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THANK YOU!

Well the final term of 2017/18 has kept us all very busy here at school. It goes without saying that recent reports in the local media left all those involved with our school with questions and concerns, which we have hopefully addressed. I would like to thank everyone for the support shown towards the school and the responsible way in which the overwhelming majority of our school community has responded.

As predicted on previous newsletters, Ofsted returned at the end of June. You will have read the report by now, along with the Governors' response. From my point of view, the report acknowledges the significant progress in many of the areas we have worked so hard on this year. It also recognises the fact that there have been many changes in key areas across the school this year and praises the school for how this 'turbulence' has been dealt with. There are, of course, areas we would like to make even better. The report states that aspects of our school require improvement and we are under no illusions that we must continue to aim as high as we possibly can. However, just as the report says that 'the new Headteacher is ambitious', I can state with absolute certainty that the entire staff team that we have assembled ready for 2018-2019 shares that ambition in terms of the progress and attainment of the children. We will continue to 'strive for excellence in a caring Christian community'!

Thank you once again for all your support in 2017-2018. Here's to a more straightforward 2018-2019!

Mr. Hurdman

Headteacher

UPCOMING EVENTS

Note: Dates may change and be added to!

Look out for text messages and letters.

Please visit our website too.

Thursday 19th July: 10am Y6 Leavers' Service in Church (Parents welcome)

Friday 20th July: 2pm Leavers' Assembly in School (Y6 parents invited) End of Term 6

Monday 3rd September: INSET day for Staff (no children)

Tuesday 4th September: Term 1 begins for children

Please see our website for more term dates.

FAREWELL...AND HELLO!

18th July 2018

Sadly we are bidding farewell to Mrs. Pitwell, our current Year 3 teacher. Mrs. Pitwell has been a highly valued member of our teaching team since joining us at a time of considerable uncertainty following Miss Smith's departure at the end of 2016/17. Our loss is definitely someone else's gain though, as Mrs. Pitwell is taking up a teaching position at another Lincolnshire school. Thank you and good luck!

We are delighted to officially introduce Mr. Anderson to the staffing team as our permanent Deputy Headteacher from the beginning of September. Mr. Anderson joins us from the north of the county, although like many of our staff, he has strong links to our area. Mr. Anderson has already spent time in school getting to know the children and the staff. I would also again like to personally thank Mrs. Walton for her work as Acting Deputy Headteacher since being appointed to the temporary position in February.

Remember the 6-charity 10-lap challenge back in March? All monies are now in and have been counted. Why has it taken so long? Well, we raised enough (over £3200) to give almost £550 to each charity: Sport Relief, the RNLI, Epilepsy Research UK, Cancer Research UK, Diabetes UK and the Church Roof! THANK YOU!

REMEMBER: CHILDREN BREAK UP AT 3:15pm ON FRIDAY 20th JULY & RETURN ON TUESDAY 4th SEPTEMBER!

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BURGH BONANZA - SATURDAY 7th JULY

Wow! Despite the late rescheduling of the Burgh Bonanza, the event was a tremendous success, raising around £3000 for the PFTA. All money raised by the PFTA does find it's way back to the children in one way or another, so thank you to everyone for your support on a very hot and busy Saturday! Thank you also to Mrs. Allen and the members of the PFTA for all their hard work over the course of 2017-2018!

SPORTS NEWS

HOCKEY: Congratulations to our Y6 Hockey team! On the 8th July they competed in the County Finals in Grantham. In a journey that was echoed by England's World Cup squad, they dominated the group stages, edged the quarter final after extra time before running out of legs in the semi-final against a team comprising club hockey players! 4th in Lincolnshire is an amazing result though AND the team picked up the prestigious 'Sporting Values' award for their wonderful teamwork, fair play and respect. We are very proud of Eryn, Frankie, Freya, Jake, Louie and Rio. Well done also to Alyssa, Emily, Jamie, Louis and Macey for stepping up at short notice to fill a team slot at the event. Well done everyone!

MATHS IN MOTION: Our three reigning World Champions (Eryn, Frankie and Freya), along with Oliver put up a great defense of their World title, finishing 5th in Primary recently. Amazing! Guess who finally managed to win the Teacher World Championship race though?! Log on to www.mathschallenge.com to find out more!

(SLIGHTLY) NEW LOGO!

Anyone visiting

www.nationwideschooluniforms.co.uk recently will have noticed the slight change to the school logo (below) This has been rearranged on by the Governing Body over the course of the year as it was felt that the logo needed to reflect our 'proper' name (not just 'Burgh School') and that our Church School status needed to be acknowledged. The mill is also even more recognisably our own too. There is absolutely no expectation that anyone replaces perfectly good uniform! Please do not buy new items just because the logo is a little different. We have deliberately kept the design as similar as possible to the old version so that the changes are not too noticeable at a glance.



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PARKING PERMITS

Please be aware that all parent parking permits for the school car park will cease to be valid from September 2018. If you feel you may qualify to drop your children off in the car park, you must first enquire at the office and be issued with a new permit.

HOT MEALS PRICE INCREASE

Unfortunately from September the price of Hot School Meals will increase by 10p a day - sorry! We do believe that they are still good value for a tasty and nutritious hot meal.

Burgh Baptist Church Presents

Team Builders Holiday Club

23rd - 27th July

10am - 12noon

£1.50 day or £6 for the week

Children of Primary School Age (Including pre-schoolers)

To pre-register and guarantee a place ring Colin on 811260 or email Colin at depasta@talktalk.net

PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION: Thank you to everyone who voted in the recent Parent Governor Election.

Mrs. Elizabeth Ellis was re-elected to the Governing Body.