

Burrsville Infants - Newsletter

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Holiday dates 2016/17

Half term

Last day of summer term 2017 – 21 July

Holiday dates 2017/18

Non pupil day 4 Sep 17 Children back 5 Sep New intake start Monday 11 Sept 10.00am

Oct Half-term

23 – 27 Oct Non pupil day 20 Oct 17 Break up for Christmas 20 Dec 17

<u>Dinner Menu</u> Week beginning 5 Sep Revised summer menu

Week 1





Dear parents/carers,

It's been another very busy and exciting week at school. On Tuesday afternoon we had a very 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. Each child was then presented with a Burrsville bear as a memento of their time with us and Mrs Barker and I officially introduced every child to Mrs Syred-Paul, the head at the junior school. Outside on the playground we held our annual garden party where our year 2 parents sampled the food the children have been growing this year and helped to prepare and cook on Tuesday. Special thanks must go to our wonderful support staff for helping the children with the growing and cooking - Mrs Mann, Mrs Austin, Miss Chapman, Mrs Green, Miss Harman-Page, Mrs Lloyd and Mrs Perryman - plus many others who helped in some way. Without you it would not have been possible. Yesterday we had our Year 2 leavers' prom. The children all looked amazing and were an absolute credit to you. As I mentioned last week, it is this time of year when sadly we need to say goodbye to some members of staff. As I mentioned last week, we say goodbye to Mrs Bollu, Mrs Canham, Miss Bevis and Miss Wright 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 Mr Wainford, Miss Croucher, Miss Goncalves and Miss Kent 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. As you may remember, in the autumn term we had our long awaited Ofsted visit and secured our 'good' judgement in all areas. As you know, this doesn't just happen by chance. 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 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 Bell 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

Back to School

We return to school on Tuesday 5th Sept (years 1 & 2) Monday 11th Sept - EYFS 10.00am summer menu - week 1

This week's Attendance

Birch	92.41%
Rowan	97.86%
Maple	99.00%
Beech	95.00%
Oak	98.33%
Cherry	98.00%
Elder	97.19%
Willow	93.67%

Well done Maple class.

Whole Year's attendance

Birch	94.63%
Rowan	95.51%
Maple	95.56%
Beech	94.36%
Oak	95.60%
Cherry	95.24%
Elder	97.49%
Willow	95.47%

Well done Elder class.

Reminders

When buying your new uniform during the holidays please remember

- •school coats should be plain navy or black.
- •shoes should be black with covered toes no trainers, crocks, flip flops, open-toe sandals or boots.

The Golden Book

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

Rowan Class

Harley Partner for trying so hard to do things independently.

Kason Wright for always being a superstar helper.

Pirch place.

Isabell Smith for growing in confidence to try new things. **Jake Parsons** for thinking carefully about the sounds in words to do brilliant writing.

Maple class

Isabela Mills for coping well with change.

Charlie King for showing fantastic listening skills.

Oak Class

Luke Roberts for always completing his challenges.

Lilly Willoughby for being a great team player and good friend on sports day.

Cherry Class

Bluebell Cunningham-Mason for being a fantastic role model.

Tuliza-Avie Georgiou for making exceptional progress in all areas and always trying her best.

Beech class

Kaysi-Leigh Grantham for developing resilience and taking part in sports day.

Jayden Wolstencroft for taking part in sports day.

Elder class.

Tommie Bayford for being an all-round superstar.

Bella Leonard for being a polite, confident member of Elder class.

Willow class

Lilly-May Smith for using her initiative and supporting her classmates on the tightrope at Birch Hall Farm.

Kaiden Oxley for a great piece of writing about our trip to Birch Hall Farm.

Notice for Parents of Year 2 Children Free School Meals

Automatic entitlement to a free school meal finishes at the end of Year 2 and only children from **low income families** are eligible from Year 3.

If your household income is less than £16,190 per year, or you receive Income Support or an equivalent benefit, you will need to make an application **in August** if you want your child to receive a free school meal from September.

Applications can be made from **1 August 2017** online at www.essex.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals.

Uniform purchases

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

Writers Corner

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:

Laura Kukulka in Willow class.

