The Burpham Blog Autumn Term Issue 4

It was an emotional day on Friday as Mrs Messenger began her maternity leave. We wish her all the very best and I promise to update you when we get some news. Meanwhile we hope she is taking the opportunity to put her feet up and get some rest while she still can!

Thank you for your support in the mornings and at drop off, things seem to be working smoothly now and we appreciate your co-operation.

Jo White, Headteacher



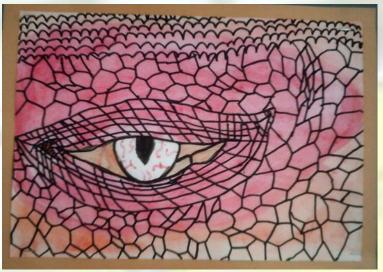
Class Pages

Year 2's own map of the UK

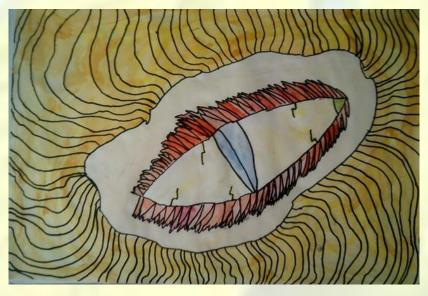


Owls and **Nightingales** made the map of the UK on the playground. They wore their house shirts to show the different countries and used skipping ropes to outline the land. They worked well as a team and produced some great maps of the UK.

This term **Year 4** have been focusing on the topic of dragons, using the book 'How to Train Your Dragon' to inspire their work. In English, the children have designed their own dragons and their habitats, writing fantastic descriptions about these creatures. We also learnt how to write instructions and created our own leaflets, explaining how to train and care for a dragon. In Art, year 4 have learnt how to draw detailed dragon eyes and use watercolour for the features. The final pieces of work are amazing and have been proudly displayed in and around the classroom.







Xmas Cards

Due to the current situation, we would kindly ask that this year children do NOT distribute Christmas cards to their friends at school. This is in line with our risk assessment that states that pupils should limit the items they bring into school in order to prevent the spread of infection through unnecessary sharing. As an alternative to individual cards, Mrs Cowley has asked every child in the school to make a reindeer themed Christmas card addressed to all their friends that will form part of a display in the hall. Photos will be taken of these and shared on the class pages of the website.

PSA News



A reminder that we are having a **Bag 2 School** collection on **Friday 4th December 2020 at 3.30pm.** We are collecting good quality adults' and children's clothing, paired shoes, handbags/bags and belts and accessories. **Please note they are no longer collecting pillows, duvets or pieces of fabric or curtains, workwear or uniforms.** The items donated by parents are taken away and weighed and the school receives a donation depending on the weight of the items received. Please don't return your filled bags until 4th December as we do not have any storage space at school. Bag 2 School are no longer supplying plastic bags so please use any strong bin liner you have at home. Please do not over fill the bags and ensure they are tied when you drop them off as Bag 2 School will not take any clothes that are wet! **Please place your bag under the tarpaulin provided on the day. You can find it outside the office team's window. Please be aware there may be a little less room when collecting your child in the afternoon.**

From the office

A quick reminder from the office team that if you are changing your child's pick up arrangements then please try to let the office team know via email (office@burpham.surrey.sch.uk) by midday (when emailing the school it would really help if you could include your child's last name and their class on the subject line). If you have an emergency change of arrangements near your child's pick-up time, then please call the school office. We now have 2 numbers you can call to reach the school: 01483 572510 or 01483 453271. We no longer have a fax number.

Are you looking for a part-time administrative work, within the school day and during term times?

Do you want to be part of a small but strong Head Office team, coordinating and supporting over 100 franchisees across the UK and Switzerland? Prepared to 'muck in', problem-solve, do something different most weeks (if not days) and work hard to advise and help our teachers run their baby signing businesses? If this is you, we want to hear from you!

Based in Guildford, the role will start on Monday 4th January, 9.30am - 2.30pm for 2 days (10 hours) a week initially, with a view to 4 days (20 hours) a week over time.

Please visit the website, www.tinytalk.co.uk for further information and email info@tinytalk.co.uk before Sunday 6th December at midnight.

We would like to inform you that we have launched <u>Blue Peter on YouTube</u> at CBBC and we were wondering if your pupils and parents would be interested in this.

Blue Peter is the longest running kids TV show in the world and we are uploading videos to it that are suitable for 5-11 year olds. We have world record breaking challenges, arts and crafts, environmental videos, cooking and baking how tos, inspirational films, gaming, celebrity appearances, dance routines and music performances. We also feature ways of getting a Blue Peter badge, behind the scenes footage and extra content about our incredible presenters Adam, Lindsey, Mwaksy, Richie and Henry the Blue Peter dog.

If you think your pupils would be interested in this, please do send this out to your parents and ask them to subscribe to https://www.youtube.com/bluepeter - (it's obviously completely free to subscribe!) and don't forget to watch the live programme on CBBC at 5.30pm every week, or on BBC iPlayer.



<u>Christmas Holiday Clubs</u>

- SCL are running a **Christmas Holiday Club at Bushy Hill Junior School** from Monday 21st to Wednesday 23rd December. For full details please see the attached flyer.
- Koosa Kids holiday club are running a **Christmas Club from 21**st **to 23**rd **December at St Joseph's Primary School** in Guildford. Please see the attached flyer for more details.

Yvonne Arnaud - The Snow Queen

Friday 11th to Thursday 24th December

Although the Yvonne Arnaud's beloved pantomime won't be possible this year, we're thrilled to announce that we'll still be producing a bit of festive magic this Christmas as we bring you The Snow Queen! Although it may seem strange to be announcing this given the current circumstances, we are optimistic that we can still deliver you some top quality, and above all else safe, Christmas cheer this year!

When Kai falls victim to the power of the Snow Queen, his best friend Gerda sets out on an epic journey to rescue him. Can she, with the help of the friends she meets along the way, reach the Frozen North and release Kai from the Snow Queen's icy spell?

Hans Christian-Andersen's timeless fairy tale is brought to life in this magical adaptation by Nick Stafford (War Horse).

Recommended for children aged 4 to 11 and their families – please contact the box office for more details.

Home Counties Carers Christmas Cards for the Elderly

Please see the attached flyer about how your child can send a Christmas card design to be shared in the community and the favourite design will be used as this year's Home Counties Carers Christmas card.

Chess Tournament Information

