



Burrsville Infants - Newsletter

Website: www.burrsvilleinfantacademy.org

Friday 18th September 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had another great week back at school with everyone becoming more familiar with their new routines. Our EYFS children have now completed their second week at school and are enjoying exploring the school environment and all that it offers. They have been staying for lunch this week and we have been so impressed with how they have taken this new part of their day in their stride. Next week the children will be in school for full days so I expect there will be a few more tired children (and staff!) by the end of the week!

Thank you to everyone who helped us to raise £146.87 today by wearing jeans to support 'Jeans for Genes' day. As you may be aware, here at Burrsville we really like to support good causes and I am always so proud of the donations we are able to make to charities following fundraising. Next Friday should be our annual Macmillan Coffee Morning but due to the current Covid-19 situation, we would like to invite the children to wear non-uniform instead, for a suggested donation of £1 per family. The Macmillan colours are green and purple so if they have something in those colours they can wear, that would be great, however, please don't buy anything special and if those colours are not in their wardrobes, any non-uniform will be welcome.

I am sure you have seen in the press this week an article about a possible restructure taking place at Burrsville. Those of you who have been part of our Burrsville family for a while will remember that two years running, the local authority approached us and asked us if we would take additional 'bulge' classes of children in certain year groups due to the high birth rate. We did and the school increased from 180 to 240 children, six classes to eight. This increase was only ever a temporary arrangement to support the local authority and ensure all children needing a school place had one. With these additional classes, we had to employ additional staff. Our 'bulge' classes have now left us and are at the junior school but our staff team has remained the same, meaning we have had to look at staffing costs. We are currently at a consultation stage and are gathering ideas from all staff as to how we can make some changes whilst ensuring your children continue to get the best quality education. The staff have been offered external support during this time. Let me reassure you that your children are, and will always be, our top priority. I have a hard working and extremely dedicated team and we all want the best for our school. Thank you to those of you who have taken the time to share your support for the school with me – it really means a lot to us all.

Just a reminder that you have 15 minutes to drop off and collect your child from school. If you have a sibling in one year group and you are waiting to collect a sibling from another year group, please return to the front of the school and do not congregate on the playground. I know this is frustrating, but we must all work together to promote social distancing for the safety of everyone. Thank you for your ongoing support with this matter.

Year group	Start time	Finish time
EYFS	9:00am (Gate open 9:00-9:15am)	3:00pm (Gate open 3:00-3:15pm)
Year 1	8:45am (Gate open 8:45-9:00am)	2:45pm (Gate open 2:45-3:00pm)
Year 2	8:30am (Gate open 8:30-8:45am)	2:30pm (Gate open 2:30-2:45pm)

Next week year 1 will be having their 'Sparkling Start' to their new topic, 'Superheroes in the Big City' and I know they are going to love meeting some real life heroes!

Have a great weekend.

Miss Siggery

This week's Attendance

Class	Attendance	Lates
Rowan	93.1%	0
Maple	98.5%	2
Cedar	100%	3
Sycamore	94.6%	0
Elder	100%	1
Hazel	97.4%	1

Well done Cedar & Elder class for the best attendance this week 😊

The Golden Book

Cedar Class

Vaughan Read for amazing independent learning practising tricky words.

Paisley Bakker for brilliant writing about the colour monster.

Elder Class

Emily Boggas for brilliant work in Maths.

Kaiden Maples for wowing me with his brilliant writing.

Sycamore Class

Chloe Jay for being confident when writing and applying her sounds.

Jaxon Collins for being enthusiastic and engaged in our phonic lessons and applying his sounds well.

Hazel Class

Ronnie Daubney for working hard on his letter formation.

George Tucker for such a positive learning attitude.

Dates for the diary.

Half term

Monday 26th October – Friday 30th October
Non-Pupil Day Monday 2nd November

End of Term

Last day of term 18th December – finish at 1.30pm
Monday 21st December – Friday 1st January 2021
Non-Pupil day Monday 4th January 2021

**Children return to school on
Tuesday 5th January 2021**



MDA Special Table

This week we were celebrating
How well our early years have settled in.

Class of the Week – Maple and Rowan

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 Amelia Harding in Hazel Class.

The DRAGON is red and
big it breathes fire it looks
screeeee and it has sharp
fangs has sharp teeth and
it has a long tail it has
braces use it has scaly
lets breathe fire it flings
on a rock lets gets a little funny.

YEAR 1 – MONDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER

**All year 1 children to come to school dressed up
as a superhero for our term topic
Superheroes in the Big City!**

School Menu

Next week we will be on week 1 of our
school menu 😊