FRIDAY 19TH JULY 2024



The final 'Burton Buzz' of the academic year is here! We have had a really busy last week of term. We said an emotional 'goodbye' to most of our Year 6 children on Tuesday - they have enjoyed three transition days at their new schools ready for September.

On Wednesday and Thursday the children spent time in their new classes with their new teachers. These were really positive days where the children got used to the new adults they will be working with and their new classrooms. It was lovely to see those parents and carers who were able to pop in and meet the teachers at the end of each day.

Thank you for all of your positive words about the transition arrangements we have put in place this year.

All that remains for me to do is wish our children and their families a very happy and restful summer break. We look forward to seeing everyone again ready and raring to go on Tuesday 3rd September at 8.35am

Graham Almond Headteacher

EAR RINGS

If you are planning on getting your child's ears pierced now is the time to do this. We know ear rings have to stay in for a period of time once they have been pierced and it is our school policy that ear rings cannot be worn for PE/Sports activities. We do not want any children missing out during the school year.

We would also like to remind you that a small stud ear ring is the only acceptable form of ear ring that can be worn. If children attend in other ear rings we will ask them to remove them and if they cannot we may have to ask parents/carers to come to school to remove them.

GOODBYE

Miss Gardiner is moving on to pastures new in September after nearly 8 years working as an LSA in our school.

Miss Dennis also leaves her role as MDSA.

Mr Bradley from the Ipswich Town Foundation will continue to work for Ipswich Town but in other schools next year. We thank him for his hard work in the development of PE and Sport teaching our PE curriculum and providing a wide range of sporting opportunities.

Thank you, all, for your hard work and dedication.

Finally we say goodbye to Mrs Mizon who works for Caterlink and has been the cook at Burton End for an astonishing 38 years! We wish her well in her retirement.

HELLO



We are very excited to welcome three new members of our LSA team in September. Mr Elsden, Mrs Martin and Mrs Radford will be working in the school.

We are also delighted to welcome Mr Newman to our team. He will be taking on a new role of PE & Sport Instructor for the first time this role is someone who works full time for Burton End. Mr Newman used to attend Burton End and is very excited to get started.

We are sure the children will make all of our new staff feel very welcome in September.



BOTANICAL GARDENS

On Tuesday 9th July, Year 2 visited the Botanical Gardens in Cambridge to complement their science unit on plants.













LACKFORD LAKES

As part of their topic on habitats and all living things, year 5 visited Lackford Lakes, taking part in bird watching, pond dipping and habitat hunting activities.



BOYDELLS - YEAR 3

Year 3 immersed themselves in farming and animal life by visiting Boydells' farm where they got to see up close how a working farm works.











YEAR 6

A great time at High Altitude for the Year 6's final trip at Burton End. Fantastic behaviour shown by the children and lots of impressive skills on the trampolines! Well done Year 6, you have made us proud.







DISCO

A great time was had by all at the leaver's disco - complete with red carpet arrival; even the staff got involved with the Macarena!







YEAR 6 HAS TALENT

Some of our wonderful Year 6 pupils showcased their individual skills and talents at the show: dances, gymnastics, majorette and singing to name but a few. While not everyone performed, we know that each and every one of our Year 6 children are leaving us with a talent as unique as them. Well done to them all, particularly those who were brave enough to perform.







OUR MAKATON SIGNS OF THE WEEK













ATTENDANCE UPDATE

You may be aware that there is new attendance guidance for schools which becomes statutory on 19th August 2024. We value excellent attendance and are keen to continue to work in partnership with you next year. We want to make sure children at Burton End make an excellent start to the new year and attend every day.

There are changes to fixed penalty notices, attendance contracts and register coding.

At the start of next year, we will share with you our trust attendance policy, along with a helpful 2-page guide for Burton End. In the meantime, click on this text for the link to the <u>DFE's guide for parents</u>.

The final page of our newsletter also shows Suffolk's approach to Penalty Notice Fines.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB AND COLLECTING CHILDREN

It is important that we make you aware of some information regarding our popular After School Club. The club is often fully booked and means that if children arrive and are not booked on we cannot keep to the required adult:child ratios. If you have not booked your child into our After School Club and you are expecting them to attend we will give you a call to inform you that you need to collect your child as there is no reserved place for them.

If you are late to pick up your child from school then we will be adding a charge to your Arbor Parent Portal account in line with the charging structure we use for After School Club there will also be a £5 administration charge to cover the cost of us having to update our registers. It is not acceptable to expect school staff to regularly supervise children at the end of the school day. We of course are sympathetic from time to time there may well be emergencies that delay parents/carers.

Thank you for your understanding.

IPADS AND &ILEARN

The children in our current Year 3,4 and 5 classes will be bringing their iPads home for the holidays with them today. The children will be able to access these during the school holidays and we encourage you to see this as a family device too.

We are very mindful about the amount of time children have access to screens and understand this needs to be carefully considered. For this reason the iPads will only be accessible between 10am and 2pm.

Our usual systems for monitoring content accessed on the devices will be in place throughout the summer but please do discuss with your children the appropriate use of devices and also monitor their usage.

We will begin rolling out iPads to our new Year 3 children in September initially these will be for use in school before being sent home later on.

SEPTEMBER 2024			
Tuesday 3rd September	8.35am	Back to school: Start of the Autumn Term	Year 1 - Year 6

Penalty Notice Fines for School Attendance are changing from 19th August 2024

With the introduction of the new National Framework for Penalty Notices issued by DfE, the following changes will come into force for School Penalty Notice Fines issued after 19th August 2024.

National Threshold

There will be a single consistent national threshold for when a penalty notice must be considered by all schools in England of 10 sessions (usually equivalent to 5 school days) of unauthorised absence within a rolling 10 school week period.

These sessions do not have to be consecutive and can be made up of a combination of any type of unauthorised absence.

The 10-school week period can span different terms or school years.

Please note: The DfE does not consider a need or desire for a holiday or other absence for the purpose of leisure and recreation to be an exceptional circumstance.

First Offence

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for unauthorised absence the amount will be:

£160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days.

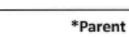
Reduced to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.



Second Offence (within 3 years)

The Second time a Penalty Notice is issued for unauthorised absence the amount will be:

£160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days.



Section 576 of the Education Act 1996 defines "parent" as:

Per Parent*, Per Child

Penalty Notice Fines are issued to each parent*,

for each child that was absent.

For example: 3 siblings absent for term time leave, would result in each parent receiving 3

separate fines.

- All natural (biological) parents, whether they are married or not.
- Any person who, although not a natural parent, has parental responsibility for a child or young person.
- Any person who, although not a natural parent, has care of a child or young person.



Third Offence and Any Further Offences (within 3 years)

The third time an offence is committed a Penalty Notice will not be issued and the case could be presented straight to the Magistrate's Court. Prosecution can result in Criminal records and fines of up to £2,500

Cases found guilty in Magistrates' Court may show on the parent's future DBS certificate due to 'failure to safeguard a child's education'.