The Burpham Blog Spring Term Issue 2

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I'm not quite sure how, but we managed to fit 120 boys from the Guildford County choir, along with children and staff from Year 2 to Year 5 in the hall last week! The Boys' Choir came to visit us as part of their 10th annual tour and left us feeling truly inspired. Well done to all the Year 5 boys who were brave and joined in too and thank you Guildford County for coming to visit!

Mrs White

Year 5 & 6 at The Spectrum



On Monday morning a number of children from year 5 and 6 took part in an athletics competition at the **Guildford spectrum**. From the moment the children arrived, they were raring to go and got stuck in with the many track and field events ahead of them. The level of sport across all the schools was excellent, which made for a tough competition! All of our children demonstrated great team work, determination, resilience and sporting ability and have done Burpham proud – yet again!

On Friday 26th January, ten Year 5 children represented Burpham Primary at a **'Dodgeball Tournament'** hosted by Bushy Hill School. All the children taking part were fantastic, trying their best in every game and working together as a team to score points and dodge the balls from the opposition! Throughout the tournament, the children were also assessed on their sporting behaviour. Our team were all congratulated at the end for showing determination, teamwork and respect towards each other and the other teams taking part. Well done to everyone involved.

Upside Down Art!

We have spent the last 2 weeks studying Michelangelo, and we had a go at painting upside down to experience what it was like. We painted animals. Here are some pictures of the Kingfishers and the Woodpeckers hard at work!







Science Talk



We were very fortunate to have had a visit from three Guildford High School six-form students this term. Elena, Kate and Anamya had taken part in a national science competition to design the best satellite which they brought along to show us. Its purpose was to collect data about the weather and they had used a 3D printer to build the caps to hold the mechanism in place. The girls also told us how science could be used alongside many other subjects

such as art (firework design) and English (science reports). They wanted to spread the message that science is interesting and fun and to encourage more girls to study it.

Tom Wright, Kestrels

Olympic Time Tables Challenge

Congratulations to everyone who took part in the first Olympic Times Tables Challenge of 2018. This month's winners are :-

Olympian	Bronze	Silver	Gold
Dylan Pringle Yr 3	Joshua Guda Yr 3	Carrie Coomer Yr 4	Shriya Bhirdikar Yr 4
James Shaw Yr 3	Sophie Lennon Yr 3		Poppy Pang Yr 6
	Ellie Blakelock Yr 5		
	Rebecca Jennings Yr 5		
	Aimee Lalley Yr 5		

The next Olympic Time Table Chalenge will take place on Thursday 22nd February

Online Safety Webinar

Ofsted have worked with the Breck Foundation to offer schools and parents a webinar to identify and consider dangers presented by the internet and to share guidance on how to keep your children safe online. The webinar is on 31st January at 19:00pm The webinar will be presented by Hilary Macdonald, Senior HMI (Her Majesty's Inspector) and Lorin LeFave, founder of the Breck Foundation. You can register for the webinar via:

http://bit.ly/OnlineSafetyWebinar

The Burpham Primary School App



Don't forget to download the Burpham App! It's free of charge and can be downloaded at Google Play or on the Apple App Store, simply browse Burpham Primary School or the school's post code – GU4 7LZ.

Over 216 parents have already downloaded the App and we've received some very positive feedback so far. It's now so easy to look up term dates, find out what's going on in school and receive instant alerts on your phone. If you have any problems downloading the App please contact the Office Team who will be happy to help.



PSA News

NEW GIVING MACHINE APP FOR ANDROID PHONES AND TABLETS

The Giving Machine now has an App available for Android phones and tablets. Go to the Google Play store and search for the "Shop&Give" app.

Whether you have the iPhone, iPad or Android app, you need to go to the app first and then select your shop. A % of your shop will go to the school at no extra cost to you. Please remember to use TGM when shopping online. We have raised £1130 so far for our school but if everyone who signed up used it regularly, we could raise £1000s more!

From the Office

History Books

For those who would like to find out about the history of the school, Moira Hall (who used to be the School Bursar) has published two books. Firstly the story of the school, 'The History of Burpham Primary School 1908-2014' and then the story of the village, 'Burpham - A Gateway to Guildford'. You can order copies from her at moira.macquaide@gmail.com

Postive Parenting Course

There are still 8 places left on Triple P Parenting's **Positive Parenting course** on 6th February 2018 from 7pm-8:30pm here at school. The key aims of the course are to help you:

-Create a safe, interesting environment

- -Have a positive learning environment
- -Use assertive discipline
- -Have realistic expectations

-Take care of yourself as a parent

If you would like to book one of the remaining places on the seminar please contact the school office team.

Weyfield Primary School Consultation

We have been asked to inform you on behalf of The Kemnal Academies Trust (TKAT) that **Weyfield Primary School** are currently consulting on a change to their PAN (number of children in each Year Group): to reduce the PAN from 60 to 30 places in Reception for September 2019 and to 30 places for every other year group from September 2019. This means that the number of places available for children in Reception 2019 and all subsequent Reception cohorts will be 30. For children who already have a place at the school in other year groups there will be no change but the admission number for all other years will reduce to 30. TKAT, as the academy's admissions authority, is seeking comments on this proposed change. Full details of the consultation and how to respond can be found on Weyfield's website: http://www.weyfield-tkat.org/101/pupil-admissions

The consultation will end on 31st January 2018.

Part time role

Interesting part time role for a local professional firm, core hours 10am until 3pm so could suit school hours.

You will be assisting with all aspects of facilities to include reception and general admin and need to be flexible and proactive.

If interested please contact Katie at Sandiford Green Ltd Tel: 01483 370007



<u>Half Term Dance Workshops</u>

Children can keep active in the Half Term Holidays with Synergy Dance workshops at Guildford Spectrum. There is something for everyone with Frozen, Beauty and the Beast, Minions and Mayhem, Circus Themed

Acrobatics, Cheerleading and our new Trolls workshop. Bookings can be made Monday to Friday 9am - 5.30pm and Saturdays 9am - 1pm. Telephone: 01483 443322 option 4 option 2. For further information please refer to the attached flyer.



<u>Guildford Rugby Club</u> are now running non-contact girls only rugby sessions on Sunday mornings at 10am at Broadwater Sports Club. For full details please see the attached flyer.



at Worplesdon Memorial Hall Perry Hill, Worplesdon GU33RF Thursday February 15th 2-4pm

'Chasing Bluebirds'

For children age 4-10 years (accompanied by adult) Spend a happy 2 hours painting, modelling with clay, drawing, drama, quizzes, biscuit decorating, face painting etc £2 donation Sponsored By Ewbank's Auctioneers





