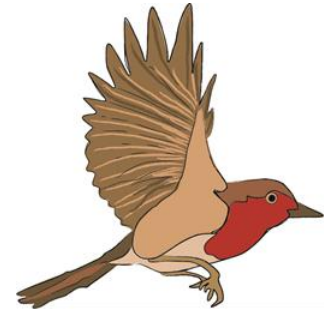


Burhill Flyer

Friday December 15th 2017 #14



This week in school

This week we have had the wonderful Reception class Nativity plays.... always a huge highlight of the festive season in school. I was so impressed - as I always am - by the hard work the reception team have had to put in to get the kind of performance we were treated to.... and of course the children were a delight. I especially loved it when the Angel Gabriel sang solo to Mary...."Mary, Mary I've got some news for you"

We have also had our very special Christingle Service - for pupils in KS2 - on Thursday evening at St Peter's. The sight of all the children with their candles is magical, and listening to the children singing carols by candlelight in church , especially the fabulous soloists just wonderful.

Christmas lunch

A huge well done to Rachel and the catering team and the midday supervisors who ran a military campaign today to feed all 650 children a tasty Christmas lunch. Everyone even got a cracker - courtesy of FoBs. It being "make it better with a sweater" day too we raised quite a bit for Save The Children exact total tbc.

Our Nursery - places next year

We are changing the way places are organised for our own Nursery next year.

We will be offering mostly full time (30 hrs) places - exact timings to be confirmed - **and some part time places**. The part time places will be 2 and a half full days - either Monday and Tuesday all day and Wednesday morning or Wednesday afternoon and Thursday and Friday all day. Parents wishing to apply for a full time – 30 hrs - place will need a code. Parents will have to show their eligibility by logging into an HMRC web site and obtaining a 12-digit eligibility code which they will have to provide to the school before the school can allow them to access 30 hours. Our Nursery application form will shortly be available on the school website. Please share this information with friends and neighbours.

Mobile Phones in Year 6

Year 6 parents we are asking for your support in managing the phone usage in year 6. As you know we have recommended your year 6 child only brings a phone to school if they are walking to/from school on their own. If you are dropping them off by the gates, or bringing them along with other siblings **THEY DO NOT NEED TO BRING THEIR PHONES**. We have discovered that some of the year 6 children are using the few minutes before school in the playground to message each other, which has in itself led to problems. **PLEASE ALSO CHECK THEIR PHONE EVERY NIGHT TO SEE WHAT THEY ARE MESSAGING**. Finally, a huge thank you to those supportive parents that have kept tabs on their child's phone usage and have removed them from the Whatsapp groups.

Applications for Reception 2018

The closing date for Reception applications for September 2018 entry is **15 January 2018**.

SurreyCC encourage online applications, however parents can also request a paper application form or seek impartial help in completing an application via the Surrey Schools & Childcare Service (0300 200 1004). Full information is available on Surrey's website at www.surreycc.gov.uk/primaryadmissions.

Applications received after the closing date without good reason will be treated as late and will not be considered until all on time applications have been processed. This may jeopardise the chance of a parent being offered one of their preferred schools for their child.

Christmas Cards

Last date for posting cards at school is **Monday 18th December**

Dates coming up

Tuesday 19 th Dec	9.30am Year 2 concert to parents and toddlers
Wednesday 20 th Dec	9.30am Year 2 concert to parents only Kyson becomes head teacher for the day- he won the day in a raffle- so look out for him! Christmas celebration afternoon- year groups differ- please refer to your class email.
Thursday 21 st Dec	School breaks up at 1.30pm

It's not what's under the Christmas tree that counts- it's who's around it.....

.....said the great Charlie Brown

Have a good weekend

Mrs T

