



Dear Parents and Carers

Hello again everyone. I hope you all enjoyed your half-term breaks and made lots of memories with your children.

### **Remembrance Service**

We would like to invite you all, to our Remembrance Service on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November at 9.15am at St Augustine's Church, Burrough Green. It will last around 30 minutes. The good news is that we have a new speaker (those that came to Harvest will understand our need there). We hope to see as many of you there as possible. The poem below will be performed by Einstein Class:

#### **The Inquisitive Mind Of A Child**

Why are they selling poppies, Mummy,  
Selling poppies in town today?

**The poppies, child, are flowers of love,  
For the men who marched away.**

But why have they chosen a poppy, Mummy?  
Why not a beautiful rose?

**Because, my child, men fought and died,  
In the fields where the poppies grow.**

But why are the poppies so red, Mummy?  
Why are the poppies so red?

**Red is the colour of blood, my child.  
The blood that our soldiers shed.**

The heart of the poppy is black, Mummy.  
Why does it have to be black?

**Black, my child, is the symbol of grief.  
For the men who never came back.**

But why, Mummy, are you crying so?  
Your tears are giving you pain.

**My tears are my fears for you, my child,  
For the world is forgetting again.**

### **Filming**

'It's in the can' so to speak! The promotional film was made on Wednesday – so many of our children will be in it and it was an amazing experience for those that had to do something specific in front of the camera. The film should be with us sometime next week and it will be on all of our usual social medias.

Again, A huge thank you to Georgie Shepherd for organising most of the day – thank you. Also a big thank you to Rachel and Alex McDonnell, who came in to support the process and help to organise the children.

We can't wait to see the end result.

### **Year 1 Maths Morning**

On Thursday, Mrs Leadbeter organised a very successful and informative Mathematics Morning for Year 1 parents. I saw them leave with a clutch of paperwork that will, no doubt, aide them with supporting their children at home. I've lost count of the amount of sessions Mrs Leadbeter has run this year (we are only in week 8!) – Thank you.

### **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 – the result is often more time in front of phones (often on social media), computers or TV (I had an interesting 'debate' with my 14 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
- 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
- Wink – 13
- In fact almost all site 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.

### **Booking Larks and Owls**

Please can you pre-book your children into Larks and Owls via Arbor as soon as you are aware they will be attending.

On Monday we had 10 extra children (which is fantastic to see) but we need to be able to make sure we have enough ingredients/equipment for the activities planned – it is cooking on Monday.

Also, we want to ensure correct billing. Please click [here](#) to see instructions on how to book.

Last night – Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> – It was wonderful to see the children playing/experiencing Laser Tag in the hall. There were lots of sweaty children at pick up and they had an amazing time. Please look at the timetable ([Click here – It is at the bottom of the Larks and Owls page on the website](#)) for future events.

### **Speaking and Listening**

Here are 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.

- 1) Are fireworks a good invention? (a little late 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!

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

That's all from me.

Have great week

David Sandford

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

## Music

Mrs Dunton – our recorder and piano teacher, visited Yr1, Y2 and Y3 yesterday afternoon as she has spaces in her recorder group. Children were given an information sheet to take home if they were interested in learning to play. If you would like your child to learn to play the recorder or piano, please return the forms to the school office.

## Next Week's Menu

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Meal	Macaroni Cheese (G) (MK)	Mild chicken curry with Rice (G)	Homemade Beef burger in a bun (G)(E)	Toad-in-the-hole with gravy(G)(E)(MK)	Fish fingers (G)(F)
Meat Free	Spanish Omelette - made with egg, potato and onion (E)	Mushroom carbonara (E) (MK) (G)	Halloumi Burger, Lettuce, Tomato in a Bun (G)(MK)	Toad-in-the-hole with gravy(G)(E)(MK) (SO) (SD) Vegetarian Sausage	Quorn Nuggets (G)
Side dish	Carrots, Peas	Broccoli, Sweetcorn	Beans, Sweetcorn, Homemade Potato Wedges	Broccoli, Carrots Roast Potatoes	Chips (G), Beans, Peas
Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato with Choice of toppings, beans, beans & cheese (MK), cheese (MK) tuna mayo (F)(E).	Jacket Potato with Choice of toppings, beans, beans & cheese (MK), cheese (MK) tuna mayo (F)(E).	Jacket Potato with Choice of toppings, beans, beans & cheese (MK), cheese (MK) tuna mayo (F)(E).	Jacket Potato with Choice of toppings, beans, beans & cheese (MK), cheese (MK) tuna mayo (F)(E).	Jacket Potato with Choice of toppings, beans, beans & cheese (MK), cheese (MK) tuna mayo (F)(E).
Cold Option	Tuna Baguette (G)(MK)	BLT Bread Roll (G)(MK)	Egg Mayo Bread Roll (G)(E)	Cheese Bread Roll (G)(MK)	Tuna Mayo Baguette (G)(F)(E).
Dessert	Gingerbread Biscuits (G)(E) Fruit, yogurt (MK)	Chocolate Brownie (E) (G)(SO) Fruit, yogurt (MK)	Fruit Sponge (E)(G) Fruit or Yogurt (MK)	Chocolate Chip Cookies (G)(SO)(E)(MK). Fruit, yogurt (MK)	Fruit Muffin (G)(E)(MK), Fruit, 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.

This week's ARK children are:

Malala Class	Rex – Oakley - Oliver
Einstein Class	Vinnie – Fenella - George
Teresa Class	Georgia – Beau - Odette



**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/#/>

### **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](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](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](https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/DT99H5C97OM9?ref=wl_share)