

Bursley Academy Newsletter Nurture, Inspire, Achieve



## NEWSLETTER: APRIL 2024

## Message from Mrs Green & Mrs Harley Deputy Headteachers

Firstly, we want to thank all our parents and carers for your support.

Don't forget that we operate an 'open door' policy and welcome feedback from parents. If you don't feel comfortable chatting to us at the top of the drive or your child's teacher on the playground, you are most welcome to call the school office to book an appointment.

# Last term was a very fulfilled, eventful term highlighting:

- Our school choir sang their hearts out at Young Voices
- Year 2 and Year 4 all had assemblies where parents/carers were invited to come along.
- Come learn with me sessions with Reception and Year 4 took place
- Year 2 went to Liverpool Maritime Museum
- Year 5/6 had parents and carers getting involved with their geography field trip
- Reception went to Trentham gardens who explored and had a great time
- Nursery went to Apple tree town who thoroughly enjoyed their time there
- Red Nose Day celebrated and raised £158 via the Just Giving website
- World Book Day, everyone took part and dressed up.
- Stoke City FC players came into school to visit classes
- Chocolate Bingo, eyes were on the chocolate on this night!
- Year 3 held an Easter performance for parents and carers and Nursery and Reception held their annual Easter Bonnet Parade.

And so much more to come over the Summer Term......

## **Changes to Staffing**

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome Miss Bentley and Mr Mitchell to our Bursley Family.

#### A few reminders and key information

### Arriving to school:

Please keep supporting us in getting your child into school on time; gates are open at 8:45am. One member of staff from each Key Stage is out on the playground to meet and greet and pass on any messages needed. Mrs Harley or Mrs Green will be on the gate to support any arising issues or worries. This is so that learning can start on time; particularly Year 6 who have SATs week fast approaching: week beginning 13<sup>th</sup> May 2024.

### Late arrivals:

If your child arrives late to school, then they need to sign in at the office. A late mark is issued from 9:00am.

### Changes to the Entrance Hall:

Mr Smith, our caretaker, is busy in the entrance hall making it a brighter and friendly space for you all when you come in to see the office staff. We hope you like the changes when it is finished!

A new addition to the entrance will be a pre-loved school uniform rail for you to purchase from the office, watch this space!

### Dogs on school site:

A polite reminder that there should be no dogs/ animals on the school site apart from Dexter our therapy dog.

### Uniform and labelling:

Please make sure that uniform and belongings are labelled with your child's name and checked on a regular basis as we no longer have a lost property area.

## Nut free school:

To reiterate we are a nut-free school, this is most important as we have children in school with severe nut allergies; so no food/snacks are allowed containing any nuts.

### Parking:

We have had several telephone calls regarding parents parking inappropriately outside of school. Be mindful of where you are parking and don't forget we have the Jill Clewes car park for you to use as well.

#### Dates for your diary:

Tues 9<sup>th</sup> & Wed 10<sup>th</sup> April – Yr 4 Bikeability Thur 11<sup>th</sup> April – 3:30pm Yr 1 Phonics Screener Meetings Mon 15<sup>th</sup> April – Yr 4 Swimming to start back Mon 15<sup>th</sup> April–1:30-2:30pm AG Come Learn with Me (Surname A-H) Tues 16<sup>th</sup> April–1:30-2:30pm SM Come Learn with Me(Surname A-K) Tues 16<sup>th</sup> April – SEND Parents Learning Plan Meetings Wed 17<sup>th</sup> April–1:30-2:30 AG Come Learn with Me(Surname J-W) Thur 18<sup>th</sup> April–1:30-2:30 SM Come Learn with Me(Surname L-W) Fri 19<sup>th</sup> April – Stoke City Penalty Shoot Out Tues 23<sup>rd</sup> April – 5pm Reception End of Year Expectations Mtg Thurs 25<sup>th</sup> April – Yr 3 Visit to Liverpool World Museum Fri 3rd May – Stoke City Penalty Shoot Out Presentation Mon 6<sup>th</sup> May – Bank Holiday Tues 7<sup>th</sup> May – Mrs Jesch's Class Assembly Wed 8<sup>th</sup> May – Miss Wilkes' Class Assembly Mon 13<sup>th</sup> – Fri 17<sup>th</sup> May – Yr 6 SATS Week Fri 17<sup>th</sup> May – Yr 6 End of SATS Reward/Fun Day Tues 21<sup>st</sup> May – Summer Disco Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> May – Yr 2 African Drumming Workshop (pm) Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup> May – 2:15pm Yr 6 Parent DT Project Mon 27th – Fri 31st May – Half Tern Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> June – Inset Day Tues 4<sup>th</sup> June – 6pm Nursery Intake Meeting Wed 5<sup>th</sup> June – 6pm Reception Intake Meeting Fri 7<sup>th</sup> June – Yr 1 Peak Wildlife Centre Trip Fri 7<sup>th</sup> June – Yr 6 Leavers Photographs Mon 10<sup>th</sup> June – Yr 1 Phonics Screener Mon 10<sup>th</sup> – Fri 14<sup>th</sup> June – Yr 2 SATS Week Mon 10<sup>th</sup> June – 9:30am – 10:30am AG Fathers Day Event Mon 10<sup>th</sup> June – 3:45pm – 4:15pm Reception Stay & Play Tues 11<sup>th</sup> June - 9:30am – 10:30am SM Fathers Day Event Wed 12<sup>th</sup> June – 9:30am – 10:15am Nursery Fathers Day Event Wed 12<sup>th</sup> June - 3:45pm – 4:15pm Nursery Stay & Play Fri 14<sup>th</sup> June – 2pm Year 4 Fathers Day Event Mon 17th June-9:15-10am Nursery Come Learn With Me Mon 17<sup>th</sup> June – 3:45pm-4:15pm Reception Stay & Play Tues 18th June-9:15-10am Nursery Come Learn with Me Wed 19th June – 3:45pm-4:15pm – Nursery Stay & Play Mon 24<sup>th</sup> June – Yr 1 & 2 Sports Day (am) Mon 24<sup>th</sup> June – 3:45-4:15pm Reception Stay & Play Tues 25<sup>th</sup> June – Yr 3 & 4 Sports Day (pm) Wed 26<sup>th</sup> June – Yr 5 & 6 Sports Day (pm) Wed 26<sup>th</sup> June – 3:45pm-4:15pm Nursery Stay & Play Thurs 27<sup>th</sup> June – Reception Prince & Princess Ball Fri 28<sup>th</sup> June – Yr 1 & 2 Back up Sports Day Sat 29<sup>th</sup> June – Summer Fayre Mon 1<sup>st</sup> July – 10:30–11:30 Nursery Sports Day & Family Picnic Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> July – Yr 3 & 4 Back up Sports Day Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> July – 2pm Yr 2 Parent Event Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> July – Year 5 & 6 Backup Sports Day (pm) Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> July – 10:30-11:30-Reception Sports Day & Family Picnic Fri 5<sup>th</sup> July – Yr 6 Sleepover Mon 8<sup>th</sup> July – 6pm Yr 5/6 Production Mon 8<sup>th</sup> July – 10:30-11:30am – Backup Nursery Sports Day Tues 9<sup>th</sup> July – Parents Evening Drop ins Wed 10<sup>th</sup> July – 2:15pm Nursery Graduation Wed 10<sup>th</sup> July – 6pm Yr 5/6 Production Thurs 11<sup>th</sup> July – 1:30pm Yr 5/6 Production Thurs 11<sup>th</sup> July – 10:30–11:30am – Back up Reception Sports Day Fri 19<sup>th</sup> July – Yr 6 Leavers Assembly (am)

#### **Office Reminders**

A reminder that the office opening hours are Monday-Thursday 8:30-4:30 & Friday 8:30-4.00.

Please remember to complete an absence request form if you are planning on taking your child out of school during term-time. Forms can be downloaded from the school website or collected via the office.

It is most imperative that you keep us up-to-date with any changes, for example, contact details, addresses, phone numbers and medical needs.

In the event of a child being absent from school for any reason, PLEASE contact the school office either by phone or email. Please also remember that we have regular meetings with the education welfare officer in relation to persistent absentees.

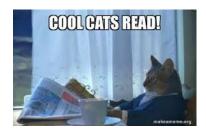
Free School Meals Eligibility – if you think that your child maybe eligible for free school meals then please check on the following link or contact the school office

https://apps2.staffordshire.gov.uk/web/fsmweb/

#### **Exciting News - Library**

The library has been reorganised so that children can choose appropriate books for free reading more easily. We are working hard to improve the quality of reading books as many are returned in a poor state. We are encouraging your children to look after their reading books and return them without being damaged. Please can you support us with this, as it is usually water damage that is causing the issue.

The librarians have been busy and are now ready to support your children in the library – well done to all that have helped!



#### SAFEGUARDING TEAM – BURSLEY ACADEMY Mrs Green

Mrs Harley Mrs Verdiani

Bursley Academy is an Operation Encompass School



Term Dates:

Term starts: Monday 8 April

May Day: Monday 6 May

Holiday: Monday 27 May – Friday 31 May

Inset Day: Monday 3 June

Term ends: Friday 19 July