



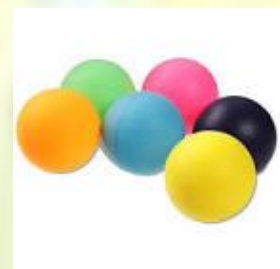
Last week saw the launch of **#HotChocolateFriday** at Burpham. Lots of schools around the country have joined in with this initiative to recognise those children who sometimes go unnoticed but who always go “over and above” what is expected of them. We want to notice those children who not only follow the school rules of being **Ready, Respectful** and **Safe** – we expect that of everyone, but who go out of their way to be good role models, even when the adults aren’t reminding them. Any adult in school can nominate a child to come for a hot chocolate in my office on a Friday morning to celebrate being brilliant!

Our first hot chocolatiers were Thomas, Emma, Beth, Talya, Jacob and Lexie – well done to you all!



We have reviewed the **whole school reward** system and now instead of having “team” points children can earn “Burpham” points. We want to celebrate whole school achievement and are encouraging the children to work together to be the best that they can be. We expect the children to follow the school rules so they won’t be earning a point for holding open the door or walking in the corridor (although we will still praise this) however they could earn a point for:

- * Consistently following school rules – Ready, Respectful, Safe (with all adults in school, all the time)
- * Going “over and above”
- * Trying their hardest
- * Being a good role model
- * Being kind
- * Reaching their goals (personal targets, times tables etc)
- * Being the best they can be



For every ten points earned the children will collect a ping pong ball, these will be collated each week in our celebration assemblies into a Perspex container. Once the box is full the whole school will have a reward (children will be given a choice of reward that they can vote on). In keeping with our positive behavior policy, once earned, points cannot be taken away.

Jo White, Headteacher

School Car Park

You might have noticed a new “Tensa” barrier over the white line in the car park. This is there for **safety** reasons at the beginning and end of the day. Until both sets of gates in the car park are shut the car park remains open and therefore is not safe for either adults or children to be standing in or moving through.



The A3 gate is opened at 3:10pm, this allows time for the taxis to exit the car park and for staff to shut the gates. The tensa barrier will remain across until this happens.

At 8:45am either myself or Mrs Marsden will put the barrier across to indicate that the middle and A3 gates are now closed and that the car park is no longer safe to walk through. The middle gate remains open for the Parrots children *only*. Any child arriving after 8:45am should go through the front door please.

Thank you for your support in keeping everyone safe.

School Lunches Working Group Update

Our school continues on its journey to review and improve school lunches, both in terms of the food and the social aspects.

Whilst Burpham take up of school lunches remains above the UK average at both Infants & Juniors, the recent survey results highlight some clear opportunities for improvement that the school are keen to embrace wherever possible. Some of the key areas of feedback included quality of some meals, not enough choice / variety, portioning, social elements including pack lunch separation and family service and a desire for more parent involvement.

It is clearly a complex project with additional considerations to be made including need for a speedy service to get a lot of children fed in a small space and short amount of time, allergies and special dietary requirements, school budgets and conforming with food standards requirements in schools such as fish once a week and limiting food in breadcrumbs.

In our first meeting as parent representatives for the School Lunches Project we discussed lots of exciting ideas and opportunities for positive change but we also heard about the constraints and challenges the school faces. The school has already begun working with expert consultants in school food management who offer menu redesign and work with school kitchens to bring these menus to life. We left the meeting excited about the future changes that will come. More concrete plans will follow in the coming weeks and months, with an ambition to make some changes in the summer term and any more significant changes in the Autumn.

If there is anything you would specifically like to raise as an idea or concern about school lunches that you weren't able to say in the survey, please let us know.

Ali Fisher & Lorraine Prinsloo

Parent Reps for the School Lunches Project

Class Zone

Children in Reception and KS1 had a super day on Wednesday with the arrival of the **Lego Village Building Workshop**. The children began by building a simple house and garden and were then



given the chance to develop their skills by designing and making a range of other buildings and transportation to create an entire village.

The children showed such imagination and some amazingly elaborate models were produced. The children left the workshops with the essential skill of appreciating the importance of covering the gaps in their brickwork in order to create a sturdy and safe wall.





E-Safety

Further to my email last week, this article regarding TikTok and Musica.ly has been brought to my attention. We know that lots of children in KS2 use this app. Please do consider age appropriateness when signing up for apps, we can be sending mixed messages to our children if we allow them to enter a false birth date on an app but insist on telling the truth the rest of the time.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/technology-47396767>

Surrey Wildlife Competition

The Surrey Wildlife Trust are launching six events to celebrate their 60th year protecting wildlife in Surrey! The first of which is the [Wild Surrey Art & Photography competition](#) which is open to children and young people between the ages of 8 and 17 and amateur and professional artists in the adult category of age 18 and over.

The competition will be seeking submissions under the following categories:

1. Inspiring nature
2. Wildlife under threat
3. Adaptation in an urban environment

Entry is open until midnight Sunday 14th April 2019. For more details on how to enter and full terms and conditions, please visit the website.

Final shortlisted submissions will be displayed at Guildford House Gallery, on Guildford High Street from 25th May until 16th June.

The aim is to create an exhibition which is thought provoking, challenging and inspiring, with the ultimate goal of raising awareness of the issues facing wildlife in Surrey and the work we do to protect it.

Young Enterprise at RGS

Young Enterprise is an opportunity to create a business from scratch and make a product to sell commercially. Team Delta is a Young Enterprise group run at RGS (The Royal Grammar School) and one of their founder members is an **ex-pupil from Burpham**. Team Delta have written and illustrated a book aimed at young children (about 3-7 year olds), promoting values of sustainability and helping nature and the environment.

The story follows Sam, a young boy, who explores the world around him and through his encounters with friendly animals, he discovers key environmental issues of high priority today. The intention is to raise awareness of these threats to our planet and offer small steps anyone can take to help adults and children alike. The book contains QR codes linking to their website which will help children to learn more about these issues. The website will provide explanations and solutions to problems raised in the book, alongside interactive activities, an audiobook and more detail for parents to raise awareness for all.

If you would like to learn more or order a copy of the book please visit Team Delta's website which contains more information about our company:
<https://www.ye-delta.com/>

Young Carers

We have many young carers at school. The Mayor of Guildford has focused his year in office in helping everyone identify them and offer any support they may need. Towards the end of his term he is having an event at Clandon Park for anyone who is a young carer and their families. Click on this link: <https://www.guildford.gov.uk/funfest> for all the information you need. It's promising to be a brilliant day full of fun and laughter.



****SAVE THE DATE****

YOUNG CARERS "FESTIVAL OF FUN"

The Mayor of Guildford, Councillor Mike Parsons, supported by the Earl and Countess of Onslow, invites you to join him for a day of fun activities for, and in celebration of Young Carers.

SUNDAY 7 APRIL 2019

10AM TO 4PM - CLANDON PARK

****SAVE THE DATE****

To find out more and register your interest please email:
civicsecretary@guildford.gov.uk

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Burpham Primary School's Admissions Policy for 2020

Following consultation the school Admissions Policy for 2020 has now been determined and is attached for information. Please be aware that the "sibling rule" remains unchanged, and any families considering moving house should note that sibling priority is applied to children who have a sibling on roll at the school at the time of admission, provided that the family remains at the address stated at the time of admission of the first sibling(s), or lives closer to Burpham Primary School than any other age-appropriate school.

Holiday Clubs

If you are looking for holiday clubs over the Easter holidays please see the attached information from SCL (at Bushy Hill School) and Energy Kidz Holiday Clubs (at Boxgrove School).

Determination of Surrey's school admission arrangements for community and voluntary controlled schools for September 2020

The admission arrangements for Surrey's community and voluntary controlled schools for 2020 admission and Surrey's primary and secondary coordinated schemes for 2020 have now been determined. Full details are available on the school admissions pages of Surrey County Council website under 'Admission arrangements and outcomes' - www.surreycc.gov.uk/admissions.

As part of the determination the following changes have been applied:

1. **Furzeffield Primary, Reigate & Banstead:** reduction of Reception PAN from 60 to 58
2. **Wallace Fields Junior, Epsom & Ewell:** change to the measuring points used to assess nearest school and home to school distance
3. **Children previously in state care outside England who left that care as a result of being adopted:** inclusion within criterion 2 for children with an exceptional social/medical need

Any person or body who considers that any aspect of these admission arrangements are unlawful or not in compliance with the School Admissions Code or relevant law relating to admissions, can make an objection to the Office of the Schools Adjudicator. Objections must be referred by **15 May 2019** and further information on how to make an objection can be obtained from the [Office of the Schools Adjudicator](#) website.

Woking Swimming Club

The above club are having trials for new members for children born between January 2010 and December 2013 and are interested in competitive swimming. The Trials will be held on Friday 15th March at Woking Pool in the Park. For more details or to book a time slot contact Jane by emailing wokingsc.newmembers@gmail.com