



Burford Primary School

'Respect, Aspire, Achieve'

Newsletter

Friday 17th October 2025

School Website <https://www.burfordprimaryschool.org.uk/index.php>

Good Afternoon Everyone,

New Eating Policy – due to recent National news of children choking, ODST schools are adopting a new policy of children eating in school. You will find this policy on our website. Essentially, we will be asking all children to be sat down in their classrooms when eating their mid-morning snack and not at breaktime in the playground. Any child bringing in a packed lunch from home, please ensure that items such as grapes and mini-tomatoes are all cut up into small pieces.

We are all looking forward to our whole school Hinduism Day workshop on Tuesday which will include interactive listening to stories, along with hands-on activities which include greeting and garlands, relaxation and reflection and dressing up. **The children will have the option to buy a decorative clay diva from India as a keepsake for £2.00 cash. Please ensure your child(ren) brings this, on the day, in a sealed envelope with their name on and reference Hinduism Workshop if you wish to purchase.** Thank you to all those who have made the voluntary £3.00 contribution already to help cover the cost.

Next Friday, after 22 incredible Years we say 'Good Bye' to the wonderful Mrs Clarke. We would like to say a HUGE Thank you to Sally for all of her hard work and commitment to Burford Primary. Sally has always gone above and beyond for all children, staff and parents in making them feel happy and well looked after. We wish Mrs Clarke the happiest retirement.

As from November 3rd we welcome Lauren Blackwell to the team as the Office Administrator.

Also from the start of next term, we welcome to our team Miss Claire Foster (Freddie's & Amber's Mum) who will be taking over as the Breakfast Club Playworker all week and also Afterschool Club Playworker on Mondays, Tuesdays & Wednesdays, working alongside our existing team.

Further to my email this week about pre-booking breakfast & afterschool clubs, can we also ask all parents/carers to pre-book their child onto Scopay if they have lunches every week. Even if your child is in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 (Universal free school meals paid by the Government) - it is not an automatic assumption that they are booked in - so we do need to know who is and who is not having them by the Wednesday before.

There is no afterschool club provision next Friday as it is the end of a half term so please collect your child at 3.15 p.m. next Friday. My door is always open and if you would like to book a meeting then please do contact the school office.

Happy Friday!

Rachel Veeder
Executive Head Teacher

Burford Best

Each week we will be giving out certificates to a child in each class who have been 'Burford Best'

Last week they were:-

Warwick Class – Bobby Baker
Windrush Class – Jaxon Willis
Tolsey Class - Ben Lawless
Wysdom Class – Ava Boyd
Priory Class – Jenny Jefferies

This week they are:-

Warwick Class – George McCracken
Windrush Class – Alfie Carpenter
Tolsey Class – Harriet Hark
Wysdom Class – Oscar Arstall
Priory Class – Blake Cuthbert



Last week's 'Perfect Presentation' award goes to Kieran Dadge
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Future dates for your diary:-

Hinduism Day – whole school – Tuesday 21st October

October half term – term ends Friday 24th October – no afterschool club.

Inset Day – Monday 3rd November.

Term 2 starts – Tuesday 4th November.

School Photographer – Monday 10th November from 8.30 a.m. with siblings from outside Burford Primary School

Wysdom & Priory Class trip - Ashmolean Music – Wednesday 12th November.

Open morning for Nursery & Reception Sept 2026 – Thursday 20th November 9.30 a.m. – 11.30 a.m.

Panto @ Chipping Norton - whole school Friday 21st November 12.30 p.m. performance.

Parents Evenings – Tuesday 25th November & Wednesday 26th November

FOPBS Christmas Fayre – Friday 5th December 3.30 p.m.

Nativity – Warwick, Windrush and Tolsey – in the Church Tuesday 16th December 2.30pm

Children's Christmas Lunch – Wednesday 17th December