



Nurture Day:

As I type, the whole school is baking, it smells wonderful! This is linked to our work on understanding the term 'nurturing' which is a key part of our whole school ethos. We are thinking about people in the village who may need a little cheering up following a tough few months in lockdown. At the end of the day these will be taken to the Church Centre and distributed along with some positive messages from the children.

The term nurturing applies to our children as we care and protect them as they grow academically and socially, in doing this we want them to understand their responsibility to support those around them, offering care and protection to others around them, in school, at home and to those in our wider community as part of their civic duty.



Sponsored Readathon:

Please support and encourage your child to read more by helping them to get sponsors to read over the Easter holidays. The forms will be given out to the children today in paper form and are attached along with this newsletter in case you need another one. There will be prizes for the winner in each class.

The proceeds raised will contribute to the reading resources in school.

Red Nose Day

We are pleased to report that the school raised £137.00 for Comic Relief. It was a great day and the children looked super in their red accessories, thank you for supporting this worthy cause.

Year 3 and 4 – class split:

Just a little update for those of you whose children are not in Year 3,4 or 6 and won't have received my letter to them. As we have had several new children join this year and one more joining after Easter, we have taken the decision to split the class. Mrs Garbutt, Mrs Nicholson and Mrs Cooke will be teaching year 3 with Mr Evans teaching Year 4 on a full-time basis. Mrs Marsh will teach Science to Year 3s. Year 6 have a new home in the mobile classroom – they all seem very excited by this!

We do not yet know arrangements for next year; it is encouraging that more children are continuing to join Burbage – please continue to spread the word about our lovely school. Our funding is directly linked to numbers so more children = more opportunities!

Year 6 – gates:

Please use the main archway gate after Easter in the mornings at 8.50am. Mrs Sinclair will release the children at the end of the day (3.20pm) via the mobile fire exit door to avoid any crossing of bubbles with Owl's Nest children.

Chestnut Reward Time:

Well done to Chestnut who won the team points competition before Christmas – they finally got their reward day in the sunshine this week! We love to reward effort, achievement, kindness, helpfulness which is how children earn team points. Big thanks to Miss Arkle for such a fun picnic / treat session.



Owl's Nest:

We are open - please book in if you are in need of childcare. We open at 7.30am in the mornings and after school until 5.45pm (4.30pm on Fridays). Mrs Yeates is back with us again which is great news.

Those of you whose children attend - they are welcome to bring in scooters to play with on the playground, however we advise against bikes. This is because the older ones have large bikes and it is tricky to manage safely with little people about.

Bromcom:

We have taken some feedback on this new app which has been fed back to Excalibur. In the meantime, please can I ask you all to make sure you have checked your personal information, contact details etc and updated them. This is essential so we can keep you well-informed, thank you.

Parent's Evenings:

Thank you to the vast majority who have signed up to School Cloud to have a remote face to face parent's evening. If you have not yet booked an appointment, please follow this link:

<https://burbageprimary.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

Those of you with children in Year 3 can still see Mr Evans or Mrs Nicholson to hear about your child's progress, your written report will be from me, Mrs Nicholson, Mrs Cooke and Mrs Marsh in the summer.

School Clubs:

There are just a few spaces for KS2 Dance if anyone else is interested, please let Mrs Lockwood know.

Music Lessons:

We have lots of slots with our fabulous peripatetic music teachers who are now back in school. Please speak to Mrs Lockwood if your child may be interested.

Bags 2 School:

Thank you all for supporting this PTA initiative - we raised £128.46 for the school.

Future Dates:

Easter Holidays - 2nd April - 18th April

ISP meetings - (only for those with ISPs) 20th and 21st April.

Parent's Evenings - week beginning 26th April

Festival Day - 30th April - these days are aimed at exploring cultures and this time we are going to be looking at the British May Day traditions. More information will follow shortly. The PTA have some exciting plans linked to this!

Happy Easter break, we hope you all have a lovely rest. We look forward to seeing you recharged and ready for Term 5.

