



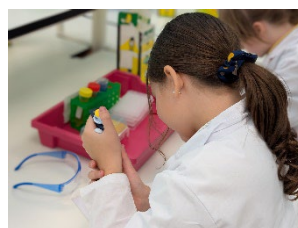
Newsletter 24.10.25

Hi everyone. As the first of 6 half terms draws to a close, I like to reflect on how the school has been moved forwards.

Our new behaviour policy will be ready for launch after governors have ratified it late November – all stakeholders have had an opportunity to contribute. There have been some significant staffing changes to bed in, and this has happened smoothly. Internally, the focus, as it should be, has been on teaching and learning. Our new curriculum is almost complete. The implementation of the Burrough Green Way is in its infancy, but there are green shoots of growth already! Parents evening was a great opportunity for you all to find out about learning and your child's achievements. The time I spent in the Atrium observing was a complete pleasure. Thank you.

Trips

Year 6 pupils from both schools enjoyed an exciting and inspiring day at the AstraZeneca STEM Inspiration Lab. The visit was designed to immerse students in real, hands-on science activities, followed by a guided walk through the Discovery Centre, where they observed researchers and scientists at work. They all (staff included) had an amazing time.



Earlier this week a joint girls football team (again from both schools) went for a day long football tournament. The girls came top of 'Division 2', but more importantly conducted themselves with the sportsmanship we expect from our students. Well done all!



Safeguarding – Online Safety

I thought I'd give this newsletter an online safety focus. As darkness draws in, it becomes more difficult for children to be allowed out, particularly during holidays – the result is often more time in front of phones (often on social media), computers or TV (I had an interesting 'debate' with my 15-year-old about whether or not TV counts as screen time – it does in my house!).

The NSPCC have a wonderful website – What Is social media? It highlights some of the risks of using social media. Below is brief list of some of the risks (the website will go into more detail)

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/social-media/>

- Oversharing

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- Sharing Location (even your child's school jumper, often visible in photos on social media, can reveal the school they go to!)
- Talking to people they don't really know (any multi-player game online – Xbox, PlayStations)
- Sending/Receiving inappropriate content
- An unrealistic sense of reality
- Obsessive focus on likes/comments

A phone conversation with my now 20-year-old daughter just confirms the NSPCCs stance. She wishes she hadn't been so hung-up social media during her teen years and especially what other people thought – she highlighted the obsessiveness over likes/comments as a particular problem that no one really talks about.

Below is a list of some of the most popular social media sites and their 'age restrictions':

- Snapchat - 13
- Instagram - 13
- What's App – 13 (was 16 until April 2024!)
- Facebook – 13
- TikTok – 13
- Twitter/X – 13
- In fact almost all sites are 13+.

The age requirements are there because of data protection laws. Online services are not allowed to collect or store children's personal information if they are under the age of 13. **Data protection laws also say that only children aged 13 and over can sign up to online services without parental permission.**

'CEOP Education – Is my child ready for social media?' is an excellent website with huge amounts of advice on this.

Speaking and Listening

Here are three more of my 'conversation starters' (an extra one for half-term!). Research tells us that it is so important that we engage in meaningful conversations with our children. It helps them to grow as both speakers and listeners.

- 1) Are fireworks a good invention? (a little early I know)**
- 2) Does a cup of tea or coffee weigh more if you add sugar to it?**
- 3) What do you think is the greatest invention ever**

These are just fun ideas for a discussion to have with your family or friends. The intention is to provide an opportunity for fun discussions as a family. Hope they are useful! I know some of you have used these and have had great fun with them. Enjoy!

Have a great half term all of you and we will see you all ready and eager on November 3rd.
Take care

David and the BG team

Next Week's Menu (Monday 3rd November)

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Meal	Macaroni Cheese (G) (MK)	Roast Gammon with Yorkshire Pudding (G)(MK)	Chicken Korma with Rice (MK)	Pork and Apple Burger (G)	Hot dogs made with premium sausages in a hot dog roll (G)(SD)
Meat Free	Spanish Omelette - made with egg, potato and onion (E)	Pizza Pin Wheels (G)(MK)	Plant based sausage Hot Dog and Chips (G)(SO)(SD)	Tomato Pasta Bake (G)(MK)	Omelette (E)
Side dish	Peas, carrots	Roast Potatoes, Peas, carrots	Carrots, sweetcorn	Chips, beans, peas	Beans, sweetcorn Wedges
Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato with Choice of toppings, beans, beans & cheese (MK), cheese (MK), Tuna Mayo (F)	Jacket Potato with Choice of toppings, beans, beans & cheese (MK), cheese (MK), Tuna Mayo (F)	Jacket Potato with Choice of toppings, beans, beans & cheese (MK), cheese (MK), Tuna Mayo (F)	Jacket Potato with Choice of toppings, beans, beans & cheese (MK), cheese (MK), Tuna Mayo (F)	Jacket Potato with Choice of toppings, beans, beans & cheese (MK), cheese (MK), Tuna Mayo (F)
Other Option	Egg mayo wholemeal bread roll (G)(E)	Cheese wholemeal Roll (G)(MK)	Tuna Mayo Wholemeal Roll (F)(G)	Cheese wholemeal Roll (G)(MK)	Fish Finger wholemeal bread roll (G)(F)
Dessert	Fruit Muffin (MK)(G)(E), Fruit, yogurt (MK)	Ice Cream (MK), Fruit, yogurt (MK)	Chocolate Brownie (E) (G)(SO) Fruit, yogurt (MK)	Ginger Biscuits (G)(E), Fruit, yogurt (MK)	Chocolate Chip Cookies (G)(SO)(E)(MK), Fruit or Yogurt (MK)
All jacket potatoes and bread rolls have a side salad. A slice of baguette is available to accompany the main meal.					

1.Allergen Key: Celery (C), Cereals (G), Crustaceans (CR), Egg (E), Fish (F), ~~Lupin~~ (L), Milk (MK), Molluscs (MS), Mustard (MU), Nuts (N), Peanuts (P), Sesame Seeds (SE), Soya (SO), Sulphur Dioxide/Sulphites (SD)

Celebrating Achievement at Burrough Green

Every Monday, in our assembly, we recognise and celebrate children who have shown evidence of our school value Aspiration, Resilience and Kindness.

Last week's ARK children were:

Malala Class	Pippa – Ozzy - Poppy
Einstein Class	Ella – Zander - Dotty
Teresa Class	Georgia – Bea - Bodhi

This week's ARK Children are:

Malala Class	Oakley – Tommy - Thomas
Einstein Class	Mia – Arlo - Vinnie
Teresa Class	Fenella – Tallulah – Jake/Jacob



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

3rd November – ISP Meetings

6th November - Visit from the Institute of Astronomy - Teresa

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- 7th November – Bikeability Y3 / 4
- 11th – Remembrance Service 9.15am at Burrough Green Church
- 12th November – New Parents 2026 Open Afternoon – 2pm
- 14th November – Children In Need
- 18th November - Year 4/5/6 Film Light theatre – Bad Boys – AM
- 19th November – Reception/Year 1/2/3 – Wild Robot – AM
- 25th November – 6pm Full Governors Meeting
- 26th November - Whole School Visit to Ely Cathedral
- 28th November – PJ Day (donations for Christmas raffle)
- 2nd December – Pupil Flu vaccinations
- 3rd December – Y3/4/5/6 Small Schools Cross Country, Milton Country Park
- 5th December – GenR8
- 9th – 12th December - Y5 /6 Residential to Flatford Mill Field Studies Centre
- 16th December – Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner
- 16th December – Elfridges
- 18th December – Whole School Nativity 5pm
- 19th December - Whole School Nativity 2.15pm
- 19th December – Last Day of term



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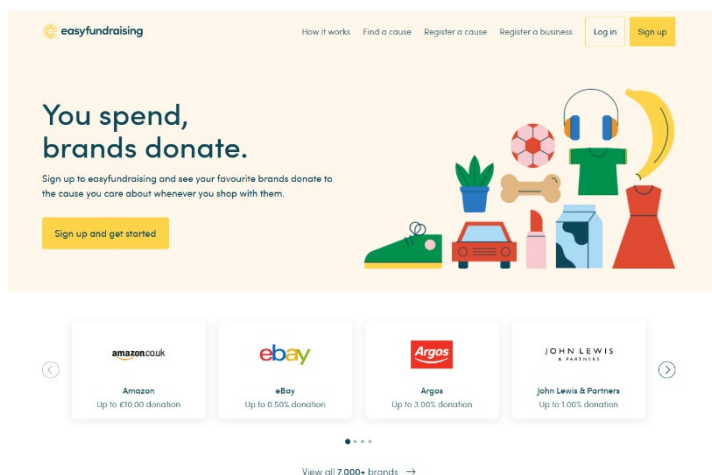
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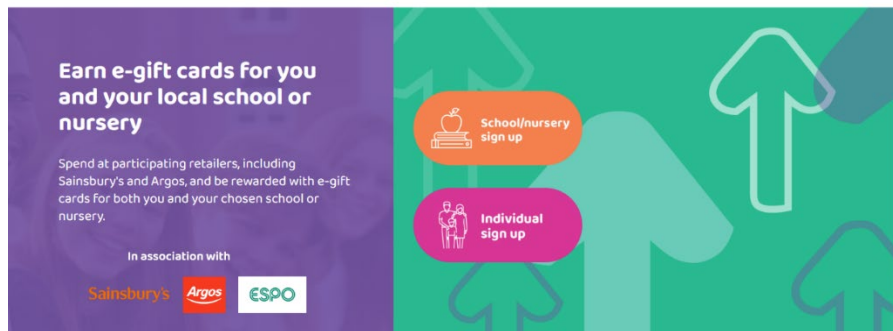
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Don't forget to use the "Easy Fundraising" and "My School Fund" when you are doing your shopping!

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




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