



Dear Parents and Carers

Hello again everyone – another amazing week has flown by at Burrough Green.

I spend time during a week talking to as many children as possible – whether it's when I'm on break duty or just visiting a class - talking about their experiences, their learning or simply asking how they are feeling and I am always pleased with their level of response. They speak confidently and can really verbalise their experiences well.

Thank you everyone who supported Malala Class in their Class Assembly last Friday. It was lovely to have snapshot of the learning that goes on in their classroom – Thank you Mrs Leadbeter and team!

Maths

On Thursday 8th February, parents from KS1 and Reception came into school to learn about all things maths. Under the excellent leadership of Angela Harris, the parents learnt much about how mathematics is taught and how best to help their children at home. The programme says the following:

'Mastering Number is a programme introduced by the NCETM (National Centre for Excellence in the Teaching of Mathematics). The programme secures firm foundations in the development of good number sense for all children from Reception through to Year 1 and Year 2. The aim over time is that children will leave KS1 with fluency in calculation and a confidence and flexibility with number. Attention will be given to key knowledge and understanding needed in Reception classes, and progression through KS1 to support success in the future.'

The event was really well attended with over 20 adults showing willing. An incredible adult turnout. The session in the hall was followed by parents experiencing a maths lesson with their children. Weekly tasks will go home to embed and establish these methods. There is a 'home diary' to be completed and returned to school so that a new pack can then be sent out.



BMX

In all my days, I did not think that BMX would be a sub-heading on one of my newsletters! It takes me back to being an early teenager (13-14) and riding my BMX around the track that we were fortunate to have in Sudbury and spending hours making jumps and things during the summer holidays. Well...BMX is coming to Burrough Green – on Monday 12th February. All KS2 children will get this opportunity. We are lucky to have Mike Mullen BMX Academy visiting. He will be running workshops with KS2 throughout the day, followed by a whole-school assembly in the afternoon.

Clothing

Children in KS2 will need to be in PE kit on Monday (12th). They will need to wear trainers and long trousers/leggings; any long hair will need to be tied low or in a plait to allow helmets to fit securely.

Thank you to Mrs Moxom for organising this opportunity. BMX is now an Olympic Sport, so children maybe further inspired this summer!

Safeguarding/Well-Being – Anxiety in Children

Everybody (including children) gets anxious – some children experience this feeling more than others and children's triggers are all different. Feelings that they experience can include: feeling tense, nervous or unable to relax. They may have a sense of dread over certain situations or simply fearing that the worst is going to happen. Left untreated, or not acknowledged, any type of anxiety can make it difficult for children to get schoolwork or homework done. It can certainly affect relationships with their peers and teachers.

In the worst cases, students with anxiety disorders miss a lot of school days - or they may avoid school altogether. Currently **our website** carries a 'children's mental health' tab. It has some basic information about anxiety and worry on it, as well as some (3) activities to try. The NHS website also has excellent information on children's anxiety.

Attached to this newsletter is an opportunity (online course) for parents to learn more about anxiety in children. It looks very useful.

Speaking and Listening

Here are three (yes three!) more of my 'conversation starters' – another excellent way to nurture mental health! 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.

I've two discussion pieces for your meal times (or whenever really!) this week:

- 1) If you gave a fish £1,000,000 would it be rich?**
- 2) Does a new leaf come from inside the tree? If not where does it come from?**
- 3) Does lined paper weigh more than plain paper?**

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!

Parking outside of school

For the safety of the children, can we remind you not to park on the yellow zigzag lines outside of school. Also a reminder to be considerate when you are parking in the village.

To see what's been happening at BGPS, please visit our [website](#) and our [Twitter](#) feed.

Take care everyone.

David Sandford

Click [here](#) to access the booking form for larks and Owls Wrap-Around Care

Next Week's Menu



BG School Lunch Menu

Week Three – 12th February 2024

	Monday	Shrove Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Meal	Beef burger in a bun (G)(E)	BBQ Chicken pitta (G)(MK)	Chicken Katsu Curry (G)(E)(MK)	Premium Sausage Toad-In-The-Hole (G)(E)(MK)(SD)	Fish Fingers (G)(F)
Meat Free	Halloumi burger with lettuce and tomato (G)(MK)	Macaroni Cheese (G)(MK)	Gnocchi Pomodora (G)(MK)	Broccoli Cheesebake with Yorkshire pudding (G)(E)(MK)	Bagel Pizza (G)(MK)
Side dish	Homemade potato wedges, beans & sweetcorn	Carrots, broccoli	Peas, broccoli	Homemade roast potatoes, carrots, cauliflower cheese (MK)(G)	Chips, beans, peas
Other option	Jacket Potato with Choice of toppings, <i>tuna mayo</i> (F)(E), <i>beans, beans & cheese</i> (MK), <i>cheese</i> (MK)	Jacket Potato with Choice of toppings, <i>tuna mayo</i> (F)(E), <i>beans, beans & cheese</i> (MK), <i>cheese</i> (MK)	Jacket Potato with Choice of toppings, <i>tuna sweetcorn and mayo</i> (F)(E), <i>beans, beans & cheese</i> (MK), <i>cheese</i> (MK)	Jacket Potato with Choice of toppings, <i>tuna mayo</i> (F)(E), <i>beans, beans & cheese</i> (MK), <i>cheese</i> (MK)	Jacket Potato with Choice of toppings, <i>tuna mayo</i> (F)(E), <i>beans, beans & cheese</i> (MK), <i>cheese</i> (MK)
	Bread Roll (G) Choice of, <i>tuna mayo</i> (F)(E), <i>cheese</i> (MK) or <i>ham</i>	Bread Roll (G) Choice of, <i>tuna mayo</i> (F)(E), <i>egg mayo</i> (E) or <i>ham</i>	Bread Roll (G) Choice of, <i>tuna mayo</i> (F)(E), <i>cheese</i> (MK) or <i>egg mayo</i> (M)	No Bread Rolls	Bread Roll (G) Choice of, <i>tuna mayo</i> (F)(E), <i>cheese</i> (MK) or <i>egg mayo</i> (E)
Dessert	Cookies (G)(E)(MK), Fruit, yogurt (MK)	Pancakes (G)(E)(MK), Fruit, yogurt (MK)	Shortbread (G), Fruit, yogurt (MK)	Treacle Sponge and Custard (G)(E)(MK), Fruit, yogurt (MK)	Self-Saucing Chocolate Cake (G)(E)(MK)(SO), Fruit, yogurt (MK)

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.

This week's ARK children are:

Malala Class	Mia – Zander - Ellen
Einstein Class	Flora – Connie – Poppy-Mae
Teresa Class	Jensen – Lunaire - Finlay
Obama Class	George – JP - Izzy



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

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Aspiration – Resilience – Kindness
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PTA News

Reminder Monday 12th Feb PTA Meeting

On Monday 12th Feb 7pm we are heading to The Bull (opposite school) to meet together as we plan a big event for the year- Burrough Green School Summer Fete!

In order to enjoy a fantastic event to showcase the school and have fun together with our children we need a bigger team for this event to be a success!

If you have ideas for stalls/games/ external businesses who could sponsor us/match fund this event we would love to know about them!

As parents of children of this school, it's a collective responsibility to help support the school and enable our children to maximise their time and experiences during their school days. We appreciate your support for whatever you can do in planning or on the day to help make this event a success!

ALSO! Please keep an eye on the school calendar, posters in the playground and on the class WhatsApp groups for upcoming events in Feb and March!

Valentine's Disco – Friday 16th February

6-7pm in the school hall, £2 entry.

You can prepay for door entry via bank transfer; **Burrough Green PTA & Friends**

Account no: 55628305 **Sort Code** – 09-01-51 **Ref** – Disco or Cash / Card on the door.

CASH only for refreshments, face paints and tattoos!

Parents are welcome to stay in the atrium where there will be refreshments available for a small donation.

Have a great weekend!

Hannah & team!

Don't forget to use the "Easy Fundraising" and "My School Fund" 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/#/>