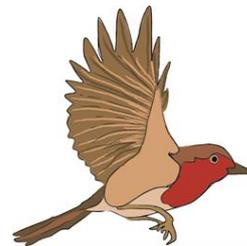


Burhill Flyer

Friday March 16th 2018 #24



This week in school

Another busy week at Burhill - in fact Mrs Adams and I were looking at the diary for the rest of the year, and we can't find a quiet week between here and the end of July. It has been lovely to see so many of you for your parents evening appointments. I know I have said it before, but it really is a very outmoded method of communication with parents. In these days of websites, learning platforms, emails and social media the level of communication we put out as a school is phenomenal. I know many of you appreciate our efforts to keep you in the loop ... but I also know many of you don't even read this !!!

Miss Potterell, Miss Finney and Mrs Carpenter took a choir group to Wembley this week for the Voice In A Million concert - and thank you to the many parents who came to support. The children did really well. The tickets were pricey I know, and the event was very late returning, but as a growing primary I feel it is very important for us to try out lots of opportunities. We will review this activity - as in all things - before we decide to repeat it next year.

Salvation Army appeal

Thank you so very much for all your brilliant donations for homeless people - they have been collected and some already handed out to local homeless people - which is particularly good given that temperatures are set to plummet again this weekend!

Uniform

I have been shown a conversation (on social media) between a group of our parents discussing how expensive Burhill jumpers are. The conversation suggests that we, as a school, take a cut from the cost of the uniform. This is simply not true. We do NOT take a share of the profit from Alleycatz. If you know me at all, you will know that I try very hard to keep costs down. Before using Alleycatz we had used another company, based in Byfleet. There was no local uniform company at the time. The company in Byfleet did a lot of their sales online, and it just did not work for us ... we had endless complaints. After Alleycatz opened up my concern was that the jumpers etc. would be too pricey - but actually parent consultation at the time revealed that parents were happy to pay a little more for the convenience.

I also hear from the parents group that some parents are going across the road to another local shop and having our logo embroidered onto a plain jumper. I have concerns about that - the logo was designed by me personally, we have a legal trademark and rights to use it are given only to Alleycatz.

Parent Governor Vacancy

Please do look out for a letter coming home soon – electronically - about a vacancy for a parent governor here at Burhill. Governors meet formally once per term, and governors working parties also once per term. Our governors are a super bunch - headed up by Tim Eckes (father to Jemima and Toby) - who work really well together to benefit the school. Each of them are busy people with working lives and families, and so don't have much time to spend. However, they really support me and the senior leaders in running the school – they help keep us focussed on what is really important, and they help us keep standards as high as possible. They also offer support in other ways- financial expertise, IT technical advice, legal expertise, curriculum support etc. Our meetings are friendly, time efficient and always accompanied by a cup of tea and a biscuit! I would be very grateful if you would give being a governor at Burhill a bit of thought- so that when the letter arrives in your inbox you might respond with a nomination.

Go Burhill Boys!

Yippee! We won a football tournament! On Tuesday 9 of the year 3&4 children represented Burhill at a boys' football tournament. The boys played amazingly well and managed to make it all the way to the final and win! They all played really well and as a great team, especially as it was the first time they all played together. As we won, we have now been entered into the district finals which will take place in the summer term. Congratulations to Charlie Twilley, Sebby Raben, Ollie Geaves, Alex Baldwin, Louis Rogers, George Hall, Jack Hawley, Max Goad and Jay Brown for all representing the school and doing so well.



Easter Holiday Club

Kids Club are running an Easter club at Hershams Youth Centre in Arch Road. This will run from 8am to 6 pm from the 4th to 13 April. They are Ofsted registered and are able to take children from 4 years old. The price is £34.50 for a full day this includes breakfast and an afternoon snack and they do a whole range of activities from cooking, arts and crafts such as block painting, t-shirt dying. They are creative with junk modelling and there is lots of outdoor fun and heaps of games. If you are interested please email Kc01childcare@gmail.com for a booking form or call Nina 07803 618 039 for more information.

Easter Raffle

All of next week I will be running an Easter Raffle- lots of lovely Easter goodies to aim for, both in little hamper bundles and also individual Easter eggs. As last year I will set up stall before school in the playground. Bring some change for a chance to win!

Socks etc

Please can I ask parents to send in any spare socks / tights (boys and girls all sizes) – we are running short of our spares.

Please wash and return any that are borrowed from school.

DBS Register

Reminder to all of our volunteers/parent helpers – please remember to sign the DBS Register before the end of this term (Thursday 29th March) – the register can be signed at the school office – or there is a duplicate register at Breakfast/After School Club if you are not able to come into the school office – there is a member of staff at the school office until 5.30 pm every school day, if you are unable to pop in during the normal school day.

Dance

Registration for Dance club in the Summer term will be this Sunday (18th March). Please go to www.minidanceperformers.com and go to the information page to see details on how to register.

Strictly Beauty and Bling - Tuesday 27th March, 7.30pm

FoB's fab evening of Strictly dresses, pampering and shopping is fast approaching. Tickets are selling fast! Come and join the fun!

Our stall holders and beauticians have donated a lovely range of prizes for our STRICTLY RAFFLE! You don't have to be at the event to buy raffle tickets - we will be selling them at drop off and pick up, from Wednesday to Friday next week. Tickets are 50p each, or £2 for a strip. The raffle will be drawn on the 27th March at the event. All proceeds from the raffle will go to the Friends of Burhill School. The list of prizes is attached.

Dates coming up

PTA meeting - 7pm school hall Tues 20 March (note new time)

FoBS Spring discos for years 3, 4, and 5 - after school on Fri 23rd March

STRICTLY PAMPER EVENING- 7.30pm Tues 27th March

Have a good weekend

Mrs T