The Burpham Blog Summer Term Issue 4

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One World Week has started with a bang – the children have been enjoying African drumming, Bollywood dancing and the Hakka with more exciting activities to come this week. Thank you for sending in the children with stories to share and encouraging them to teach us new words in their home language. I hope to have lots of photos to share with you in the next blog and please keep an eye on the class website pages too.

A big Thank You to Peter Huggins from <u>Anderton Music</u> for donating a class set of drumsticks so that Year One can now enjoy bucket drumming with Mrs Uwins!

We are delighted and extremely grateful that so much money has been raised for our new MUGA – please see the reports from the PSA below. Thank you to everyone who has given up their time, attended events and donated money, it is always appreciated.

Mrs White *Headteacher*

Class Zone



Year 1 had a fantastic day at Marwell Zoo. We were all super scientists - looking for animals and deciding which group we would put them in. We saw lots of amazing animals out enjoying the sunshine. Our favourites were the sleeping tiger, cheeky meerkats, tall giraffes, smelly pygmy hippo and the capybara. We were proud of everyone's behaviour. Thank you to all the parent helpers who made our day possible.

Here are some quotes from the Robins:

I think the meerkats looked cute!

The Snow Leopard was really well camouflaged on the boulder.

I liked seeing the penguins feet under the water.

The Great Grey Owl looked at me with its yellow eyes!

We saw the ostrich having a sand bath!

Here are some quotes from the Finches:

I loved the giraffes, one of the giraffes was called Matilda and she has lost her tail. They has really long legs and a black tongue!

We had to be really quiet when we went to visit the tiger because she was fat asleep.

The rhinos were rolling around in the mud, they looked really funny.

The pygmy hippo was really smelly!

I tried to stand on one leg like the flamingo but I fell over.





The Reception children have this year grown potatoes under the **Grow Your Own Potato** scheme. They planted 2 varieties of new potatoes, cared for them and then harvested them. Once harvested they sorted and categorised them according to size and weight. They then washed and cut them up and we boiled them in the classroom. All the spares went to the kitchen where the catering team served them up for lunch today! Big thank you to Mrs Mitchell for co-ordinating this!



Eagles' trip to Lido

On Thursday 21st June, Eagles went to Guildford Lido to celebrate all the hard work they have done this year. The sun shined on us and we had a lovely day, topped off with an ice cream! The Eagles staff were really proud of all the Eagles' excellent behaviour, it was a pleasure to take them on the trip.

Key Stage 2 had a very informative assembly last week about the **Summer Reading Challenge** that is taking place in Surrey libraries this summer. There are lots of fantastic rewards for the children to earn and it is a great way to boost children's reading over the summer. Please see the attachments for more information.

PSA News



We would like to extend a big **thank you** to all the volunteers and families who came and supported our **Summer Fair**. A great day out was had by all - the weather held out, the children had fun playing games and the adults enjoyed time socialising with each other. I am really pleased to announce that we made **£4,600** which will all go towards the MUGA. There are more photos of the fair available on our website under News/Events.





Once again, a team of parents has undertaken and completed the **National 3 Peaks Challenge**, to raise funds for the school – and we beat the time set in 2014! We set off on Friday 8th June, driving up in two minibuses for a relaxing evening's team preparation at a youth hostel on the shores of Loch Lomond. Saturday was spent driving to Fort William, buying food for the Event, and doing final kit-checks. The clock started at 5pm, and we began our ascent of Ben Nevis (1345m), with thunder cracking overhead, making for a rather surreal evening! Returning to the minibuses in the fading daylight before 10pm, we then drove through the night to Wasdale Head to start our attack on Scafell Pike (978m) by 3:45 am. Climbing as the sun rose above the valley was an awesome experience,



tempering the fatigue.

Descending from the summit was slow and we thought time was slipping away from us, so we were thankful to make good time to Snowdon (1085m) by midday with no hold-ups in Sunday morning's traffic. Any time we had lost we more-than made up for with a very rapid ascent to the summit, perhaps the most crowded summit in the UK! Time for a final team photo with the usual Snowdon panorama in the

background – thick mist! – before heading back to the minibuses in 22hr 57min, more than half an hour faster than 2014. Of course, we had a celebratory evening meal at our overnight stop in Oswestry, before collapsing into bed after 40 hours awake. Trying to sleep in a minibus is nearly impossible, and only marginally easier is eating dinner, two breakfasts and lunch! Some statistics – we each hiked 41km, ascending (and descending!) about 3km (that's equivalent to 100 times up and down the High Street!), burnt around 4750 calories, and covered some 1300 miles in the minibuses over the weekend.

Funds raised from the Event are being put towards a Multi-Use Games Area for the school - with your support we have so far raised over **£7600**, and presented a cheque to the school at the Summer

Fair. Hopefully the total will continue to increase! If you haven't already, you can sponsor us online at Virgin Money Giving – search for Burpham Three Peaks Challenge 2018:

www.tinyurl.com/burphamn3p

https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/Team/BurphamDadsThreePeaks2018

Many thanks from the hikers: Alex, Brian, David, Gareth, Gary, Gerwyn, Graham, James, Mark, Martin, Saber, Simon; and the drivers: Andrew, Graeme, Kevin.



Many thanks to everyone who donated clothes, bags, shoes etc. for our latest Bag 2 School collection which took place on Friday 8th June. As well as donating items to charity we also raised £260.00 which will go towards the MUGA fund.



Aliana Bruce Photography, run by one of our parents, is offering 5% of any revenue raised from school parents or their family and friends to the PSA at no extra cost to yourselves all you need to do is mention Burpham Primary School when you book your photography session and Aliana will do the rest. Aliana is also offering anyone who mentions the school when they make their booking, £25 off one of her full price sessions. Aliana runs photography sessions for newborns, babies, children and families in the

Guildford area and examples of her work can be found on her web-site <u>www.alianabruce.com</u>.

Have you signed up to The Giving Machine? If so, that is great but are you using it when you shop online?

Did you know that **you need to shop via the app first** on your **iphone/ipad/Android phone or tablet**? Otherwise the school will **NOT** receive any donations.

For **PC users**, you need to install the Shop & Give reminder and then every time you shop online, the **Shop & Give purple heart icon** vill pop up on participating retailers. Click on it and a % of your shop will go to the school. Except for Amazon, please shop via TheGivingMachine website as Shop & Give does not pop up on the Amazon website.

You can even raise money when you are booking your holiday online. Websites like **Booking.com**, **Expedia**, **TUI**, **Eurocamp**, **First Choice** and many more will donate to our school if you book online.

Please remember to use TGM every time you shop online. We have raised £1200 so far for our school but if everyone who signed up used it regularly, we could raise £1000s more!!

Ice-Cream Sales!

On Friday 8th June we were again lucky with the weather for our **ice-cream sale**. The school council and their parents sold like mad and raised a super £232.36. Thank you so much to all the parents and children who came along and bought ice-creams and lollies. So far we have raised £593.00 to go towards our school playground equipment fund for next year.

Our next ice- cream sale is this Friday 29th June.

Hope to see you there!



Olympic Times Table Challenge

Congratulations to everyone who took part in this month's Olympic Times Tables Challenge; this was the final one for this academic year. We have been so impressed with how many children have been practising hard at home this year and have had a go at these really hard challenges. The total number of awards this year are: 27 Olympians; 25 Bronze; 9 silver and 5 gold. A big thank you to all the parents who encourage their children and print off the practice papers for them to improve their scores at home.

Olympian	Bronze		Silver		Gold	Time
Bay R Yr 2	Joseph M	Yr 5	Joshua G	Yr 3	Timmy J Yr 4	2.14
	Anya I	Yr 4	Oqtay E	Yr 5		

The date for the first Olympic Times Table Challenge will be published in the Math's section of the website and on the school calendar early in September.

From the Office

Lost Property

Now the amount of children at Burpham has nearly doubled in size, the office team are finding returning lost property items individually to children extremely time consuming. This is especially the case in the summer months when children take off their jumpers and cardigans and leave them in the playground after play and lunch breaks. We are now going to put any lost property, whether it is named or not, in the lost property cupboard located at the front of the school by the main entrance (outside the office window).

We are happy to help parents locate any items that are not in the lost property cupboard but please do look there first, as all items should now go to the cupboard. Many thanks.

Summer Camps: 24th, 25th & 26th July, 28th, 29th & 30th August

Fighting Fitness Judo runs 3 full days of of fun, judo inspired training and games within the school holidays. There is no need for any previous Judo experience and no need to own a Judo suit. We will be running two camps over the Holidays which is open to all.

Camp 1: Tuesday 24th- Thursday 26th July Camp 2: Tuesday 28th- Thursday 30th August

Time: 9:30am- 4:30pm

Cost: £85 for all three days or £35 per day (Early Bird Special- payment before 13th July for Camp 1 and 17th August for Camp 2) £115 for all three days or £40 per day (Payment after early bird deadline)

Please email us directly to discuss early drop offs. Any questions please do not hesitate to contact us at <u>info@fightingfitnessjudo.com</u> or call Sam on 07736 940 832

After a very successful May Half Term, Energy Kidz are now looking forward to an action-packed Summer Holiday! They will be running their Summer Holiday Club at **Boxgrove Primary School** in **Guildford** over the course of the 6-week holiday. Their fun packed holiday clubs provide fantastic activities for children and reliable childcare for working parents.

For each week of the Summer Holiday, the holiday clubs will be following a different theme. Children will be constructing Giant Star Mobiles in our Reach for the Stars week, playing Tag Piglets in Barnyard Bonanza week, baking Rainbow Cake in our Forecast of Fun week and taking on our Pirate Treasure Hunt in our Epic Explorers week among many other entertaining activities.

You can now secure your place with a **10% Early Bird Discount Offer**. Book using the code **EBSUMMER18-1** via their website to claim your discount at <u>http://bookings.energy-kidz.co.uk/</u>. For further information, Competition Giveaways and exciting Holiday Club updates, check out their Facebook page <u>http://www.facebook.com/EnergyKidz/</u>.



Positive Touch are running a **Nearly New Sale** on Saturday 7th July 2019 from 1.00pm to 3.00pm. For full details please see the attached flyer.