

Bure Park Primary School Newsletter

22nd March 2024

School Value for the Term: Kindness

We have had a fantastic week this week, with an amazing Year 3 and 4 production of Wind in the Willows. The singing, dancing and acting was brilliant and the children's confidence and enthusiasm for performing shone through. I will never listen to Kung Fu Fighting again without remembering this performance!

We have also had football and tag rugby tournaments, Cross Country and Hockey Finals and Football matches this week! Miss Worsfold does an amazing job of leading PE, ensuring that children get this wide range of opportunities. Many thanks to all staff who accompanied the children to these events.

Thank you to all who attended the Rock Steady concert yesterday – I thought the children did extremely well and the sound was fantastic. Well done to all involved. If you want your child to join Rock Steady – please see information at the end of the newsletter.

It is really important that our children look smart and it has been noted that some non-uniform clothing is appearing, particularly on PE days. Non-school branded (e.g. Nike) sweatshirts etc should not be worn. On PE days children need to wear:

- Navy blue sports shorts
- Blue school embroidered t shirt
- Navy jogging bottoms and sweatshirt (weather dependent)
- Practical and appropriate footwear

If you need any support with this, please contact us.

Next week, Year 4 go on residential from Monday to Wednesday and we have our Easter parade on Thursday. Children in EYFS are invited to make an Easter hat and children in Year 1 -6 are invited to decorate and wear a T Shirt. More information appears later in the newsletter.

This will be the last newsletter of this term and I have included dates for next term at the end of the newsletter. School closes next Thursday at 2pm. I hope you and your families have a lovely Easter and I look forward to seeing you all on 15th April

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Best Wishes

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Makaton Sign of the Week

Here is the Makaton sign of the week is 'Recycling,' and here is the link to the sign, so you can communicate with all members of our community:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HcT3IFqZxTw>

You might like to have a conversation about the benefits of recycling at home too!



Sign of the Week

18th - 24th March 2024

This week's sign is '**Recycling**'!

Join in with our Sign of the Week. Make and share your own video using the hashtag #WeTalkMakaton.



Recycling



Fists circle backwards around each other

Recycling
(To Change/ To Alter/ To Become)

We have provided you with these signs and/ or symbols free of charge. With your help The Makaton Charity can help more people communicate, please donate online at makaton.org/donate

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Easter Parade

The Easter Parade will take place on the last day of term, 28th March. We would like the children in EYFS (Nursery and Reception) to create an Easter hat and Children from Y1 to Y6 an Easter T-shirt. Prizes, donated by Buddies, will be given for the best T-shirt or hat in each class.

We will parade these on the playground at:

- 11am – Nursery
- 1.20pm – Year R to Year 2
- 1.40pm – Year 3 to Year 6

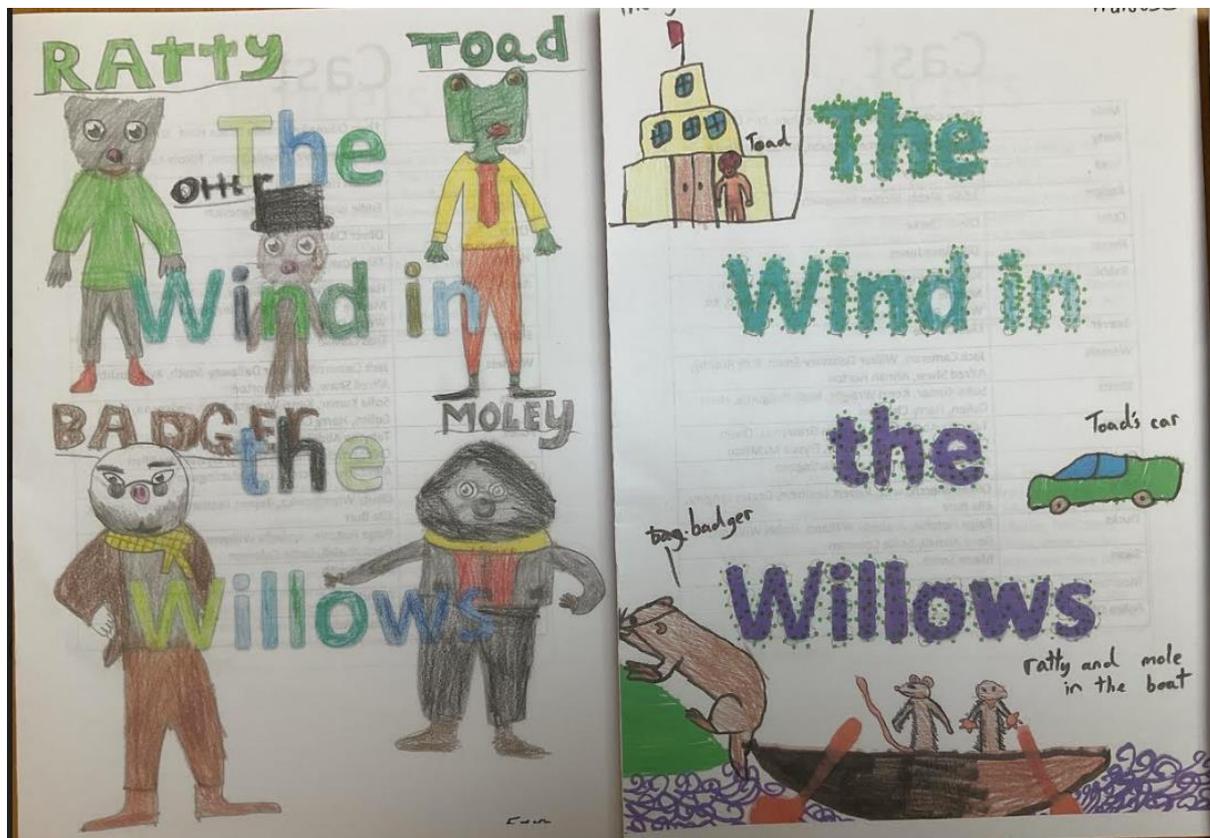
This is weather dependent and you are most welcome to come in and watch.

School will close at 2pm on this day.

Year 3 and 4 Production – Wind in the Willows

Year 3 and 4 delighted and wowed audiences with their fabulous performances of "The Wind in the Willows". Well done to all the children for learning all the lines, songs and signs for their performances. "It was amazing, I absolutely loved it." Miss Pinnock. "I liked performing in front of parents." Noah Class 7. "The children worked incredibly hard and should feel proud of their performances."

Mrs Colquhoun.



Buddies News

We still have pitches available for the car boot sale. It will take place on the school field on Saturday, 27th April, from 12pm to 3pm.

Cars / pitches are £10 each - please email bureparkpta@gmail.com to book yours now.

We're also selling raffle tickets before and after school every day until next Wednesday, £1 a strip for a chance of winning one of our beautiful Easter hampers.

Thank you for your support!

Many thanks

Buddies
Bure Park Primary PTA

Sports News

Year 3 and 4 Girls Football Tournament

On Thursday, some of our Year 3 and 4 girls represented Bure Park at a Bicester schools 5-a-side football tournament. We saw some fantastic teamwork and determination and, more importantly, lots of goals! They were a credit to themselves and it was great to see lots of smiles.

Well done girls.

Miss Worsfold



Hockey - Oxfordshire School Games Finals

On Wednesday, we took the hockey team to the Oxfordshire School Games Finals which was held at Radley College in Abingdon. The children earned their way to these finals by winning both the Cluster Schools Competition and the North Oxfordshire Schools Finals earlier this month.

There were nine teams in the County finals from all over Oxfordshire, the teams were placed into 2 pools. Bure Park lost the first game narrowly by 1 goal to 0, lost their second game 4-0 (to the team that went on to win the whole competition) and won their final game convincingly 5-0.

They then went into the quarter finals, again just missing out on going further in the competition by a 1-0 defeat.

Despite not gaining the success the team had hoped for, everybody once again did the school and themselves proud by displaying fantastic sportsmanship and determination. All children benefited from the experience of participating at a highly competitive level. Well done to each and every player: Captain Gemma, Ella, Bella, Jaxon, Jack, Sam, Blake, Isak and Archie (who had to be our chief supporter during the finals due to injury but was instrumental in helping the team to get there!)

Mrs Hall

Church Visit

This week, groups of children have visited Emmanuel Church. This is always such a calm and thoughtful session. This year we had opportunities to think and reflect on things that make us happy and want to celebrate, our hopes and dreams and friendships and relationships that are important to us - as well as a little bit of colouring, scratch art and play dough modelling! All the groups were very respectful of the quiet and peaceful atmosphere. We would like to thank Lesley and all of the volunteers who worked hard to resource and run the sessions.

Mrs Surman

RE Lead



Comic Relief

Many thanks to all who donated last week – we raised £313.

We also had a funniest joke competition run by the School Council. Mrs Colquhoun was the judge.

The winner was Isabella in Year 5:

What did the triangle say to the circle?

You're pointless!



Year 6 leavers 2024 – Parent run event

Calling Year 6 Parents!

For those who would like to help be part of organising the current year 6 leavers party to be held at Bure Park School on Saturday 20th July 2024.

We will be holding a meeting at the Bure Farm Pub on Monday 15 April 24 at 1930.

If you can't make it and have a fabulous idea please catch me at school or drop me a message.

Look forward to seeing you.

Charlie (Finn's mum Class 12)



Attendance Figures (%) Monday 18th March to Friday 22nd March

Class 1	93.33
Class 2	95.19
Class 3	96.25
Class 4	96.25
Class 5	96.36
Class 6	95.48
Class 7	93.24
Class 8	96.18
Class 10	93.33
Class 11	95.33
Class 12	97.94
Nursery	88.37
Rec A	96.54
Rec B	95.33
Totals	95.00

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

Can we ask that you wait with your child in the mornings before the doors open, this is to ensure their safety – many thanks for your co-operation on this.



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:

- **Reception:** George and Ollie
- **Year 1:** Lucas and Anais
- **Year 2:** Elias and Pragati
- **Year 3:** Arni and Jenson
- **Year 4:** Macie and Thomas
- **Year 5/6:** Sophia, Gavios and Finn

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.

- **Reception:** Archie
- **Key Stage 1:** Arya
- **Lower Key Stage 2:** Maddie
- **Upper Key Stage 2:** Bethan

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:** Erin, Georgie, Amelie
- **Year 4:** Eddie, Benji, Lexi
- **Year 5/6:** Cammy, Freya, Nathaniel



Dates for Diary

- 25th – 27th March – Year 4 Residential
- 26th March – Mixed B League v Marsh Gibbon Home
- 26th March – Nursery Trip to Warriner Farm
- 27th March – Year 5/6 VE Celebration Day
- 28th March – Easter Parade and Finish for Easter Holidays
11am – Nursery; 1.20pm – Reception, Y1, Y2; 1.40pm Y3 – 6
Finish school at 2pm.
- 15th April – Back to School
- 17th April – Year 2 trip to Selly Oak Manor
- 26th April – Non-Uniform day for donations for refreshments for the Buddies car boot sale
- 27th April – Buddies Car Boot Sale
- 1st May – Sharing Assembly 2.30pm – Classes 3,4, Informal and Class photos
- 2nd May – School Photos
- 6th May – Bank Holiday
- 8th May - Sharing Assembly 2.30pm – Classes 5,6,7,10
- 8th May – Reception Rainforest Explorer Day
- 13th May – Y6 SATS Week
- 15th May - Sharing Assembly 2.30pm – Classes 1, 2, RA
- 22nd May - Sharing Assembly 2.30pm – Classes 8,11,12
- 24th May – 3.15pm Half Term
- 3rd June – INSET
- 4th June – Back to School
- 18th June – Sports Day Y1-6
- 25th June – Reserve Sports Day Y1-6
- 2nd July – Sports Day YN and YR
- 17th July - Y5/6 Production at 1.45pm
- 18th July – Y5/6 Production at 5pm
- 23rd July – Y6 Leavers Assembly 9.30am
- 24th July – **Finish for the year at 2pm**

Sharing Assemblies – Summer Term 2024

2.30pm – School Hall

Date	KS1 and KS2 Classes	Classes Sharing
1 st May	EYFS and KS1	3,4, RB
8 th May	KS2	5,6,7, 10
15 th May	EYFS and KS1	1,2, RA
22 nd May	KS2	8, 11,12
HALF TERM		
5 th June	EYFS and KS1	3,4, RB
12 th June	KS2	5,6,7, 10
19 th June	EYFS and KS1	1,2, RA
26 th June	KS2	8,11,12



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This Spring, we invite all students, parents, colleagues and the wider school community to join us for our **Memories Festival** – a final farewell to our existing school buildings.

On **Wednesday 17th April** we will open our doors to students, parents and colleagues (past and present) for a special celebration of Gosford Hill School, before we embark on a new and exciting chapter in our journey. From **4:30pm to 7:30pm** there will be tours, music and refreshments, as well as an opportunity to explore the school archives. We have also arranged for some very special guest speakers – details to be announced soon!

Since opening in September 1932, we recognise that there are generations of former students and former colleagues that have studied or worked here, who will want a last opportunity to visit the school and to share memories.

Whatever your connection to Gosford Hill School, we would be delighted to welcome you. Please **RSVP via our school website** or by calling **01865 374971**. We would be very grateful if you would help us by spreading the word!





Krazy Kids Breakfast and After School Club
Bure Park Primary School, Bicester, OX26 3BP

SPACES AVAILABLE EVERY MORNING AND FRIDAY AFTERNOONS

Breakfast Club

Monday – Friday, Term time only.
7.30am – 8.40am.

Cost: £5.50 per session. (Includes a healthy breakfast.)

After School Club

Monday – Friday, Term Time Only.
3.15pm – 6.00pm

Cost: £14.00 per session. (Includes a light tea.)
Fun indoor and outdoor activities (weather dependent)

To register your child/children

for Krazy Kids you will need to complete a registration form which can be found at the school reception or downloaded from the school website. Complete and return the form to the email address below or school reception and please allow a minimum of 5 working days for the registration to be processed.

All childcare is invoiced in advance and can be paid via ScoPay or Childcare Voucher Schemes. We do not accept Cash or Cheques.

You pay for the sessions regardless of whether your child attends or not. We also require a terms notice for cancellation of your childcare or a reduction in your sessions.

We also try to be as accommodating as possible if you require an emergency session if we have space available.

We are unfortunately unable to offer drop-in care.

For further Information, or if you have any questions, please contact

Jo Blundell at krazykids@bureparkprimary.org



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- You can proudly watch as your child performs in their end of term performance, showing you and their friends just how far they have come, and how far they could go. You can also **follow their musical Journey** in your **Parent Timeline** from your Backstage account.
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- Your child will become either a **Mini Rocker** (Reception to Year 2), **Rock Hero** (Year 3 and Year 4) or a **Rock Icon** (Year 5 and Year 6).

Places are offered on a first come, first served basis. Selecting different instrument options will also give you the best chance of getting a place.

For more details on availability and cost, visit rocksteadymusicschool.com and find your school on the sign up page or call **0330 113 0330**.

Best wishes,
Rachel Hawker | Director of Education



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 ”

Kail

“
 Rocksteady really has put a massive smile on their faces and this has helped with wider engagement when they are back in class.
 ”

Headteacher

“
 My son's confidence has changed so much since being in his band. He now loves singing in front of people and even speaking to people when he used to be so shy.
 ”

Charlie

“
 As a musician myself, I was emotional and proud to see the progress my son has made after only a short amount of time on the drums.
 ”

Melanie

“
 They really feed off the teamwork and the kind and supportive tuition. We have found that the confidence built as musicians translates to confidence throughout the curriculum.
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Headteacher

“
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 ”

Sarah

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Saturday 27th April

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