



Dear Parents and Carers

As another exciting week draws to a close at Burrough Green, it gives us a chance to reflect on the great things the children have achieved this week and look forward to the next.

PHONICS CAFES

Firstly, I would, as I'm sure you all would, like to thank Mrs Leadbeter for the three Phonics Cafes she has run this term for parents. Reading is so important for our young people – it is the key to accessing the curriculum in later life and will make the children's lives so much easier. The Cafes have been well attended and feedback from parents that attended has been extremely positive. I know Mrs Leadbeter is planning more workshops so watch this space!

CALYCO

On Tuesday the children enjoyed a performance and Q and A session from Calyco (Google them if you haven't already!) a band based in London. Afterwards, six Year 6 students took part in a podcast which will eventually – after editing – be on their YouTube channel (or so we were told). This was an amazing experience for those involved. The children were enthralled and definitely inspired by what they saw. Thanks goes to Mrs Moxom for organising this experience for the children. At Burrough Green we want our curriculum to be filled with 'awe and wonder' – it is experiences like these that the children will remember for ever.

Oh, and make sure you see the Newmarket journal this week – we are in it!!!!

PTA AGM

On Wednesday evening the PTA held their AGM. It was well attended. Discussions took place about ideas for fundraising, upcoming projects and event ideas.

It was decided that there will be 5 class reps from the PTA this year:

- TERESA (Years 4/5/6) – RU PIMENTA LIMA (07462 457999)
- Year 3 – SAM PLUMB (07732 940515)
- Year 2 – GEORGIE SHEPHARD (07915 043206)
- Year 1 – KATHERINE SUMMERS (07709 120738)
- Year R – SARAH HOSEGOOD (07800 994196)

The class representatives are hoping to set up new WhatsApp groups for each class. If you would like to join any that are relevant to your children, please text them on the provided numbers and they will add you.

We need to set up new groups as some existing members of groups that are already out there, do not currently go to the school.

I would personally like to thank the PTA for all their work last year.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Don't forget it is Harvest Festival on the 4th October at the church – we are aiming to start at 9.15am and you are all welcome. The theme for this year is 'Harvests from Around the World'.

There is a table (maybe 2) in the entrance for parents to drop any donations for the harvest festival. The display has already been started. We are looking for foods with long shelf life and that are in date. Please see the attached document about 'Reach Community Projects' – it has a very useful list of things they are short of. It would be great if everyone could get behind this and contribute. Thank you.

NATIONAL POETRY DAY

Please do not forget it is National Poetry Day on the 5th October. As we move into Black History Month (something we will be celebrating at Burrough Green) I am reminded of my favourite poem by Benjamin Zephaniah:

Civil Lies

Dear Teacher,
When I was born in Ethiopia,
Life began,
As I sailed down the Nile, civilization began,
When I stopped to think, universities were built,
When I set sail,
Asian and five Americans sailed with me.
When we traded, nations were built,
We did not have animals,
Animals lived with us,
We had so much time,
Thirteen months made our year,
We created social services,
And cities that still stand.
So teacher do not say,
Columbus discovered me,
Check the great things I was doing,
Before I suffered slavery.

Yours truly
Mr Africa

We will be looking at this poem in Year 6 on National Poetry Day. It fits in with their learning on the Benin Empire and their next history module in January (The Transatlantic Slave Trade). I simply, love the poem – I have since it existed.

Do you have a favourite?

Share it with your children over the weekend.

Poetry creates imagination – I was told this by an English teacher over 40 years ago!

That's enough from me for this week, I hope you all have a restful weekend and manage to enjoy yourselves.

Take care everyone

David Sandford

Individual school photos

Tempest Photographer in school Monday 2nd October for individual and sibling photographs. We will be able to have playgroup siblings and siblings who have not yet started school. Please wait at drop off, and these photos will be taken first thing.

As lower school pupils have PE on Monday, please can they come to school in polo shirts and sweatshirts, with their PE bottoms on.

Playgroup Celebration Assembly

We would like to welcome all parents to Playgroup Celebration Assembly on Tuesday 17th October at 9.15am, to celebrate Marie's Spencer time at Burrough Green Playgroup. Marie is leaving after nearly 8 years too work alongside health visitors and supporting families.

Many families have worked with Marie during their child's time at playgroup and this is an opportunity to say thank you and best wishes for the future.

If you would like to contribute to her leaving gift, please bring donations to the School Office.

Reminder: Open Event for Reception pupils for September 2024

Is your child due to start school in Reception in September 2024? (Born between 1 September 2019 and 31st August 2020) Do you know anyone else who has a child due to start?

Our open sessions for parents to come and visit us to find out more about BGPS and Malala Class is Wednesday 11th October start at 9am and Tuesday 7th November start 2pm. Please call the school office on 01638 507236 to book a visit.

Reminder: Year 6 parents – Secondary transition applications for 2024 are now open!

To make your application, you must log into the Citizen online portal. Last year the majority of parents chose to make their applications for a school place online; this year there are no paper application forms. You need to apply via your home local authority (where you pay your Council Tax) for transferring from Primary to Secondary school.

This is the link to the [Cambridgeshire online application process](#)

This is the link to [Suffolk Admissions](#)

Applications must be submitted ***by Monday 31st October.***

Upcoming Events

Please make sure you check our [school calendar](#) to stay up-to-date with information about future events, term dates, training days etc.

2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
9-30am Individual School Photos		9-10am - Harvest Festival St Augustine's Church	National Poetry Day	Sam PARENT EVENT: Malala Sharing Assembly			
	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
		Anti-Lowback Day PARENT EVENT: EP teacher/parent meetings by appointment		3:30pm PARENT EVENT: Open Afternoon			
	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
		PARENT EVENT: Parents' Evening			Video Screening Sam PARENT EVENT: Malala Sharing Assembly		
	23	24	25	26	27	28	29



Celebrating Achievement at Burrough Green

OUR CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY HAS BEEN MOVED TO MONDAY 2ND OCTOBER DUE TO THE MACMILLAN AFTERNOON TEA.

We will report on double certificates next week

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PTA News

Don't forget to use the "Easy Fundraising", "My School Fund" or "Amazon Smile" when you are doing your shopping!



Easyfundraising.org –There are lots of retailers and service providers on the list, businesses you normally shop with anyway. Even if you log into your favourite retailer through the app half way through, it saves your basket, so you don't have to do anything different. Try it, it really does make a difference <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk>



My School Fund

In association with Argos and Sainsbury's, we have a new way to fundraise for the school when you are shopping. Every time you make a purchase, both you and BG benefit with cashback. A flyer is attached to this email. Click on the link to register as an individual and link your account to the school. <https://www.myschoolfund.org/#/>

Amazon Wish Lists

A big thank you to parents who have brought items from the wish lists, it is very much appreciated that you are supporting the school. You can find our wish lists here:

Class 1: https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/3NPNW0VXC5B5L/ref=cm_go_nav_hz

Class 2: https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/1G7U68RHVFQ87?ref=wl_share

Class 3: https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/DT99H5C97OM9?ref=wl_share

Class 4: https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/IR87MQS5XAYJ?ref=wl_share

SEND: https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/13U005HZ9BPYF?ref=wl_share