

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,

Week 3 done and dusted and a few grey days remind us that Autumn is definitely on the horizon ! Still, big smiles all round and plenty to keep us busy have at least brought some sunshine into school this week!

News from Class 1

Another great week in Class1.

We have continued our work on Roald Dahl and are starting to write our own 'Magic Finger' stories. We have been thinking about adding more descriptive words to our writing.

In numeracy Year 1 children have been working with the numbers 1-20 and writing number bonds to 5.

Year 2 children are consolidating number bonds to 10 and have enjoyed using an interactive computer game to do this ! Year 2 are also bringing home times-table's books to learn along with spellings please.

We are looking to award a prize to the champion spellers from each group.

Reception children have had a lovely week of messy play and are working hard to learn their first sounds: 's,a,t,i,p,n'. Over the next week we will be doing lots of activities using these sounds and beginning to hear them as initial sounds in words. They have sound cards in their bags to practise recognising. Sounds should always be soft e.g. sss not sur, mmm not mer'. If this all sounds a bit odd please see <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-ksblMiliA8> for a quick lesson !

Thank you

News from Class 2

Another good week for Class 2. We have been reading extracts from biographies about Roald Dahl and then identifying features from them e.g third person, past tense, factual information. We have also been learning how to use inverted commas in direct speech, how to spell and find definitions of words ending in 'ious' and have been practising handwriting.

The maths focus has continued to be place value, with times-tables challenges for Years 5 and 6.

Everyone enjoyed the Wednesday sport session and we had fun doing Yoga on Tuesday.

We identified and classified animals using Venn diagrams as part of our Science topic.

Thank you for the super response to the homework. Lots of good discussion and feedback was given in the lesson.

We are looking forward to harvest preparations and baking next week!



GOLDEN BOOK

Special mention in assembly this week will go to –

Sienna Holliday for super effort and focus in lessons, particularly maths! Keep it up Sienna!

Fiona Barber for superb concentration and great movement in Yoga class. Well done Fiona!

Seth Charles for a really positive attitude towards his work and an excellent attitude towards representing his school!

Matilda Harris for an excellent attitude towards all your work and for writing a lovely story. Well done.

Our LUNCH TIME SUPERSTARS this week are –

Hadley Carrington and **Izzy Diagostino Cummings**

For fantastic behaviour and perfect manners all week !

Other News

Our new Reception Class all looked very smart this week for their visit with the Selby Times photographer and this should go to press next week ! We will keep you posted when we find out which day.

Our Multi Sports Club got into full swing this week too, with some very positive feedback from both pupils and our new coach Mr Westerman. The club is full for this half term but we will be signing up for next half term soon. Please note parents / carers must inform us if pupils signed up for after school clubs are not attending that day, we cannot accept word from pupils on this due to concerns about allowing them to leave school potentially unsupervised.

PE days for both classes are :

Class 1 : Monday and Wednesday

Class 2 : Tuesday and Wednesday

However we ask that full PE kits are in school for the full week as unexpected changes to the school timetable can mean these days are fluid.

Housekeeping!

Parking continues to be something of an ongoing issue for all concerned including staff, parents and neighbours. Following conversations with the local community it has come to light that parents are often parking inconsiderately, causing inconvenience to residents and potential safety concerns to all. Residents have raised this with the local Police Officer and checks on road users at key times of the day are likely to occur soon. We have now elected new Junior Road Safety Officers from our Class 2 pupils and they will be out monitoring the situation too! Parking on site also continues to be an issue as staff numbers in school have increased. With this in mind the bigger, vehicle gate will now be closed at key times of the day to stop cars coming onto site, pedestrian access being via the middle gate.

Changes in national policy, relating to school staff administering medication have changed recently and we are obliged to come into line with this. We are still able to give pupils medication if it is prescribed by a doctor and has the appropriate labels detailing dosage etc. However, we are not permitted to give none prescription medication such as Calpol etc. We are quite happy for yourself or another adult to come into school to give this medication should it be thought essential but regret we can't do this for you.

Just a reminder that if your child is going home with someone other than a parent or immediate family member we need to be made aware of this before 'home time'.

Also, a big thank you to Mrs Barber and Mrs Mulherin for their efforts in our library over the last two weeks! The place has benefitted from a good 'spring clean' and with a few finishing touches to come next week we should be up and running with library again soon.

Finally, if you or anyone you know happens to have both 'green fingers' and time on your hands then perhaps you would like to volunteer to come in and help with our allotment and flower beds, perhaps with some children to help! Just let us know!

Have a great weekend,
Mr Blackwood

