Burford Primary School
'Respect, Aspire, Achieve'

Burford Primary School Newsletter - 17th November 2026

A message from Mrs Docherty and Mrs Veeder

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to Term 2! We hope you all had a restful and enjoyable half term. Curriculum maps for our new topics this term are on Class Dojo for you to read.It has been lovely to see the children dressed in something spotty for Children In Need today, thank you for your generous donations for this worthy cause.

Burford Bonfire and Fireworks

It was lovely to see so many of our families at the Burford Fireworks last week. FoBPS, as always, did a wonderful job of representing and supporting our school giving their time to sell sweets and candyfloss and raise money. Their stall was very successful and raised over £500 for the school that will help subsidise our annual trip to the Pantomime.

Christmas Fayre

Friday 4th December will be our annual Christmas fayre where the children will be selling the fantastic crafts they have made in class that week. We are inviting you to come into school on **Friday 27th November** in your own clothes in exchange for a tombola prize e.g. bottles, chocolate, gift sets etc A member of FoBPS will be on the school gate that morning to collect the tombola donations.

Remembrance Sunday

We would like to thank Mr Lillie for supporting our newly elected School Council with laying the Burford Primary School poppy wreath. The children did us proud and it was lovely to be supported by so many members of our school community.

Parents Evening

It was wonderful to see so many parents and carers at Parents Evening this week. If you were unable to attend and would like to speak with your child's class teacher please do get in contact.

Hockey

We are so proud of our U11 mixed hockey team who won their final match 5-0! More than that we were proud of their phenomenal sportsmanship, teamwork and effort.

A huge thank you to Mrs Williams and Mrs Duffin for supporting them in the tournament.

No Toys in School

We are seeing an increase in children bringing toys into school, including 3d printed items such as mobile phones. Please can we ask for your support in ensuring your children are not bringing toys into school as they cause significant disruption to learning and upset if lost. Thank you.

Learning Focus - Maths

Over the last couple of weeks, we have enjoyed our Maths learning walks across the classes. Our whole school focus, especially with children in Early Years and KS1 is around securing foundational knowledge that will enable our children to be able to tackle more complex maths problems as they get into KS2. Having a strong base in the core foundational skills reduces the impact upon cognitive load, and therefore enables children to tackle more complex problems with greater ease.Please do take a look at the knowledge organisers the teachers have put on Class Dojo to see the focus for this term.

Foundational Skills include:In **Reception** explore the composition of numbers to 10 and recall some number bonds.

In **Year 1** this looks like; developing fluency with addition and subtraction facts within 10 eg fact families like 8+2=10, 2+8=10, 10-2=8, 10-8=2The composition of numbers using a part, part, whole method

In **Year 2** be secure with addition and subtraction facts with 10.Add and subtract numbers that cross 10, using known bonds to ten 10 eg 8+5= 13. If we know that 8+2=10 we can then add the other three from the five

In **Year 3** Secure fluency in the facts learnt in Year 2 and begin to use these to calculate complements to 100 eg we know 8+2= 10 so 80+20=100

Best Wishes,

Mrs Docherty and Mrs Veeder

Remembrance Day



Mrs Upton has provided poppies for all of the children to put together to help create a beautiful display in the school hall, in recognition of Remembrance Day.

This year's poppy display is a way for the whole school community to come together, honour those who have served and sacrificed, and help children understand the importance of remembrance and the freedoms we enjoy today.

Mrs Upton would like to extend her thanks to Alfie Silvester and Henry Godwin for their wonderful assistance in helping arrange the poppies so beautifully.

Thank you to all the children that participated in remembrance day.







EVERY. MINUTE. MATTERS.

Attendance Matters!

Every Student, Every School, Every Day

For our pupils to gain the greatest benefit from their education it is vital that they attend regularly and on time, every day the school is open unless the reason for the absence is

unavoidable. Absences may be investigated by the Education Welfare Officer. The Absence Policy is available on the school website.

PLEASE NOTIFY US OF ANY ABSENCE BEFORE 9AM BY TELEPHONING SCHOOL ON 01993 822159.

PLEASE DO NOT DOJO OR EMAIL.

WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE: **95%**

Dates for your Diary



- Monday 23rd November - U11 Boccia Event
- Friday 4th December - Christmas Fete
- Thursday 10th December - Nativity Play at 2pm in the Church
- Thursday 10th December - Christmas Jumper Day
- Friday 11th December - The Snow Queen - Pantomime Day
- Wednesday 16th December - Upper School Christmas Carol Concert at 5pm
- Friday 18th December - last day of school **EARLY FINISH 1:30PM**
- Monday 4th January - INSET DAY

Afterschool Clubs

We have some exciting school clubs available next term.

Please see below breakdown:

Crafts Club (Upper School) - Wednesday 18th November - 16th December 15:15-16:15

Available to book on Bromcom.

Hockey Club (Upper School) - Wednesday 18th November - 16th December 15:15-16:15

Available to book on Bromcom.

Multisport Club - Tuesday 3rd November - 15th December 15:15 - 16:15

Enrolmy | Footy Kids - Booking Calendar for Burford Primary School - Term 1 - Multisport After School Club

Wraparound Care - Important Information

We are seeing an increasing number of children attending breakfast and afterschool club without a booking. Our clubs are oversubscribed so please ensure you book your child into their allocated slot ahead of the date to ensure they have a space.

Can we please remind you of the different booking options for afterschool club:

S – Short Stay 15:15-16:15

L – Long Stay 15:15-17:30

C – Club 16:15-17:30 (this is to be used if your child has attended an alternative afterschool provision and requires additional provision for the remaining slot)

We have noticed a number of late pick ups. We would like to make you aware that if your child exceeds their designated time there will be an additional charge. if you are late picking up your child from the short session you will be charged the long session. If you are late picking up your child at 17:30 you will be charged an admin fee.

If you need to get hold of club, please call the office number and click (2) for the kitchen.

Speak Out. Stay Safe.



On the 14th November as a school we watched the NSPCC Speak Out Stay Safe Assembly as part of National Anti Bullying Week. Buddy is the NSPCC Speak Out Stay Safe Mascot. He is a speech bubble, highlighting the importance of children speaking out when something doesn't feel right. We discussed safe adults both inside and outside of school and reminded our children the importance of reaching out if something doesn't feel safe.

Children in Need Donations

We are incredibly grateful for all your generous donations to our children in need fundraising event. It was lovely to see all the children in their spotty outfits.

We made an incredible £230.00!

Thank you for all your donations.

Burford Best Celebrations

Friday 13th November

Espen H - Warwick Class

Archer S - Windrush Class

Lily R- Tolsey Class

Fawaz - Wysdom Class

Alfie S - Priory Class

Perfect Presentation

Lily B - Wysdom Class

Burford Best Mathematician

Frankie D **-** Priory Class

Friday 6th November

Dolcie W- Warwick Class

Bobby- Windrush Class

Rosie D - Tolsey Class

Molly G - Wysdom Class

Kaitlyn - Priory Class

Perfect Presentation

Freddie C - Tolsey Class

Times Tables Rockstars

Thomas W

Jack A

Delilah B

Oliver B

Leo L

Ralph M

Billy O

Toby S

Oakley S

Fawaz A

Miss Ford

Hugo M

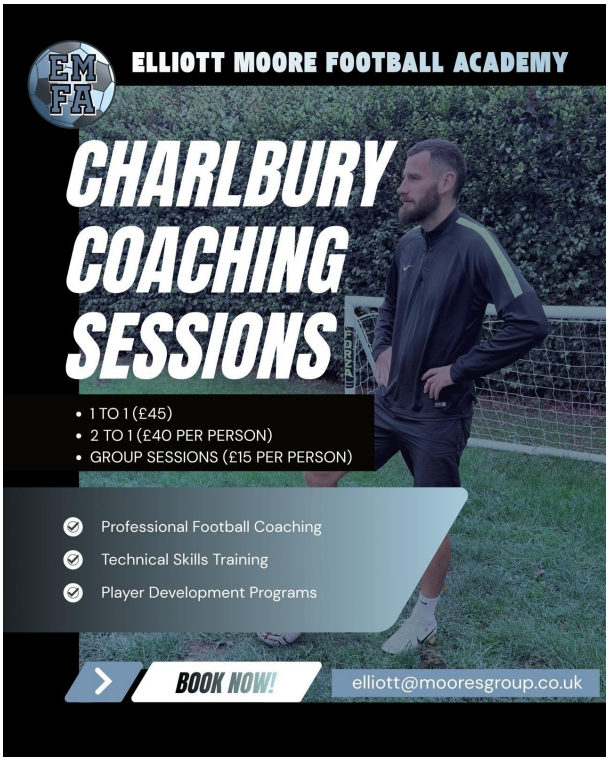
Burford Best Mathematician

Jaxon - Windrush Class

Well done everyone!

Community Information





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