

## Bure Park Primary School Newsletter

6<sup>th</sup> October 2023

### School Value for the Term: Teamwork

I cannot believe we are already in October! This year is whizzing past, in the blink of an eye!

On Monday we had an open evening for our new intake for September 2024, it was lovely to have lots of families attend this session. I hope they found the session informative. We have two further open evenings before Christmas, 4pm on 6<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> November. Please contact the school office to book into these evenings.

Also, on Monday the Buddies (PTA) held their AGM. It was a great opportunity to reflect on last year's successes, elect a committee and think about fundraising in the future. Thank you to the outgoing Buddies committee for all your hard work. There is more information about this meeting later on in the newsletter.

I was very fortunate to accompany Year 2 on a nature walk on Thursday. They enjoyed looking at the plants, mini beast and micro habitats. They were a pleasure to take out of school, their enthusiasm and joy of learning was infectious.

Next week Year 6 are going to Woodlands for their residential. We hope they have a wonderful experience, trying new things and developing their independency skills. I look forward to hearing about all their adventures when they return.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Best Wishes

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### **Focus on Year 2**

On Thursday, Year 2 had an adventure around the Nature Reserve searching for mini beasts in different habitats. We all had a lovely time using magnifying glasses to see what we could find. We managed to spot: birds, worms, bees and lots of different plants. The children had a lovely time and were so well behaved.

Miss Castle and Mrs Howells



### Attendance Figures (%) W/C 2<sup>nd</sup> October

<u>Class 1</u>	<u>92.40</u>
<u>Class 2</u>	<u>92.59</u>
<u>Class 3</u>	<u>93.70</u>
<u>Class 4</u>	<u>94.98</u>
<u>Class 5</u>	<u>97.50</u>
<u>Class 6</u>	<u>98.12</u>
<u>Class 7</u>	<u>95.15</u>
<u>Class 8</u>	<u>96.18</u>
<u>Class 10</u>	<u>96.06</u>
<u>Class 11</u>	<u>95.48</u>
<u>Class 12</u>	<u>97.13</u>
<u>Class Nursery</u>	<u>97.11</u>
<u>Class Rec A</u>	<u>96.36</u>
<u>Class Rec B</u>	<u>99.32</u>
<b><u>Totals</u></b>	<b><u>95.98</u></b>

As a reminder Registration times are as below:

#### Main School

- 8:35am – doors open
- 8:40am – learning Starts
- 3:15pm – learning ends and doors open
- 3:55pm – teacher led after school clubs end

#### Reception

- 8:40am – doors open
- 8:45am – learning starts
- 3:05pm – Learning ends and doors open

#### Nursery

- 8:50am – doors open
- 9am – learning starts
- 12:15pm – AM nursery ends
- 3pm – PM nursery ends



## **Buddies News**

Buddies held our AGM on Monday. We would like to thank the parents and carers who came along to support us. It was a fabulous opportunity to reflect on the successes of the past school year and begin to draw up plans for the year ahead. Last year we raised a grand total of **£8,388.60** and hope this year can be just as successful.

We are delighted to announce the new Buddies Committee which was voted for on Monday, as follows:

Chair: Lucie Shepherd

Vice Chair: Jeanne Sharp

Secretary: Emma Fyson

Treasurer: Mandy Arthur

Vice Treasurer: Chloe Hobbs

Communications Officer: Ellie Coleman

Fundraising and Grants Officer: Nisha Charles

Events Co-Ordinator: Jez Sharp and Fiona Wastie

Second Hand Uniform Co-Ordinator: Jenni Whayman.

Ordinary Members: Bernie Rowell, Charlie Wastie, Charlotte Copcutt, Jess Jones and Sophie Denton

This year we are looking to begin a Register of Volunteers who would be happy to be called upon to help with fundraising events where available. If you would like to join the Register, please email [bureparkpta@gmail.com](mailto:bureparkpta@gmail.com) with your name, phone number and email address or contact any member of the committee.

Thank you, The Buddies Team

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## **Student Council**

The student council are organising a kindness week across school for the last week of this half-term. We will be being kind to ourselves, kind to others and kind to our community. If you can, please bring in a donation for the Bicester Foodbank on Wednesday the 18<sup>th</sup> of October as part of our kindness week, so that we can give to our community.

Thank you for your support!

The Student Council



## **Footsteps**

As Autumn progresses, the mornings and evenings are getting darker, meaning children walking to and from school need to be even more aware of the potential dangers for pedestrians and the importance of wearing bright clothing, making it easier for other road users to see them.

The good news for schools and families is that Oxfordshire County Council have a child pedestrian Road Safety scheme called **Footsteps**, aimed at parents and carers.

The **Footsteps** programme is simple for parents to use as it can be carried out in normal everyday situations such as walking to school or to the local shops. Rather than *telling* children what to do, parents are encouraged to *ask* lots of open questions to make the children think about the decisions they are making. Making these decisions safely while in the company of a supporting adult will mean they will be better prepared for dealing with roads and traffic once they begin going out on their own.

You can find more information about the Footsteps programme by using the following link:  
<https://www.365alive.co.uk/cms/content/walking-children>

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## **Weekly Awards**

### **Hot Chocolate with the Head**

Children who have displayed exemplary attitudes to learning and behaviour are invited to have a hot chocolate with Head on a Friday. This week's attendees were:

Ollie, Eilidh, Amelia-Grace, Matilda, Milosh, Barney, Tobi, Rosie, Isla, Tilly-Rose, Mollie-Mae, Iris, Cammy.

Well Done to all!

### **Reading**

Children who have read three times a week are entered into a reading raffle, where they can choose a book from the vending machine.

This week's winners were: Archie, Sam, Eren and Yvan Keep Reading!

### **Times Table Rock Stars**

Well done to the following children who have played the most minutes on Times Table Rock Stars

**Year 3:** Diya, Yvan, Victoria

**Year 4:** Dorian, Eddie, Mia

**Year 5/6:** Cammy, Zara, Bethan



### Dates for the Diary

- 9<sup>th</sup> October – 13<sup>th</sup> October Y6 Residential to Woodlands.
- 11<sup>th</sup> October - Sharing Assembly 2.30pm Classes 1 and 2 sharing.
- 12<sup>th</sup> October –
  - Bags2School Collection
  - Year 5 Away football match at Tackley
- W/C 16<sup>th</sup> October – Kindness Week
- 18<sup>th</sup> October –
  - Sharing Assembly 2.30pm Classes 6 and 12 sharing.
  - School Photos – Siblings and Individuals
  - Kindness Week – Food bank donations
- 19<sup>th</sup> October - Tag Rugby Competition Year 3 and 4

### **23<sup>rd</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> October – Half Term**

- 30<sup>th</sup> October – INSET day
- 1<sup>st</sup> November – Flu Spray for children in YR-Y6
- 2<sup>nd</sup> November – Angela Kecojevic, Children’s author in school.
- 6<sup>th</sup> November – 4pm Nursery/Reception Open day for September 2024
- 8<sup>th</sup> November –
  - 2.30pm Class 7 and 10 sharing
  - Parent Consultations
- 9<sup>th</sup> November –
  - Cinema Visit Y4-6 and Y5/6 Girls Football Competition.
  - Parent Consultations
  - Year 5/6 Girls football Competition
- 15<sup>th</sup> November – 2.30pm Class 1 and 2 sharing
- 17<sup>th</sup> November – Children in Need
- 22<sup>nd</sup> November – 2.30pm classes 5,8,11 sharing
- 23<sup>rd</sup> November –
  - Year 4 Trip TBC
  - KS1 Multi-skills Competition
- 27<sup>th</sup> November –
  - Year 4 Trip TBC
  - 4pm Reception Open Day for September 2024
- 29<sup>th</sup> November – 2.30pm classes 6 and 12 sharing







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**If you have any questions, please contact either Katie Holmes or Ernella Meade.**

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— I'm very impressed by the thoughtful way each session is run. It is great to know that Ethan is not just being 'entertained' for the hour but proactively being taught new life skills. Kate Whyley



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