

Autumn Term
Friday 7th
September 2018



BURNSALL VA PRIMARY SCHOOL

Friday News

A Note from Mrs. Boxall & Mr. Norris

We hope you all had a very good summer and that your children were eager to return to school. We welcome to the Federation and our individual schools, all those children who have started in Reception this term and to all those children and families who have joined us for this academic year. Information about the curriculum and themes children will be studying will be shared with you. There is always a tremendous amount of information we need to share with you at the beginning of an academic year, as well as a wealth of forms which have to be completed. We appreciate your time and support with this. Please do not hesitate to contact staff if there are any questions or information you still require.

Staff are working really hard to create stimulating classroom environments in which the children will learn and feel happy and safe. Thank you to Mrs Briggs at Kettlewell, who has spent a lot of time and energy securing a grant, to develop a super library area in the school - it is wonderful! Some parents may be aware that both members of staff at Woosh club have resigned to go onto pastures new. We would like to thank Carly and Jenny for all of their hard work and dedication in running the club. We have been working really hard to replace these members of staff. Holly Wilson, who is TA at Kettlewell has agreed to lead the club, which will only be able to run on **Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays**, for the foreseeable future. However, this can only happen, if we can secure a second member of staff (see note below). Thank you to those parents who have registered their children for the club for next week. We will need to inform you initially, on a weekly basis, as to the arrangements for the club. We apologise for the inconvenience that this will cause, but we are trying!

Breakfast Club

Breakfast club - open to Burnsall children from 8 am until the start of the school day. Please contact school if interested. Please don't forget to send your money to pay for Breakfast club. This can be done weekly or half termly. As from September 2017 the cost for each session will be £3.50 to cover costs. Please can you let me know if your child/ren will be attending. Thank you .

News From Class 2

Welcome back! I hope you all had a fantastic summer holiday; the children certainly came back raring to go. We've had a lovely week settling in with the Year 3 children and our new starters to the school, Charlie and Millie. We also have a new member of staff, Mr Bullock, who is working in class 2 as a teaching assistant. This week we have started off our geography topic work. We have been busy looking at countries in Europe, writing postcards and drawing famous landmarks from different cities. I have sent home the children's new reading records and homework will start from next week. Don't forget PE is now on Tuesday mornings, the children will need both their swimming and PE kits with them for their first session next week.

News From Class 1

What a fantastic first week we have had in Class One! It has been lovely to welcome our new reception children and their families into the school and all of the older children have worked hard to make sure that everyone settled in well. Over the summer Mrs Sandoe and I spent time re-organising the classroom so the children have all been getting to grips with where everything is this week. We have begun to look at shape with all the children going on a shape hunt and using i-pads to photograph what they found. The Year 2 children used ICT skills to create pic collages recording the shapes around school. In Literacy the children have been looking at Jack and the Beanstalk. The reception children had great fun using the dressing up things to re-tell the story whilst Year 1 and 2 did some story writing. Show and Tell will be on a Friday, so if your child wants to bring one item for this they are more than welcome.

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Diary Dates

08.09.18—Selection Test for Ermysteds

11.09.18—KS2 PE @ UWS

14.09.18—School Photo—2pm

15.09.18—Selection Test for Ermysteds

18.09.18—Cross Country @ UWS Yr. 3-6

21.09.18—Yr. 6 Endangered Species Day @ UWS

Dinner Money/PE—Class 2 only—(04.09.18-26.10.18)

Just to remind you that school meals are now £2.50/day.

Dinner Money £85.00

PE—£21.00

Please can these be sent in two separate payments. Thank you

Cheques made payable to 'Burnsall Primary School'

Class 1—PE Kit

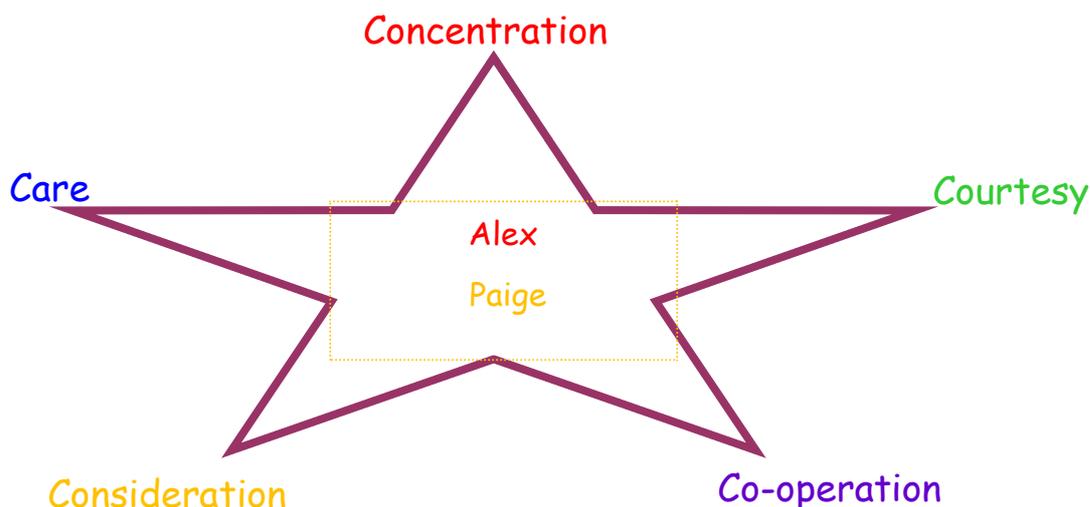
Mrs McGee has asked that please can we make sure that all PE kit is named—as you can appreciate that getting children changed for PE with no names on clothes is quite a task!! Thank you

Class 2 PE @ UWS

Class 2 PE will be on a Tuesday morning starting on Tuesday 11th September. Please can you make sure you send your child with their PE/swimming kit and remember to put your child's name on their towel. Thank you

Information for parents

Next week we will be sending out a pack with lots of information in for you, including various forms to complete and return to school. Please can you take time to read this information and return any forms back to school that we require for our records. Attached to this weeks newsletter you will have a term dates, curriculum overview for autumn term and a parental consent for rolling programme—please can this be signed and returned. Thank you .



Absence During Term Time

The government advises schools that there is no entitlement to parents to take their child/ren on holidays during school time. Head teachers would not be expected to class any term time holiday as exceptional. Therefore Head teachers will only be able to grant leave of absence in exceptional circumstances and this will still be at the discretion of the Head teacher. We ask all parents to be mindful that taking a pupil on leave during term time interrupts teaching and learning and will disrupt your child's education progress.

An application form should be submitted for pupil leave of absence. There is more detail on the school website and the application form can be sent electronically via the website. Alternatively a paper copy of the application form is available from the school office.

A Few Reminders

As it is the start of a new term please can we remind you of a few things that we all need to cooperate with to ensure the smooth running and the very best for our pupils.



PE kits—Don't forget your child will need their PE kit in school (Class 1) and named please.

48 Hours rule—At Burnsall we follow the advice given by the NHS and supported by the local authority whereby any child who has experienced sickness or diarrhoea must not return to school until they have been free of symptoms for 48 hours, regardless of how well your child is feeling or if it was a one off incident. For the health of others we ask that this guidance is followed. Thank you

9am—start of the school day—please make sure your child is in school for that time. Thank you

Medical appointments—if at all possible if these can be made outside of the school day. We appreciate that this is not always possible but if you could bear this mind. Thank you

Home time Arrangements—in the interests of safeguarding your children, please could we ask that, if someone else other than yourselves is picking your child/ren from school at the end of the day, you let the school office know. If we haven't had permission from you and the person is not known to us, we will contact you to check this arrangement. Similarly if your child travels on the bus but does not require it because they are being picked up, please let us know. When dropping off and collecting your child from school, please can you come into the play ground to avoid congestion on the pavement at the gate and for health and safety reasons with the arrival and departure of buses. Thank you

