



Dear Parents and Carers

Hello everyone and I trust you have all had a restful and relaxing Easter and made as many lasting memories as you can – and that there are no remnants of chocolate anywhere in your houses!

MARATHON RUNNER!



Our very own Assistant Headteacher – Mrs Leadbeter – will be pounding the streets of London this weekend. The London Marathon will be happening this Sunday (21st April) and the whole school community would like to wish her the best of luck. Hopefully it won't be too warm for her!

The PTA have persuaded Alice to do the marathon as a sponsored event. They have set up a fundraising page on just giving. She has even agreed to let us do a guess the time for her next one at the end of May.

The link to donate is:

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/burroughgreenprimaryschool?utm_term=vjve2Zr4r

Thank you so much – she will be number 21797, watch out for her on Sunday!

Writing

I have been invited (19th - today) to attend the Young Writers on Horseracing at the National Horseracing Museum. One of our students – Lottie Corbett (Year 6) – is a finalist. This is an incredible achievement. The whole school community is so proud of her. She worked in her own time.

I have, with her permission of course, included her short story for your enjoyment.

Gaspig For Air - By Lottie Corbett

Before entering the auction ring in Newmarket, my horse had rested his feet on the cold tarmac which was glazed with the remnants of the morning's frost. I could tell he was bulging with excitement and couldn't help breaking into a trot, sending his handler into a nervous stride. As I watched the beast stride into the ring like a showman, I stopped to take a minute for my excitement to bubble down. As I knew this horse was special and will be a future star, I couldn't help but feel my face break into a broad grin like a theatrical mask.

As it entered, I could hear a relentless chatter around me. I could see the horse's bright eyes dance with glee as he raced around the ring. I was startled at first to hear the starting price but it soon escalated.

"Can I have eight hundred?" began the auctioneer. "A well-bred thoroughbred son of Frankel. Eight hundred, anyone?" A hush settled on the ring sending everyone into an

awkward silence. My smile dropped quickly, to be replaced for a look of sheer terror. Then, I didn't see it but I heard it - a bid!

Even though I was not smiling there was a glint of disbelief in my eyes. "One thousand, anymore?" the auctioneer yelled in his speedy tone as if he was reading something out that he detested.

A surge of excitement shot up my spine like a blazing bullet. Two thousand, three thousand, four thousand... The bids got bigger and bigger while my grin increased. My elation was an almost unbearable bubble in my stomach. I knew that sons of Frankel went for a lot, but not this much. As the bids increased, I felt as if I was on top of the world and a glow - not just a glow, a spotlight of delight – spread like wildfire through me. I could hear the colt's whinny come out. It was like he knew what was happening, the auctioneer's words slipping out from his tongue.

"Five thousand, five hundred," belted out a man. A gasp toppled over the crowd. A frown settled on the auctioneer's face as he asked, "Five thousand, five hundred is the bid, anymore? Can I have six thousand?" Owing to the fact that this was Frankel's son a hand went up and the auctioneer didn't even have time to write down the bids. Would six thousand be the last of them?

Could this be the end? Eighteen long months of watching this colt zoom around paddocks, drinking its mother's milk and most of all the delight shining through his eyes like beams from a torch when he felt the warm touch of his mother's fuzzy nose.

"Seven thousand." The auctioneer's words were like a jump scare. I shot up ready and alert of the bids. Eight thousand, nine thousand, and then ten thousand.

There was a deep silence of shock from the crowd. Whoa, it didn't stop there, not even nearly. I pressed my lips together tightly so that my smile wouldn't break free. And then I couldn't help it, a smile beamed out as somebody said, "Thirty thousand!" Thirty thousand? I must be dreaming. It's too much for a horse.

My legs felt weak. I decided to sneak out to the bar to get a cheeky drink. I'm dreaming, I thought to myself. It's mad that a horse can go for so much. I ended up not seeing the bids increase or the auctioneer glaring at the bidders. Everything had gone black.

Later, when I was lying on my hospital bed, someone told me that in the end he had gone for 2.5 million. Two and a half million! I remember glaring at my lawyer, my feet barely sticking out the hospital bed as I could feel the gown rubbing on my skin causing a mark. My breath started to exhale into short shallow breaths as if I was at the bottom of a swimming pool, ripping my lungs out to find any air, as I slowly sunk down into the bed as I got told the news of how I got here.

Hope you enjoyed reading this and I will let your all know next week how she got on at the awards evening!

There are so many opportunities out there for young people to excel and not just spend time on screens and phones. You have seen through the newsletter how children are encouraged to write, whether it be short stories or poems. Our young people are incredible.

Einstein Class Visit to The Polar museum

On Wednesday, Years 2 and 3 visited the Scott Polar Institute in Cambridge. They had a great time exploring some of the events of the first expeditions into the polar regions of the globe. They found out about indigenous peoples, and discussed the importance of continued exploration through the arctic survey. Highlights for the children were the Polar Bear Skin in the lecture theatre and the penguins.



Speaking and Listening

Here are three (yes three!) more of my 'conversation starters'. 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 three discussion pieces for your meal times (or whenever really!) this week:

- 1) If a robot waiter brings you a drink should you say thank you?**
- 2) Is the gap between notes music? (I like this one!)**
- 3) Does a cup of tea weigh more if you add sugar? (possible experiment here everyone!)**

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 used these and have had great fun with them – especially with older children!

To my eye, children have come back to school enthusiastic and full of stories of their Easter holidays. It is a very happy place.

That's all from me this week.

Have a great weekend.

Take care

David Sandford
Headteacher

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

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

Star Travel Vacancy – Passenger Assistant

Star Travel are looking for a passenger assistant from the Brinkley area to supervise the children on the school bus. You would need to be able to work three mornings and three afternoons a week for approximately an hour each time. Please contact Sally on 07501705160

Next Week's Menu

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Meal	Carbonara (G)(E)(MK)	Mild Chicken Curry with Rice (G)	Beef burger in a bun (G)(E)	Pork Meatballs with Pasta in Tomato Sauce (G)	Homemade Chicken Nuggets (G)(MK)(E)
Meat Free	Mozzarella Couscous Salad (MK)	Baked Tomato Risotto (G)	Halloumi burger in a bun (G)	Spanish Omelette - made with egg, potato and onion (E)(MK)	Quorn Nuggets (G)
Side dish	Carrots, Peas	Broccoli, Sweetcorn	Beans, Sweetcorn, Homemade Potato Wedges	Broccoli, Carrots	Chips (G), Beans, Peas
Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato with Choice of toppings, tuna mayo (F)(E), cheese (MK)	Jacket Potato with Choice of toppings, tuna mayo (F)(E), beans	Jacket Potato with Choice of toppings, beans, beans & cheese (MK), cheese (MK)	Jacket Potato with Choice of toppings, tuna mayo (F)(E), beans	Jacket Potato with Choice of toppings, beans, beans & cheese (MK), cheese (MK)
Cold Option	Tuna and Sweetcorn Wholemeal Roll (F)(G)(E)	BLT Bread Roll (G)	Egg mayo and Cress Bread Roll (G)(E)	Cheese Bread Roll (G)(MK)	Fish Finger Baguette (G)(F)
Dessert	Churros with Cinnamon Sugar (G) Fruit, yogurt (MK)	Fruit Sponge (E)(G)(MK) Fruit, yogurt (MK)	Chocolate Brownie (E)(G)(MK)(SD), Fruit, yogurt (MK)	Chocolate chip cookies (G)(SO)(E), Fruit, yogurt (MK)	Fruit Muffin (G)(E), Fruit, yogurt (MK)
A selection of fresh salad and a slice of baguette is available to accompany the meal					

1. Allergen Key: Celery (C), Cornish (G), Crustaceans (CR), Egg (E), Fish (F), Lupin (L), Milk (MK), Molluscs (MS), Mustard (MU), Nut (N), Peanut (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	Arlo – Mia - Ella
Einstein Class	Jacob – Poppy-Mae - Flora
Teresa Class	Finlay – Jensen - Lunaire
Obama Class	Ben – Oliver - George

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

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/#/>

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Supporting your Anxious child

On this online course you will work alongside your tutor and other parents to increase your understanding of anxiety in children.

You will learn how to:

- Recognise the signs of anxiety.
- Identify some of the possible reasons children have anxiety.
- Develop strategies to help your child manage these feelings in a supportive group.

Date: Monday
13/05/2024-03/06/2024
Time: 10am-11.30am

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10/06/2024-24/06/2024
Time: 10am-11.30am

Date: Monday
01/07/2024-15/07/2024
Time: 10am-11.30am

Don't forget to scan the QR code and visit our website!

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