



Newsletter 22nd September

Dear all,

In our assemblies this term, we will be looking at five different values from our PSHE curriculum. These are known as SCARF values and are introduced with stories involving Harold the Giraffe. This week we talked about Safety- the first value. We thought about ways we promote keeping safe in school, and the responsibility we all have to keep ourselves and others safe. If you would like to know more about these values please follow this link: <https://www.coramlifeeducation.org.uk/family-scarf> There are lots of activities you can use at home too!

A HUGE "Thank You!" to Mrs Field, Mrs Langrell and Mrs Andrews for taking our Y5/6 children to the PGL centre at Osmington Bay for a week of adventurous activities! Despite some VERY heavy rain during the week, the children all had a fantastic time trying new activities and challenging themselves in different ways. We know there will be lots of funny stories to hear over the next few weeks! There were some fabulous photos posted online too- check out our X (previously known as Twitter) account @BurghclerePri

Have a great week!

Beulah

Mrs Beulah Letchford, Headteacher

Celebration Assembly

Congratulations to the following children who received a **Golden Rules** certificate in our Celebration assembly this week: Scarlett O, Maci, Clara, Enid.

Congratulations to the following children who received a **School Values** certificate in our Celebration assembly this week: Florence, Austin, Cole, Nelly, Dylan J, Barney.

Running Club

Our Running Club enjoyed their first 'Muddy Mile' on Thursday in the second of our running club sessions! If your KS2 child would like to join us they just need to bring a pair of running trainers (and a plastic bag to put them in once they become muddy!), suitable shorts or tracksuit trousers- and plenty of enthusiasm! Parents are welcome to come along and get involved too!



Playground Equipment

Just a reminder that we ask children not to use the playground equipment (including the boulder or toys etc) before and after school as there isn't a member of staff on duty at this time. Thanks for your support with this.

We would like to say a **BIG** Thank You to Mr Barraclough for spending his Saturday morning cleaning the boulder- it looks brilliant! Thank you!

Uniform

For PE a blue t-shirt with the school logo should be worn with navy shorts. Black under armour can be worn under this in colder weather, or a navy blue tracksuit. We are currently sourcing a school PE top for colder weather but haven't yet found one we think will be appropriate. All children should wear plimsolls or trainers for outdoor PE- not their school shoes, as these don't have the grip and support that is needed.

Young Voices

Thank you to everyone in Robin and Falcon who returned their response slip. We have now confirmed our choir number with the organisers and will be sending out details of how tickets and t-shirts can be purchased, as well as a link to the song and dance moves for children to learn, to the parents of those children attending.

Staffing

We are **urgently** looking for **a clerk to the Governing Body**. This **paid** role is approx. 114 hours over the course of the year. It involves attending Governing Body meetings, taking minutes, putting together meeting agendas and papers, and supporting the work of the Governors. Please see the email sent by Miss Pummell on Thursday for the job advert. If you, or someone you know, might be interested in this position, please talk to Mrs Letchford.

We are looking for a **Community Governor** to join our Governing Body. This role is not a Parent Governor, so parents cannot apply, however there be someone in our local community you know who would be keen to get involved. Please pass them our details.

Open Morning

We are holding our annual Open Morning for prospective parents on Wednesday 4th October at 9:30am. If you have a child starting school in September 2024 and would like to take a look around we would love to see you. Please pass our flyer for this event, sent with this newsletter, to anyone you know who is looking for a place for their child. We would love to show them around our amazing school!

Chicken Run!

Unfortunately our chickens need a new home for them to run around in as their current one is broken. Does anyone have one they no longer use and would be pleased to donate?

Or does anyone have the skills and materials required to make a brand new one? If so, we'd love to hear from you!

Parent Liaison Group

The PLG needs members! This is an opportunity for parents to have their say but we really need representatives from each of our four classes to represent the views of parents. Please talk to Mrs Letchford if you would like to be involved.

Hedge Cutting

Our boundary hedges around the field need cutting back. Does anyone in our community have a tractor and hedge cutter, and the time, to come in and do this for us? It would save us a considerable amount of money- and we would regain much of our field for the children to use. If so, we would love to hear from you!

FOBS

FOBS AGM - Thursday 28th September at 6pm - 7pm in the School Hall.

We are very excited to tell you that we have a new batch of volunteers!! We will be officially handing over the roles of Chair & Treasurer at the AGM next Thursday. So, if you wanted to come along, meet the new team and have a drink with other parents, plus find out how you can be involved (but not have an 'official' role, we know you were all hiding 😊) then we'd love to see you.



Second Hand Uniform Shop

We are really pleased to announce that Gaby Heath will be taking over the Second Hand Uniform, this is a message from her;

*Hi everyone! I'm Gaby (Austin in Year 2's mum). I have taken over the FOBS second hand uniform shop. Currently I have several branded school jumpers in various sizes, which are £2 each. I'm also looking for donations of jumpers, ties and PE t-shirts. If you have anything you'd like to donate or want to purchase, please find me in the playground or give me a shout on 07768222288.
Many thanks!*

A Message from the Chair of Governors

*Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,
Following on from Lucy Oldham's (outgoing Chair of Governors) message last July, I am delighted to share that I have been appointed to the seat by my fellow governors at the recent Full Governing Body meeting. I would like to thank Lucy personally, and on behalf of all the governors for the time, work and effort that she has enthusiastically put into the role over the last 4 years. For those of you who don't know me, I am (there is a picture below to put a name to the face) a four-year resident of Burghclere, have two*

children that currently attend the school (Year 1 and Year 3) and have been acting as a parent governor for the last eighteen months. I am a strong believer in local schools being a key pillar within the community: a thriving local school enables a thriving local community, and the relationships between staff, parents, carers and pupils are at the heart of this. Myself and the other governors will continue to work with Beulah to drive the school forward and make sure that we deliver a happy, collaborative and safe environment where all children are able to develop their educational and personal interests. I believe we have a fantastic local village school which has a history of delivering significantly above average results for our Year 6 leavers and well-rounded children who have the tools to continue to develop in the next step of their educational journey. Of course we have areas that we can improve and the governing body will be supporting and holding to account the school to make the improvements that our latest Ofsted report suggested. Lastly, I look forward to meeting you throughout the school year. I can be often found in the playground at drop off or collection, alternatively please reach out to the school office and they can point you in my direction.



Dates for the Diary

Each newsletter we will publish the dates of events happening during the term. Please be aware these may change and therefore it is important to check them each week. We will highlight changes in red when they first appear. Not every event is relevant to every parent. Look out for further information or letters with more detailed information for the events relevant to you.

Monday 25 th September	NWN 'First Class' photo - Year R
Tuesday 26 th September	KS2 Art Club starts
Thursday 28 th September	9.00am Parent Liaison Group Meeting 6.00pm FOBs AGM - school hall
Monday 2 nd October	Y6 Height & Weight Measuring Programme
Tuesday 3 rd October	Individual Photographs of children-wear school uniform
Wednesday 4 th October	Open Morning for 2024 YR prospective parents 3.15pm Boys Football v St. Martins - selected children only
Monday 9 th October	Nasal Flu Vaccinations all year groups 3.15pm Footgolf @ Park House - selected children only
Thursday 12 th October	Harvest Festival @ 10.30am - Burghclere Church - parents welcome

Saturday 14 th October	KS1 football tournament- selected children only
Monday 16 th October	3.10pm Share & Celebrate
Tuesday 17 th October	Parents Evening
Thursday 19 th October	Harvest Festival TBC Parents Evening
Friday 20 th October	End of Term
Monday 30 th October	INSET Day
Tuesday 31 st October	First Day of Term Y5/6 Tag Rugby games-selected children only
Thursday 2 nd November	Robin class swimming starts
Tuesday 7 th November	Y5/6 Tag Rugby games-selected children only
Monday 13 th November	Anti-Bullying Week
Tuesday 14th November	3.15pm Netball v St. Martins - selected children only
Friday 17 th November	Children in Need
Thursday 23 rd November	9.00am Parent Liaison Group Meeting Y1/2 trip to Arlington Arts
Monday 4th December	Secret Shopping donations in
Thursday 7 th December	YR & KS1 Nativity - 2pm & 6pm
Friday 8th December	Secret Shopping!
Monday 11 th December	Share & Celebrate
Tuesday 12 th December	Panto @ The Watermill - whole school
Thursday 14th December	6.00pm KS2 Carol Service @ Burghclere Church
Friday 15 th December	End of Term
Tuesday 2 nd January	INSET Day
Wednesday 3 rd January	First Day of Spring Term
Monday 15 th January	Young Voices - Robin & Falcon Class
Friday 9 th February	End of Term
Monday 19 th February	First Day of Term
Thursday 28 th March	End of Term
Monday 15 th April	INSET Day
Tuesday 16 th April	First Day of Summer Term
Friday 24 th May	End of Term
Monday 3 rd June	First Day of Term
Tuesday 23 rd July	End of Term