



CAN YOU BELIEVE WE'RE APPROACHING THE END OF TERM 1?

Has the first term passed as quickly for you as it has for us here at school? It is said that "time flies when you're having fun." If this is the case, then it is really no surprise that the first few weeks of the school year have flown by! In the first seven weeks of 2017/2018 all of our children have experienced wonderful teaching and learning opportunities. Examples include food preparation (thanks for the delicious 'Gruffalo Crumble' Reception class!), Ukulele lessons, high-quality P.E. and Sport provision from our specialist coaches, a 'Great Fire of London' day for the children in Year 2 and Year 1's visit to 'The Village Church Farm Museum'. Lessons in classrooms have been just as enthralling and full of learning too!

Looking at the calendar for Term 2, it seems as though it will be passing just as quickly, with many other classes taking part in extra learning opportunities between now and Christmas. Don't forget to regularly visit our website at www.burghschool.org.uk to see what we've been getting up to.

As always, thank you to everyone involved in the school community for the continued support shown towards our school.

Mr. Hurdman
Acting Headteacher

UPCOMING EVENTS

*Note: Dates may change and be added to!
Look out for text messages and letters.
Please visit our website too.*

Tuesday 31st October
Children begin Term 2

Thursday 2nd November
Y3 Egyptian Day

Friday 3rd November
PFTA discos

w/b 6th November
Y6 Bikeability

Thursday 16th November
Y5 visit to Lincoln Cathedral

Monday 4th December
Christmas Arts Day

Friday 8th December
Christmas Fair

w/b 11th December
FS/KS1 Christmas Performances

Tuesday 19th December
Carol Service in Church (2pm)
End of Term 2

Please see our website for more term dates.

TEAM CAPTAINS & JUNIOR POLICE CADET SCHOOL OFFICERS (JPCSOs)

Our Year 6 Team Captains for the year have been elected. We know that the children chosen by their peers will be great role-models for the children in our school!

Blue Team: Eryn, Freya & Sonny

Green Team: Jake & Sophie O-S.

Red Team: Alyssa & Ben

Yellow Team: Arran, Frankie & Kavya

Our Y6 Junior Police Cadet School Officers (JPCSOs) are **Amy, Emily, Maddie and Oliver**. They have already started working with PCSO Jayne, learning about keeping themselves and their community safe, whilst helping us all to become better citizens.

PARENTS' EVENING

Don't forget to check your child's bag/book bag for your Parents' Evening Appointment Slip so that you know when we are expecting to see you on Wednesday 18th or Thursday 19th October! The short appointment is an opportunity to find out how the children have settled in to their new classes (and in some cases their new school!).

Whilst we can supervise a limited number of children in the hall for a few minutes during appointments, older, responsible children are able to wait sensibly outside the classroom during appointments.

**REMEMBER: CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL FOR
TERM 2 ON TUESDAY 31st OCTOBER!**

HARVEST THANKSGIVING – THANK YOU!

Thank you from our School and also from Father Terry for the tremendous generosity shown with Harvest donations this year. It was great to see parents and friends of the school in Church for our Harvest Thanksgiving. We hope you enjoyed the new hymns and the poems, songs and prayers from all the classes from Reception to Year 5. Thank you to all the staff for fitting these in to a busy curriculum timetable. Well done also to the children in Year 6 who lead the service with their readings and prayers.

LOST OR DAMAGED BOOKS

From time-to-time accidents happen. School library books or reading books do get damaged, get lost or are eaten by the dog. If this happens, rather than leaving your child to face the wrath of an angry librarian or their Classteacher, please just let us know. If you would like to replace the book or donate towards the cost of replacing it, we certainly wouldn't refuse the offer.

STAYING SAFE ONLINE & OFFLINE

During this academic year we will be sending home a revised 'E-Safety' policy and a new 'Acceptable Use Policy' for parents and children to read and sign. Keeping children safe online is an area of concern for many parents and knowing where to find help and advice can be tricky. Children at our school learn about staying safe in today's world across a range of curriculum subjects, but obviously the messages need to come from home in the first instance.

'Parent Info' is a comprehensive, free resource covering a huge range of topics. The digital content is updated by CEOP (Child Exploitation & Online Protection Centre). Articles for parents can be located at <http://parentinfo.org/articles/all>. The 'Digital', 'Primary' and 'Top Tips' sections are definitely worth a look, as is the information on 'What age can my child...?' located at <http://parentinfo.org/article/at-what-age-can>.

If you're looking for more online safety information, such as how to secure apps and devices, visit the UK Safer Internet Centre site via www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/parents-and-carers.

Finally, we definitely recommend having a look at 'Digital Parenting Magazine', available to read or download for free at <https://parentzone.org.uk/digital-parenting-online-safety-magazine-archive>.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

As this week is Parents' Evening week, clubs have now finished for the term. There will be a new club letter coming home (and also on our website) at the beginning of Term 2. Some clubs may stay the same, whilst there may be different options too. Remember to return the slip if your child is planning on attending a club in Term 2.

Y2 SAT TESTS: May 2018

Y6 SAT TESTS: Mon 14th – Thurs 17th May 2018

Y1 PHONICS SCREENING: w/b Mon 11th June 2018

CONTACT DETAILS

If you haven't already done so, please return the 'Student Update' form containing the details we hold for your child. It is really important that all information we have is up-to-date, including your address, telephone number (including mobile number) and, of course, any medical issues. If details change at any time, please let the office know.

SCHOOL UNIFORM IS AVAILABLE ONLINE! Find it at www.nationwideschooluniforms.co.uk