

# BURTON SALMON COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! We do hope everyone has had a lovely summer and the children certainly seem to have returned with a spring in their step and a smile on their face! We have had a very busy four days here in school and it has been a real pleasure to see and hear the building full of life again. We have also had a great time getting to know our new Reception intake and they have all settled into school life wonderfully. I must also give special mention to our Year 6 pupils who have spent a tremendous first week as 'buddies', helping Reception during lunch and playtimes all week.

Thank you for your help this week in getting all pupils to school on time and seeing them in through the correct door! The decision to return to the old Girls and Boys entrances thankfully doesn't signal a return to the old Victorian values the school was perhaps built for, but is more of a practical decision to help ease over-crowding in the cloakrooms. We will continue to look at this as the year goes on and ensure we make the best use of the space we have. In the meantime if you can help ease the 'cloakroom squeeze' by saying good-bye on the playground that would be very much appreciated.

We have a busy year ahead and to help us keep you informed about all that is going in we will soon be launching a new school website, as well as a much requested 'Facebook' page for the school. To help with this can I ask that you all look over and return the 'photo permissions' letter in the pack that has been sent home this week.

## **Class 1 News**

We have made a fantastic start to the year with all the children looking refreshed and settling in to their new year groups really well. Year 1 and 2 children have started to look at books written by Julia Donaldson so if you have any at home please share them with your children. Year 2 children could maybe have a go at reading them to you. We are also thinking about where food comes from and weather around the world. Newsround and cbbc has a lot of information about hurricane Irma if you would like to share some of this with your child.

Reception children have also settled in really well. It can be hard work coming to school every day and we are really impressed with how they are getting on. Well done everyone!

Mrs Newton.

## **Class 2 News**

Class 2 have all had a great start to the year! We have been impressed with their 'holiday boxes' and can't wait to look at some more next week. All of the children have come back to school with super attitudes and ready to learn.

Year 3 have settled into Class 2 and the Year 3/4 morning routine fantastically, whilst the Year 4's have been great role models. To warm up our brains after the long summer break we have been recapping spelling and grammar rules from last year in Literacy and practising times tables and 10 more/less than in Maths. Homework books were sent home on Thursday night; if you have any queries about the information contained in them, please feel free to pop into school and speak to myself (Mrs Copley) or Mrs Torode in my absence.

Year 6 have looked after their buddies in Class 1 and have enthusiastically taken on roles as monitors for responsibilities around the school. Year 5 pupils have risen to the challenge of being in Upper Key Stage 2 lessons in the morning. We are basing our English around a novel by Judith Kerr. They have listened wonderfully, so will be able to tell you all about it! Homework has been sent and follows the same timetable as last year. As usual, if you have any queries please don't hesitate to contact me.

Best wishes

Mrs Torode and Mrs Copley

### **Golden Book**

Special mention this week goes to –

**William Welbourne** – for a great start to the year! Keep trying your best and you will do really well this year!

**All of Reception!** – for settling into school so well!

**Year 3 & 4!** – for settling into Class 2 and the Year 3/4 routine and being great role models!

**Year 5 & 6** – for a fantastic start to the school year!

### **Housekeeping**

P.E days this term will generally be Tuesday and Wednesday for Class 2 and Wednesday and Thursday for Class 1. Please ensure kit bags are in school on both days and include clothing and trainers suitable for outdoor sessions. Ideally P.E kit is best left in school all week as quite often the weather and other events do mean P.E days can be flexible.

On the 18th & 19th of September Year 6 pupils will be completing their 'Bikeability' training. Pupils will require a suitably sized bike, in good working order and with both front and rear brakes. All pupils will also require a helmet. If providing a bike for the course is tricky please let us know and we will see if we can help. Please return all the forms to school on Monday if you haven't already done so.

On the 22<sup>nd</sup> of September Years 1 and 2 will make their final visit of three to Stockbridge Farm. Fingers crossed for some pleasant Autumn weather but I suspect wellies and waterproofs may well be required! Please log onto your ParentPay account to pay and give your permission for your child to attend this visit.

On the 26<sup>th</sup> of September the whole school will participate in our first of three Cultural Awareness Days planned for this year. One part of these sessions will include henna painting on the hands, carried out with a professional henna artist. If your child has any skin sensitivities etc. and you wish for them to avoid this activity please let their class teacher know.

Don't forget pupils that have moved into Year 3 this year are no longer eligible for free school meals. These must be paid for (£2.10 per day) through your ParentPay account. Please do let us know if you have any questions.

Further dates for diary can be found on the school website.

Sorry for such a long weekly update, just goes to show what a busy first week we have all had!

Have a great weekend!