



Burrsville Infants - Newsletter

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Friday 12th July 2019

Clubs

**THERE
WILL
BE NO
CLUBS
NEXT
WEEK!**

Holiday dates

2019/2020

Children in school

Thurs 5th Sep

Non pupil days are

2nd, 3rd, 4th Sep and

20th Dec

Half Term

28th Oct – 1st Nov

Christmas holiday

20th Dec – 3rd Jan

2020

Return on 6th Jan

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New Summer Menu

**Next week we will
be on week 1 of the
new Summer menu**

Dear Parents and Carers,

The theme for this week has been 'Water Safety' and the children have been learning about staying safe at the beach. Year 2 started the week with a trip to the seaside and they spent time listening to the Beach Patrol and learning about water safety. On Thursday we also had a special assembly which was led by Scott, the manager of Clacton seafront, and Sian, a member of the beach patrol. The children were able to use their knowledge from the week to answer lots of questions and build on their knowledge. Staying with the water theme, as part of our attendance rewards, five of our children and their parents had the privilege of spending the day aboard the Pioneers sailing boat. The children were chosen because their attendance showed the biggest improvement compared with their attendance from the last academic year. As always, the children were amazing and their behaviour was exemplary. The trip was organised through our attendance provider, Aquinas, and really did 'create a joy in learning' for some of our children. Thank you to Miss Turtle and Mr Baker for accompanying our families and taking some excellent photos. Mrs Green will be putting these on the website shortly.

I think I have just about recovered from our 'Sleeping under the Stars' event last Friday night, after waking up on my deflated air bed! It was so lovely to spend time with our children and their families in a less formal context, toasting marshmallows and sitting by the camp fire. Thank you to our year 2 families who attended – the feedback forms we have had back have been so positive, although I am not so keen on the suggestion that the teachers should camp in a tent rather than Cherry class next year! As you may recall, the event was part of our '7 before 7' initiative, and organised by Miss Bickmore, our Adventure Ambassador. I must say a special thank you to Miss Bickmore for organising the event, and Miss Harman-Page for her camp fire skills. Thank you also to my fellow campers – Mrs O'Reilly, Mrs Greene, Mrs Tomaselli and, the only one who camped properly, Mrs Turner! Miss Pargin, Miss Hutchings, Miss Jacobs, Mrs Wright and Miss Brazier also came along to support us during the evening, and Mr Baker helped to get everything back to normal ready for school on Monday morning. Thank you to our PTA for donating £50 for the breakfast we provided our campers with on Saturday morning, as well as our parents who gave us little extras such as cereals, marshmallows and popcorn. Thank you so much. I hope you will cherish those memories forever.

This week our children spent a morning with their new class teachers in their new classrooms. There were a few butterflies at first, but the children settled in quickly and were eager to explore their new surroundings. Our new EYFS children also came into school this week for their second visit and their parents joined Miss Pargin and I for our induction meeting. It was great to see so many familiar faces returning to Burrsville with younger siblings, and also to welcome our new families to our school community.

On Wednesday night I was bursting with pride as our children took to the stage and sang their hearts out at the Tendring Vocal Performance at the Princes Theatre. We were the only infant school to perform and the children really did look tiny on the massive stage! But what they lacked in years, they made up for with enthusiasm and they really did us proud. Mrs O'Reilly, Mrs Turner and Miss Brazier have been working very hard with the children and regularly rehearsing – thank you ladies for supporting the children and giving them the opportunity to perform on such a great stage. I was also very proud this week after chatting to Ralph (year 1) and his mum about a charity event Ralph has decided to complete. Ralph will be cycling from Clacton Pier to Walton Pier to raise money and awareness of Grace Beverton, Connie in year 1's cousin. Last year, when Grace was 5 months old, she had a seizure in her cot and a mutation of a gene was discovered. It is very rare, in fact, it is believed Grace is only the third person in the UK to have this condition. If you would like to sponsor Ralph and raise money to help Grace get the help she needs, please see me on the gate and I will be more than happy to direct you to Ralph and his sponsor form!

You may have seen an appeal we put out a couple of weeks ago for a new school boat to decorate with flowers as our current boat is falling apart. I am delighted to say the Burrell family and Clacton Sailing Club came to our rescue and we now have a lovely new boat to decorate. Thank you very much for your kind donation. Also this morning we received a beautiful gift from an anonymous parent who has had a beautiful boat specially made for this school, we would like to express our thanks to that parent for such an amazing gift.

Sycamore class were our Reading Race winners this year and they celebrated with a trip to Rascals yesterday. Well done Sycamore class! I am very proud of you! Reading plays a crucial role in children's ability to learn in all curriculum areas and is the best thing you can do to help your child at home. Don't forget to sign up to the Summer Reading Challenge at Clacton Library this year and help us to win the trophy for the third year running!

Maple class did an excellent job on Wednesday with our final class assembly of the year. I really couldn't believe how confidently the children said their lines without having to look at the words. Thank you, Maple class, for finishing the class assemblies for this year in such a positive way.

We are fast approaching the end of term, but we still have a few more events left to take place. On Saturday it will be great to see you all at our Summer Fete. Our PTA have worked so hard over many months to make sure the event runs smoothly and makes as much money as possible for our children. This week, our new stage arrived in the hall – it was entirely funded by the PTA! Thank you so much. On Monday we will be going to watch the year 6 production of the Lion King at Great Clacton Junior School. We also have our 100% attendance reward and best attending class water extravaganza on Tuesday and the year 2 leavers' assembly and prom on Wednesday. Please remember, we can only accommodate two guests for the leavers' assembly and no buggies in the hall, please, due to lack of space. Thankyou in advance for your support with this.

Thank you to the parent who donated
Have a great weekend! Miss Siggery

This week's Attendance

Class	Attendance	Lates
Rowan	88.5%	10
Maple	96.7%	4
Cedar	98.5%	11
Cherry	94.3%	3
Sycamore	95.2%	5
Elder	98.2%	6
Hazel	94.1%	10

Well done Cedar class for the best attendance this week 😊

The Golden Book

Maple Class

Olivia Webb for participating well on Sports Day.

Arthur Clawson for enthusiasm when sharing his ideas.

Rowan Class

Jullian Watkinson for lovely handwriting and resilience in learning.

Isabella Walker for independent writing.

Cherry Class

Christopher Swift for working hard on Sports Day.

Alby Holden for doing a good job in identifying features of a riddle.

Sycamore Class

The whole of Sycamore for being amazing and practising our leavers assembly so well.

Hazel Class

Rumer Powell for being such an enthusiastic reader.

Patrick Gray for always enjoying his learning.

Elder Class

Tyler Glover for being helpful and a good role model.

Tillie-Lou Brabben for being responsible and making the right choices.

Cedar Class

Ethan Barrett for working hard on Lexia.

Raleigh Keeble for working hard in science.

Visible Learner – Confident Caterpillar

Millie Hawtin for her confidence with riddles.

Year 2 Topic – Recycling

As part of the Year 2's topic of recycling they all have a special recycling bin for old batteries.....

If you have any old batteries please could you bring them in for us to recycle, thank you 😊

Dates for the diary.

Sat 13th July – School Fete 11am – 2pm

Wed 17th July – Leavers' assembly – 1:30pm

Wed 17th July – Year 2 prom

Please also note school will be finishing at 1.30pm on Thursday 18th July.

BAGS 2 SCHOOL

The collection date for all your unwanted clothes etc. is

Wednesday 17th July. Collection bags have already been sent home. Please bring all your bagged items to the school office.

Thank you 😊



Special Table

WHOLE SCHOOL
HAVE A WONDERFUL BREAK

Writer's Corner

This year our whole school focus is on writing. To ensure we keep this focus high profile, each week we will share a special piece of written work. This week the special work is from Ryder Burgess in Cherry Class.

