

# January Newsletter

Happy New Year 2012 from all the staff and children at Burgh School!

Many thanks to all the parents and friends of the school who came along to support all the various events over the festive period, your involvement was much appreciated.

We were pleased to welcome celebrated children's poet, Brian Moses, into school again on Monday 9th January. He shared his skills with the whole school and worked with Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 pupils to develop their poetic writing skills.

On Tuesday 24th January at 9.30am, we will be holding a special service in St Peter & St Paul Church celebrating the 200th Anniversary of Church Schools in Lincolnshire with a candle pilgrimage. The candle is being passed around all the Diocese of Lincoln schools as part of this event. Please come along and join us for the service.

Parents Evenings are scheduled for Term 4, but as always, if you need to talk to your child's class teacher please let us know and we will do our best to arrange a mutually convenient time.

This term sees a number of events in preparation for the 2012 Olympic celebrations. We are proud to announce that we have been awarded the status of a "Get Set 2012 School" in recognition of the work we do to promote the values of the Olympic Games and for sports development. We would like to involve parents and members of the community. If you would like to be involved then please contact the school office.

Sarah Smith



## **Admissions Deadline –20th January, 2011**

This is the deadline for applications to be returned to LCC for any children wanting to start in the school's Reception Class this September. If you have not done so already, you should submit your application on-line to Lincolnshire County Council or contact them as soon as possible on 01522 782030.

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### **School Closures**

If it has snowed and you are not sure whether the school will be open or not, listen to Lincs FM (102.2) or Radio Lincolnshire (94.9, 104.7FM & 1368AM)



These radio stations are informed as soon as it is decided to close a school and they broadcast regular updates on which schools are open and which are not. If there is no mention of the school being closed on the radio assume that it is open.

## Home time

Please could you ensure that if you are delayed in collecting your child from school that you contact the office so that a message can be passed on to your child and arrangements can be made which do not disrupt after school clubs and activities. Only children in Year 6 can go home independently with parents' permission, they cannot escort younger children.

### Mobile Phones

If your child has a mobile phone, please could you ensure it does not come into school unless absolutely necessary. Some children who travel by taxi, or Y6 children who walk home on their own, do bring mobile phones into school in case of difficulties arising getting home but **ALL** phones must be handed into the class teacher for safe keeping until the end of the school day.



### Parent Governor Vacancy

Everyone was sent a letter advising parents of the Governor Vacancy before Christmas. Unfortunately, no nominations were received and the vacancy could not be filled. In line with legislation, the vacancy is now being opened up to parents and carers of children of school age (primary or secondary) who used to come to this school. If you or anyone else you know is interested, please contact either Sarah Smith or Lesley Allen immediately, as the school wishes to fill the position as soon as possible.

### Some timely reminders ...

- \* Please name all your child's belongings to avoid possible costly losses in the future!
- \* Your child needs to have a coat in school every day.
- \* Check your child's homework books or book bags for class topic information.
- \* Remember to visit the school's website [www.burghschool.org.uk](http://www.burghschool.org.uk) for up-to-date information including details on clubs, future events, curriculum details, etc. The Y6 Blog site can also be accessed through the link or at <http://burghschool.wordpress.com/>.

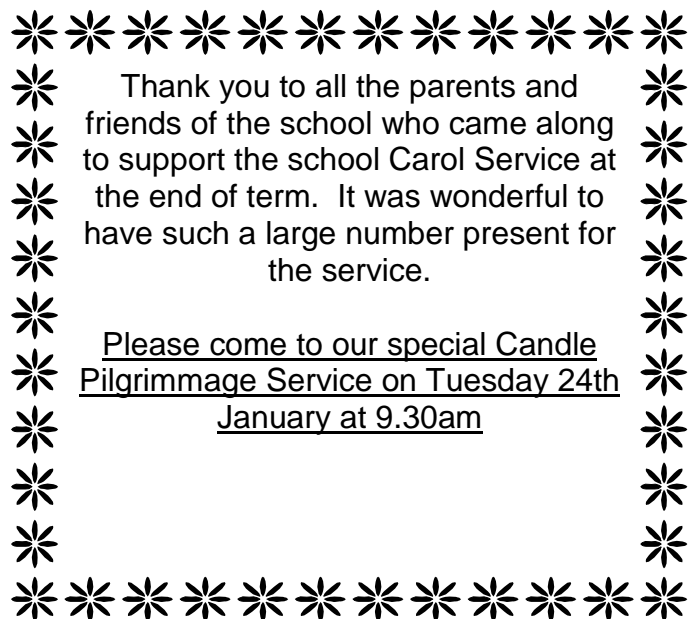
### Hot School Meals

If you pay weekly for hot school meals, your child's order envelope and money, or cheque made payable to Lincolnshire County Council, should be returned to school by Thursday mid-day at the latest.



Office Staff have been instructed that as of w/c Monday 9th January, no orders received after mid-day on a Thursday will be processed, unless due to pupil absence in which case we would ask that when you phone the office up to advise school of their absence you also confirm their hot school meal order. Staff will no longer check with pupils whether they should be on hot meals or packed lunches. If you have not returned the envelope by mid-day on Thursday, it will be assumed that you will be providing a packed lunch.

Should you have any concerns about this arrangement, or if you would like to pay monthly or termly, or if you have any ideas about how we can make the process easier, please speak to either Valerie Pickett or Lesley Allen in the office.



Thank you to all the parents and friends of the school who came along to support the school Carol Service at the end of term. It was wonderful to have such a large number present for the service.

Please come to our special Candle Pilgrimage Service on Tuesday 24th January at 9.30am

### Donations

The school has recently received donations from the Jane Palmer Educational Foundation and Skegness Rotary. This year the money will be used for developing our "School Growing Area" planned for the spring. Watch out for details in future issues.



### Diary Dates

**(Please note these dates are constantly being changed and updated)**

Monday 16th January	Full Governing Body Meeting, 6.30pm
Friday 20th January	Planetarium Visit for Y5 & Y6
Tuesday 24th January	Candle Pilgrimage Service, 9.30am St Peter & St Paul's Church
Thursday 2nd February	Y1 Class Assembly, 8.55am Drugs Awareness Talk for Y5
Friday 3rd February	Y3 Trip to See "Giant Turnip" at Spilsby
Thursday 9th February	Y2 Class Assembly, 8.55am Drugs Awareness Talk for Y5
Friday 10th February	Break up for February Holiday
Monday 20th February	Back to School
Wednesday 22nd February	Ash Wednesday Service, 2.00pm St Peter & St Paul's Church
Monday 27th February	Gibraltar Point Assembly
Wednesday 29th February	Y6 on PGL Trip Y5 Hockey League 4.00pm—5.30pm
Friday 2nd March	Y6 Return From PGL Trip
Saturday 10th March	Y5/Y6 High 5's Tournament, Skegness Academy, 9.00am
Tuesday 20th March	Parents Evening
Thursday 22nd March	Parents Evening
Friday 23rd March	Sports Relief 2012
Tuesday 27th March	Y3 & Y4 Production (afternoon)
Wednesday 28th March	Y3 & Y4 Production (evening)
Friday 30th March	Palm Cross Service 2.00pm St Peter & St Paul's Church Break up for Easter

### Term 3 After-School Clubs

**Please ensure permission slips are returned to enable attendance.**

<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
No Clubs Staff Meeting Night	Story club Fun Y1 & Y2 3.15—4.00pm 15 children maximum (Mrs Gould)	"Gods Zoo" Church Club (YR, Y1 & Y2) 20 children max 3.15—4.00pm (Father Terry & helpers)	Choir (Y1—Y6) 3.15—4.00pm (Miss Smith & Mrs Lammiman)	Film Club for Y1 & Y2 (Begins 27/01/12) 3.15—4.45pm (Miss Smith & Mrs Lammiman)
	Science Club (Begins 24/01/12) Y6 only 3.15—4.00pm (Mrs Horton)	Eco Club Y4 only 3.15—4.00pm (Miss Millman & Mrs Robinson)		

### Work of the Week

The school celebrated "Work of the Week" from the following pupils last month. Remember to come in yourselves and have a look at the display board.

Date w/e	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
25/11/11	Katie Burroughs						Whole Class for Science Investigation
13/01/12	Louis Ellerby		Louie Laverack	Hollie Garrett		William Ranyard Ilona Hunt Rachael Dowling	Joseph Parker Callum Murphy

# Well Done!

Every week 2 children from each class receive awards for "Pupil of the Week" in recognition of both their good work and non-academic excellence. Presentations are usually made in the Whole School Assembly which is held on a Friday morning. Watch this space for the names of award receivers in the weeks to come.



	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
25/11/11	Damian Dennis Dannielle Spray	Grace Stocks Jack Bailey	Harry Crow Louie Laverack	Louis Hislop Scarlett Brockbanks Bethany Winson Oakley Ward	Rebecca Ranyard Charlie Walker	Whole Class for Y5 Assembly	Joe Wattam James Cowell Joseph Dowling Callum Webb

2/12/11  
9/12/11  
16/12/11

**No assemblies due to Art Day, KS1 Production & Carol Service**

6/01/12

**None awarded due to short week**

13/01/12

Elvie Eastwood Luis Simpson	Alfie Fletcher Grace Sheldon	Travis Broughton Scarlett Brock Farrah Marshall	Emily Manning Scarlett Brockbanks Olivia Toynton Euan Kennedy	Tia Shreeves Tegan Olbison	William Ranyard Ilona Hunt Rachael Dowling	Kerys Broughton Thorpe Mills
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## School Terms and Holidays 2011/2012

<b>Term 3</b>	Tuesday Wednesday To Friday	3rd January 2012—Teacher INSET Day 4th January 2012—Pupils back in school.  10th February 2012
<b>February Holidays</b>		
<b>Term 4</b>	Monday To Friday	20th February 2012  30th March 2012
<b>Easter Holidays</b> <b>Bank Holidays—Good Friday 6th April and Easter Monday 9th April</b>		
<b>Term 5</b>	Monday Tuesday To Friday	16th April 2012—Teacher INSET Day 17th April 2012—Pupils back in school.  1st June 2012
<b>June Holidays</b> <b>Bank Holidays—Monday 7th May and Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th June (Queen's Golden Jubilee)</b>		
<b>Term 6</b>	Monday To Thursday	11th June 2012 To 19th July 2012
<b>Summer Holidays</b>		
<b>Term 1</b>	Monday Tuesday Wednesday To Thursday	3rd September 2012—Teacher INSET Day 4th September 2012—Teacher INSET Day 5th September 2012—Pupils back in school.  25th October 2012
<b>November Holidays</b>		