance.

Parents Evenings – Tuesday 25th November & Wednesday 26th November

FOPBS Christmas Fayre – Friday 5th December 3.30 p.m.