# The Burpham Blog Spring Term Issue 3





Day" to celebrate the children working so hard and earning lots of Burpham points. The children told me they loved being able to visit other classes and have freedom of choice in their activities. It was great to see them so engrossed and staff spent a lot of time setting up exciting things for the children to do. I hope this will become a regular occurrence in the future!

Jo White Headteacher







# **DBS Clearance & Volunteers Record of Attendance**

Any parents/carers who hold DBS clearance for Burpham Primary School need to volunteer at least once every term to keep their DBS clearance valid. You will also need to have signed our Volunteers Record of Attendance once a term so we have proof that you have been in to help. Therefore if you have not already volunteered this term and wish to keep your clearance active then please ensure you come into school to help before the end of this term (Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April). You will need to contact your child's class teacher to find a mutually suitable date for you to come in to help. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact the office team. If you have been in to help this term either in the classroom or at a PSA function then please ensure you have signed the Volunteers Record of Attendance.

# **Olympic Times Table Challenge**

Congratulations to everyone who took part in the **Olympic Times Tables** Challenge on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2020. We had a record number of children taking part and a record breaking 24

children who achieved their awards. We are so proud of every single child who had the courage and resilience to take part. During the presentations in assembly this week, a visitor was overwhelmed by the obvious delight of all the children who were so eager to cheer and applaud those who had succeeded. Even those children who were disappointed at not getting their stickers and badges were delighted for those who did. What amazing children we have at Burpham!

Olympian		Bronze		Silver		Gold	
Jacob L	Yr 4	George S	Yr 3	Annabelle S	Yr 4	Anya G	Yr 5
Morgan S	Yr 3	Isabelle H	Yr 5	Emily S S	Yr 4	Joshua G	Yr 5
Willaim W	Yr 4	Diana F	Yr 4				
Evie M	Yr 3	Annabelle S	Yr 3				
Fraser D	Yr 3	Ayaan A	Yr 4				
Charlotte H	Yr 4	Josie C	Yr 5				
Ewan J	Yr 4	Daniel E	Yr 4				
Danny B	Yr 4	Chriatian Z	Yr 3				
Ilana M	Yr 4	Taleya M	Yr 3				
Max B	Yr 4						
Charlotte S	Yr 2						

The next Olympic Times Table Challenge will take place on Thursday 19th March

# **Class Zone**

# **Zoolab Visit**

The Infant children had a treat for their first day back at school after half term. Each class enjoyed a Zoolab workshop accompanied with some rather unusual guests! Some were particularly hairy, some scaly, some slimy and some rather tickly!! The workshops linked to our new topic areas and enabled us to find out about the habitats and characteristics of these creatures. Everyone who wanted to have a hold got the chance to get close to the visitors and make friends.









**Year 3 Stone Age Day** 

Have you ever wondered if you could survive the Stone Age?! Year 3 had chance to find out when we had a visit from Portals to the Past. We looked at lots of artefacts from the Stone Age like bones and skins. We also learned how to make fire by striking flint, and we hunted down a woolly mammoth! We think that people in the Stone Age were clever and tough!











Over half-term we had some steps put in to the EYFS bank. The steps will be used for a variety of purposes including amphitheatre style seating and play. It will also mean there should be less mud in the classrooms and on the children's clothes as the children have a safer route down the slope!



# **PSA News**

#### **Second Hand Uniform Sale**

Thank you to everyone who helped, donated and bought items at the second hand uniform sale on Friday 7th February. We raised £181 for the school.

# Match funding can double our profits

Do you work for one of these companies? If so, please read on....



#### What is match funding?

An increasing number of both large and small independent companies operate a match funding scheme whereby they 'match' charity fundraising undertaken by their employees. This could be the fundraising total for an event, or for the stall that their employee is working on. A lot of bigger organisations set aside millions of pounds to fund such schemes and are more than happy to support their staff in raising money for charities of their choice.

# You could be one of those employees!

Burpham School PSA is a registered charity and as such we can benefit from your involvement, however big or small, at any of our fundraising events.

# What we're asking you to do

**Contact your Human Resources Department** to find out if your employer has a match funding scheme, or if they are willing to match funds at any of our events.

If you know that the company you work for has a match funding policy, **please do let us know**, especially if you are already volunteering or thinking of volunteering at the Circus (or any other PSA event).

Thank you in advance for looking into match funding, every little really does help.

# **Guildford Community Lottery**

Just a reminder about the **Guildford Community Lottery** which Burpham Primary School PSA is a member of. By playing you can help raise much needed funds for the school.

#### How does it work?

The lottery works in much the same way as the national lottery. Each Saturday at 8pm numbers will be drawn at random. Supporters can enter the draw by buying tickets through the Burpham Primary School PSA lottery website - the link is below.

**Tickets cost £1**, of which 50% goes to the school PSA, 10% goes to the community fund (Guildford Philanthropy), 20% goes into the prize fund and 20% is to cover running costs and admin. Although the good causes must be based in Guildford to qualify, the ticket buyers do not, so grandparents, aunties, uncles and family friends from all over the UK can take part to benefit the school.

#### Prizes!

Match 6 numbers and win £25,000 (odds 1,000,000:1)

Match 5 numbers and win £2,000 (odds 55,556:1)

Match 4 numbers and win £250 (odds 5,556:1)

Match 3 numbers and win £25 (odds 556:1)

Match 2 numbers and win 3 tickets (odds 56:1)

In addition there may be bolt-on prizes from time to time.

#### **How to Play**

For the school to benefit you must buy tickets through our lottery webpage, which you can find using the link below, or via the main Guildford Community Lottery site and searching for **Burpham** 

# **Primary School PSA**

https://www.guildfordlottery.org/support/burpham-primary-school-psa

You will be asked to register and can pay by direct debit or payment card either by a monthly recurring payment or a 1/3/6/12 month payment upfront.

Good Luck!!

# From the Office

# Snacks/Fruit

We have noticed that there is a lot of whole fruit going into the playground bins. Please can you check that your child wants a snack for break time, or reduce the size of fruit that you send in, to avoid so much waste.



# Scooters/Bikes

Please remember to collect your child's scooter/bike at the end of the day as the front of the School grounds are not locked and the School cannot be held responsible for any loss or damaged items. We have had several incidents in the past where bikes/scooters have gone missing after being left and recently a missing scooter was found in the basket ball hoop in Sutherland Memorial Park!

# Surrey County County Children's Survey

The User Voice and Participation team at Surrey County Council are running a survey for children and young people to share their views on the things that matter to them. We want to check in with Surrey children and young people and ask about their community, their health and happiness and give them a forum to have their voices heard. If successful we'll run this survey annually to consider the impact of service changes, the differences across the demographics and how the needs of our children may adapt.

Please share the links to the surveys far and wide and keep an eye on our social media feeds for links and updates.

We are printing easy read and paper versions, get in touch with <u>our.voice@surreycc.gov.uk</u> if an alternative version of the survey is needed.

Please see links below.

The OUR voice survey for Primary - 4-11 years

https://www.surreysays.co.uk/csf/our-voice-matters-survey-primary/

The OUR voice survey for Secondary/College - 11/12-25 years

https://www.surreysays.co.uk/csf/our-voice-matters-survey/

The Big Survey for Care Leavers - 18-25 years.

https://www.surreysays.co.uk/csf/big-survey-2020

The Big Survey for Looked After Children - 7-17 years.

https://www.surreysays.co.uk/csf/7-17-big-survey-2020

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#### **Yvonne Arnaud Youth Productions**

Please see the attached flyer for full detail regarding the Yvonne Arnaud Theatre's Youth Productions 'Trap' and 'Arabian Nights' in March.

# SCL Easter Holiday Club and Energy Kidz Easter Holiday Club

For full details regarding the SCL Easter Holiday club which is run at Bushy Hill Junior School, please see the attached flyer. Early booking discount expires on 20<sup>th</sup> March. Clubs are also available for May half term. We have also attached details of the Energy Kidz Easter Holiday Club and they also have an early booking discount which expires on 15<sup>th</sup> March.

# **Woking Swimming Club**

New members' trials take place on Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> Marc who were born between January 2011 and Decemb swimming and be able to swim front crawl and bac backstroke and breaststroke for the older children. please contact Jane by emailing wokingsc.newmem	her 2014. They must be interested in competitive kstroke for the younger ages and front crawl,  To find out more info and to reserve a time slot