

BURTON SALMON COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL



We aim to provide a rich, stimulating and enjoyable curriculum where children are encouraged to work both independently and together in a happy, secure and caring environment. We respect and value each other, show responsibility and celebrate our achievements

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Dear Parents and Carers,

February already! The half term is flying by and we are certainly making the most of it here in school. This week we have been lucky enough to have a number of welcome visitors in school with us, including representatives from the Local Education Authority, Burton Salmon residents and education experts. It has been a real pleasure hearing all of our guests comment positively upon the attitude and behaviour of our pupils and the learning they are engaged in. Well done everyone!

Class 1 News

We have been very busy in class 1 practising numeracy skills. Next week we will be working on multiplication in Year 1 and 2. Year 2 children will be solving problems using the 2, 3, 5 and 10 times tables so practising counting at home will be a help. Year 1 children will be solving multiplication problems using the 2 and 10 times table. They also need to practise writing teen numbers. Reception children will be counting in 2's and sharing objects into groups of 2.

Within literacy we have been learning about health. The children will help produce their own non-fiction books about health. Reception children have been sharing what they think it means to be healthy.

We are really pleased that so many children are reading at home. Please keep it up and record any books read in the children's reading records.

Class 2 News

Class 2 have had a good week, starting off with Science on Monday, where we investigated light and shadows (and had lots of fun with cardboard boxes and whizzers!). We have listened to more Ancient Greek Myths and now have our pottery from the Dark Ages on display.

Years 3/4 have continued to look at non-chronological reports in Literacy and written a school report for either Harry Potter or Hermione Granger. There was a SPAG focus on using present tense and Standard English. In maths we have worked on our division, remembering it is the inverse of multiplication. Year 4 also divided with decimal numbers!

Years 5 /6 have focused on addition and subtraction of decimals and have played 'Ping pong'. In English we have investigated 'ough' words, modal verbs and read and analysed short stories by Shaun Tan in preparation for writing our own short stories next week.

Have a good weekend!



GOLDEN BOOK

Special mention in assembly this week will go to –

Macey Wilkinson - For joining in all class activities with enthusiasm

Jasmine Fisher - For growing in confidence as a writer and working hard to learn number bonds to 10

Emily Hodgson – For a fantastic piece of descriptive writing and acting upon feedback - well done!

Lyndon Snowden-Hicks – For a consistently good attitude to learning and good contributions in lessons - well done, keep it up!

Other News

We would like to extend a warm welcome to the Governing Body to Mrs Jenny Brown, elected Parent Governor in recent parent elections! Mrs Brown is mum to Daisy in Year 2 and brings with her some fantastic experience and knowledge that I am sure will be a great asset to the Governors. Please keep an eye out for the next Governor Newsletter to keep abreast of the hard work done by the Governors and opportunities to meet with them should you have issues you would like to discuss.

Our Year 5 Junior Road Safety Officers (JRSOs) met with residents of Ledgate Lane this week to discuss the ongoing issue of parking around school. The JRSO's presented their plan of action with great confidence and enthusiasm and local residents shared their thoughts and issues for us to consider. Our JRSOs will be out looking at the situation in coming weeks and your efforts to support safer and more considerate parking around school are always appreciated.

Housekeeping!

We know at this time of year thoughts may well be turning to holidays and we would just like to remind parents that we can not authorise time away from school during the term. The impact of absence upon achievement is well proven with recent research showing pupils who miss just 14 days of schooling between the age of 7 and 11 are 25 per cent less likely to achieve national expectation at the end of Year 6.

We are now collecting Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers in school so please come and drop them in the box if you have any!

Have a great weekend!