

TURNFURLONG TIMES

Friday 24th September 2021

Parent Governor Vacancy

The school has a vacancy for a Parent Governor. If you are interested or would like to know more, please contact me on mbaxter@turnfurlongmiddle.bucks.sch.uk.

Governors are volunteers and part of the school leadership. Our work is mostly behind the scenes because we are focussed on planning the way ahead, making sure that the budget is spent wisely, monitoring progress and checking that the school operates within the law.

We meet formally with Mrs Divers and the leadership team twice each term and with individual middle leaders at least once a term. Whilst previous experience of school Governance is useful, this is by no means a pre-requisite for this role as full support and induction training will be provided. Most importantly, we seek a parent Governor who has a passion for the inclusive education that we provide and is keen to work in a supportive but challenging way with the Senior Leadership of the school.

I look forward to hearing from you.
Martin Baxter

Chair of Governors

Parent Forum

Thank you to those parents who have volunteered to become parent representatives and are joining our Parent Forum. We do not yet have representatives for the following classes and its not too late to sign up! 4T, 4S, 5T, 6T, 6J, 6S.



Year 6 Residential Trip

Parents were recently contacted to ask if they would be interested in a year 6 residential trip which would take place in July 2022.

Thank you to the parents who have responded but we still have a large amount of parents who have not. Without having accurate numbers, it is extremely difficult to make a decision.

[Please click here to let us](#) know whether or not you would like your child to go by Sunday 3rd October.

Spare Shoes

Can you please ensure your child brings a spare pair of shoes to school. With the weather beginning to change, its useful to have a spare pair in school in case their shoes get wet. Thank you



Bike To School Week

27th September to 1st October

We will be taking part in Bike to School week! Teachers will be recording who cycles into school and each day your child cycles, 10 house points will be awarded!

Looking for some inspiration for how to make the hectic school run a little more fun? Cycling, walking or scooting to school is the best way to change things up and reduce your carbon footprint. So we've put together a list of 9 reasons why your family should ditch the car and enjoy a school run in the fresh air!

1. Build activity into the whole family's routine
2. It's a boost for mental health and wellbeing
3. It's the best way to start the day
4. It will help ease congestion outside the school gate
5. It's good for the environment
6. It increases children's road safety awareness
7. It lets you connect with the world around you
8. You'll save money
9. Think of all the fresh air, freedom and fun you'll have along the way



Year 3 Open Mornings

Year 3 open mornings for starters in September 2022, will take place on Wednesday 29th and Wednesday 6th October from 9.30am to 11.30am. We will be limiting numbers for our tours which will run every 30 minutes, so please ensure you call or email the office to book a slot. We look forward to welcoming you!

Online Safety

Alongside YouTube, Snapchat and Instagram, there are a number of apps that children use to interact with each other and share their lives online. Get advice on what these are and which apps you need to be aware of. This week we wanted to share with you details of how to stay safe with Instagram.



Instagram

A photo-sharing app that allows you to edit photos and videos, upload them and share them to other social networking sites. Photos and videos can be sent directly to friends. If you would like to learn some safety tips please read the attached PDF with this weeks newsletter.

Diary Dates

27/09	Catch up photos for children not in on 17/09
29/09	Year 2 parents open morning—please email the office to book a slot
29/09	Parent Forum Meeting (online) at 11am
29/09	Spelling Workshop at 2.15pm
06/10	Year 2 parents open morning —please email the office to book a slot
30/09	Last day to pay for school photographs
22/10	INSET DAY (school closed)
	25/10—29/10 Half Term
20/11	Family Christmas Photo Shoot
31/12	Last day to pay for 3J swimming (Spring term swimming)
4/3/22	Last day to pay for 3S swimming (Summer term swimming)

SEN Workshop: Spelling

Would you like support and ideas about improving your child's spelling? Mrs Upton will be running a virtual spelling workshop on **Wednesday 29th September at 2.15pm**. The meeting will take place via Google Meet. If you would like to attend, please fill in the form below and you will receive a link on the morning of the meeting.
<https://forms.gle/Ujh5VkeqWtmLPwnU7>

Missing Scooter

Can we ask children and parent's to check at home for a pink 3 wheeled scooter that has gone missing from the school site. Thank you.

Extra Curricular School Clubs

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunch		Y3/4 Newspaper Club 12:45-1:15	Y5/6 Newspaper Club 12:15-12:45	French Skype Club Year 6 12.15pm-12.45pm	
				French Skype Club Year 5 12.45pm-13.15pm	
After School	Football Years 5 & 6 3.20-4.20pm	Gymnastics Years 5 & 6 3.20-4.20pm		Football Years 3 & 4 3.20-4.20pm	
	Fencing KS2 3.20-4.20pm	Cross Country KS2 3.20-4.20pm	Tennis KS2 3.20-4.20pm	Choir KS2 3.20-4.20pm	Gymnastics 3 & 4 3.20-4.20pm
	Gardening Years 5 & 6 3.20-4.20pm				TJS Football Boys Team 3.20-4.45pm
	Writing 5 & 6 3.20-4.45pm				TJS Football Girls Team 3.20-4.45pm