

Burrsville Infants - Newsletter

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July 20th 2018

<u>Clubs</u>

<u>Monday</u> Forest Rangers - 1 & 2 <u>Tuesday</u> Gardening - 1 & 2 Dance - 1 & 2 <u>Wednesday</u> Headers & Volleys-1 & 2 Reading club-by invitation only Fun Phonics - by invitation only <u>Thursday</u> Headers & Volleys- EYFS

Holiday dates 2017/18

Last day of school year 20 July 2018 We finish at 1.30pm

2018/19

Years 1 & 2 back 6th Sep New intake back Tue 11th Sept, 10.00am.

> Half term 22 Oct -26 Oct

Christmas holiday 21 Dec- 4 Jan 19

Dinner Menu Week beginning 6 Sep New summer menu Week 1



Dear Parents/Carers,

Last Friday evening we held our 'Sleeping under the stars' event, organised by Miss Bickmore (our Adventure Ambassador) and her glamorous assistant, Mrs Hammerton, as part of our '7 before 7' experiences. I was a little apprehensive about sleeping at school, but I can honestly say we had a great night! It was so lovely to see the children enjoying themselves, exploring their surroundings and playing with a whole range of children from year 2 and their siblings. It was also fun getting to know the parents a little better and in a less formal context! We have had such lovely feedback from parents and some suggestions as to how we can make the event even better in the future. Thank you so much to everyone who came along and made the event the great success it was. Special thanks must go to Miss Harman-Page for leading the camp fire and helping the children to toast marshmallows; Mr Baker for the numerous trips to Tesco to buy food for breakfast and Miss Chapman, for the powerful torches and camping equipment. Thank you Miss Bickmore and Mrs Hammerton – you really did provide an exceptional opportunity for learning.

Wednesday was, for us in year 2, possibly the busiest day I have ever had! We had an excellent time at the beach learning about beach safety from the coastguards and beach patrol, eating ice cream, building sandcastles and paddling in the sea. We then rushed back to school for our emotional Year 2 leavers' assembly. The children beautifully read their memories from their time with us and performed some songs they have been learning this term. Then after a brief gathering on the playground for tea and cake, it was on to the leavers' disco and what fun we all had! Thank you to all of the fabulous parents on the PTA for organising the prom and helping to make the day finish so well. The PTA also gave us £450 towards the cost of the beach trip meaning the cost was much lower for our parents. Thank you also to the Browne family for providing the DJ and disco for our children to enjoy. The children all looked amazing and were an absolute credit to you.

Our EYFS children enjoyed their 'fab finish' this week with a special beach themed day. It was great to see so many smiling, happy children having fun. Our reading race winners, Cedar class, also enjoyed their reward morning at the park and have been so proud they were the winners! What a busy week we have all had!

So, I have mentioned a couple of weeks ago, it is this time of year when sadly we need to say goodbye to some members of staff. We are saying goodbye to Mrs Barker, Mrs Darcey and Miss Croucher today. They have each played an integral part in the lives of our children and we wish them well for the future - thank you for all you have done for the school and our children. We are very lucky to be welcoming Miss Davis, Miss Padbury, Miss Clow and Miss Hutchings to the team in September – they have all been into school this week and are very excited to be joining us.

Finally we say goodbye to our Year 2 children. I know some of the children (parents and staff too!) are feeling emotional about moving on to pastures new. But this is a time of excitement and new beginnings. All staff wish each child the very best of luck and hope they settle well in their new school. We really hope they come and see us to keep us updated with their new experiences! It has been an absolute pleasure getting to know each and every one of you. Your continuous support and engagement has helped to make Burrsville the wonderful school it is. We will miss you all.

Burrsville has had another very successful year. The effective running of all departments play a major role. My sincere thanks go to our hard working and dedicated teaching staff, who have worked tirelessly this year to ensure teaching and learning standards have remained high, while ensuring the curriculum has been as creative as possible; our amazing team of support staff – learning support assistants, speech and language assistant, our learning mentor/Thrive practitioner and Family Wellbeing Practitioner, who consistently care for your children; our MDAs who work every lunchtime to look after your children, setting the tables with table cloths and place mats and making sure the dinner hall is a pleasant place to eat; the catering team at the juniors who prepare healthy meals every day; the office ladies and school business manager, who ensure all systems run smoothly; our site manager, Mr Baker and his team of cleaners, who ensure all health and safety measures are enforced; our governing body, who dedicate a great deal of time to ensuring the school is running effectively and the PTA, raising funds to enhance the curriculum and help us to provide exceptional opportunities for our children.

From everyone at Burrsville, we wish you all a wonderful summer and look forward to working with you all again in the new academic year.

Miss Siggery

Race for Life

Our final total was an amazing £1759.00. Thank you all for your generosity.

Uniform purchases

The school office will be open on Tuesday 4th Sept (9.00am – 3.00pm) for uniform purchases.

This week's Attendance

Rowan	88.43%
Maple	97.49%
Cedar	90.08%
Oak	93.65%
Cherry	99.26%
Sycamore	94.12%
Elder	91.85%
Willow	94.46%

Well done Cherry class.

THE READING AGENCY AND LIBRARIES PRESENT



14 July - 1 September in all Essex Libraries

There's mischief occurring in Essex Libraries this summer!

The Summer Reading Challenge 2018, which is produced by The Reading Agency and delivered by libraries, is **Mischief Makers**. Children are being asked to read books and, with the help of Dennis, Gnasher and other classic Beano characters, find the treasure in Beanotown.

By reading or sharing books children will earn stickers (including some special smelly stickers) and if they complete the challenge they will receive a certificate and a medal.

Children aged 10 and over can take part in the ImagiNation 2018 challenge where they can create artworks or write reviews inspired by the books they have read.

For more information go to libraries.essex.gov.uk

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The Golden Book

Well done to the following children who were in the Golden Book last week: **Rowan**

Archibald Busson for sharing his ideas and playing positively with his friends.

Ethan Barrett for making good choices at lunchtime.

<u>Maple</u>

Ralph Bakker for being able to work independently when writing. Faith Docherty for being motivated to always help others. Cedar

Esmee Johnson for impeccable behaviour on our school trip. **Mylo Burrell** for listening to instructions leading to fantastic behaviour at the zoo.

<u>Oak</u>

Parker Keeble for outstanding behaviour on our school trip. **Maisey Peters** for having super confidence this term.

Cherry

Archie Lawrence for being a good role model on our school trip to the zoo.

Harry Johns for showing enthusiasm for his learning and working really hard.

Elder

Emily Munden for always showing a positive attitude to learning. **Niamh Tracey** for trying so hard with her spelling and sentence structure.

<u>Willow</u>

Poppy Hughes for being a super role model.

Lily Seymour for being a resilient writer.

Sycamore

Noah Ellis for staying focussed and producing some lovely work. **Ellis Browne** for getting more confident throughout the year.

New Prices for Breakfast & After School clubs

Unfortunately, when we return in September, we will have to increase our prices as follows:

Breakfast club

from 7.30 - £2.00 from 8.00 - £1.50

After school club

until 3.30pm - £2.00 until 4.00pm - £4.00 until 4.30pm - £6.00 until 5.00pm - £8.00 until 5.30pm - £9.00 until 6.00pm - £10.00

Please ensure you pick up your children on time.





This year our whole school focus is on writing. To ensure we keep this focus high profile, each week we will share a special piece of written work. This week the special work is from:

Riley Charlton in Maple class.

