

# Newsletter

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Dear Parents.

#### This week's news

I hope that everybody enjoyed a longer weekend ready for the events of this half term. We are now beginning end of Key Stage 1 assessments in Year 2 and these will continue throughout May. It is really helpful if the children's attendance is very good and that their arrival at school is prompt.

Next week is SATS week. Well done to all of our Year 6 children who have worked hard throughout the year. Top tips for next week are go to bed early and have a good breakfast!

Well done to our cross country runners who competed in the KDPSA race yesterday. It was a perfect day, and setting, for a challenging course. Both the girls and boys teams ran with great determination and perseverance. Well done particularly to Year 5 who put in some amazing performances, Tia 6<sup>th</sup> (Yr 5), Abbie 12<sup>th</sup> (Yr 5) and Riley 10<sup>th</sup> (Yr 6).

As part of this newsletter I am including the latest information on Leave of 'Absence During School Time' received from the local authority Attendance and Compliance Service.

#### Class News

Maple: This week we are planting seeds and are researching how we can help them to grow! In Literacy we are planning and writing our own stories. Cedar: We have loved learning about the Galapagos Islands in our topic work. In Literacy we have been reading, writing and performing poems.

Damson: We have been learning how to identify reliable information on the internet and learning how a google search works. In Literacy, we have been

learning how to write persuasively.

Oak: We have been busy with revision in both Numeracy and Literacy using past papers and online resources (the ipads have been a real help). In our topic work we have been identifying features of holiday destinations and selecting our favourites. Celebration Assembly 9.05 Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May

This Weeks Awards

Truly Brilliants

Maple: Mai Cedar: Jacob Damson: Mackala Oak: Will P

Mrs Patterson: All Year 6 children Silver: Mai, Molly, Thomas, Loann

Gold: Lois

Raising the Roof: Tilly, Arne

Super Cool: Callum B

Mind Blowingly Brilliant: Kiyan

Megatastic Multiple Challenge: Mya, Jonathan, Will,

Kristian, Charlie, Ruby, Joshua R

Mathlete of the Week: Foundation: Evan Key Stage 1: Nell Key Stage 2: Callum W

Class: Cedar

#### ADMISSIONS 2017

We have vacancies for September in Years 4 and 5. Please do not hesitate to ring Mrs Patterson if you are interested in any of these.

#### ADMISSIONS 2018

I would like to invite parents of children who are due to start school in September 2018 to visit the school on our:

#### OPEN DAYS

Join Mrs Patterson on a guided tour around the school in a small group, with the opportunity to ask any questions that you might have.

28<sup>th</sup> June 2017 1.30pm 29<sup>th</sup> June 2017 11.00am

Please ring 02476464130 to reserve your place.

#### Healthy Lunch Boxes Please!

It has been noticed that several children are bringing packed lunches which do not meet our schools healthy eating policy. Please help them to make wise choices.

# Sport

#### Cricket

Specialist cricket coaching continues for Damson Class this term. They will take part in the Cricket festival at Kenilworth Cricket Club on May 17<sup>th</sup>. I hope that children in Years 4, 5 and 6 will also take part in the Green Leek Cricket matches on 23<sup>rd</sup> May.

#### Green Leek Kingswood Residential

Preparations are in their final stages for our joint Year 5 and 6 visit to Norfolk on  $11^{th}$  June. An evening for parents and children will take place at All Saints' on Wednesday 17th May at 7pm.

#### Green Leek Cricket Match

Family Night Out at the Sports and Social Club in Leek Wootton Tuesday 23rd May 5pm onwards

A big thank you to everybody who has volunteered to play in the cricket match. After a slow start I have had to apply oversubscription criteria having discovered Burton Green has a wealth of cricketing talent. I have selected a team based on the time that the parents volunteered to play with preference given to existing parents.

We have needed to make some adjustments to our team so please check below.

Team 1st eleven: Sophie Matthews, Krushant Sonecha, Raj Rajathurai, Ryan Hancox, Rich Portas, Jonty Pearson, Duggie Brookes, Steve Webb, Paul Neve, **Tim Cunningham**, **Neal Probert**,

Reserves : Ian Edington, Nick Morgan, Adam Land, Paul Burgoine, Rory McDonnell, Jason Waite,

I would appreciate it if anybody unable to play would let me know as soon as possible please.

I hope you will all join us for an enjoyable evening.

#### Lost property

Please check the lost property box which is located by the school office. Any clothes etc not claimed will be given to the Bags2Schools on the 18<sup>th</sup> May.

#### Sainsbury's Active Kids 2017

Vouchers are now available at Sainsbury's until 30<sup>th</sup> June 2017. Please help us collect for cooking and sports equipment. We are a very sporty school and these vouchers are a great help in enabling us to continue adding to and replacing worn out equipment.

# Friends of Burton Green Making a difference!

Next meeting 14<sup>th</sup> June at 8pm. The Virgins & Castle in Kenilworth. All welcome.

Pudding Club Quiz Night Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May 7.30pm Still time to join us.

#### Mums Night Out

11th May 8pm Queen and Castle

# Bags2Schools Thursday 18th May

Spring Cleaning over the holiday?

Save all your unwanted clothes, shoes, belts for our next Bags2Schools Collection.

Drop off Wednesday after school or before 9am on Thursday. Encourage neighbours and friends to contribute too.

# Green Leek Cricket Match 23<sup>rd</sup> May 5.00 onwards.

Junior and adult cricket matches, BBQ, bar, close to children's play area. Fund raising event for both of our Green Leek Schools. Come along to enjoy a relaxed family evening even if you are not playing.

## Summer Fayre Friday 7th July

Hold the date to join all the fun of the fayre!

#### Easy Fundraising

Download the App! Burton Green School www.easyfundraising.org.uk

#### Burton Green Bonus

Contact Mrs Caz Thompson 07580 253402 between 7am and 7pm daily.

May 3<sup>rd</sup>
7.00 Green Leek Performance and Standards at All Saints'
May 4<sup>th</sup>
7.30 Friends of Burton Green Quiz and Pudding Night

May 8<sup>th</sup> Key Stage 2 Test Week- Year 6

7.00 Full Governing Body meeting at Burton Green

May 17<sup>th</sup> 10.00 Year 5 Cricket Festival at Kenilworth Cricket Club

1.00 Year 6 KDPSA Rounders Tournment at Kenilworth School

7.00 Kingswood meeting at All Saints'.

May 18<sup>th</sup> Bags2School

May 23<sup>rd</sup> Green Leek Cricket Match at Leek Wootton Sports and Social Club 5.00 Junior Match, 6.00

Adults

May 24th 7.00 Reception 2017 Induction Evening

Pupils Break Up- Half Term

May 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> Staff INSET Days

June 5<sup>th</sup> Return to school

Spring Fever Week

7.00 Green Leek 10K Steering group

June 8<sup>th</sup> Reception 2017 Group Induction

Years 5 & 6 Green Leek Kingswood Challenge Day at All Saints'

June 11<sup>th</sup> Years 5 & 6 Kingswood Residential visit, Norfolk

June 19<sup>th</sup> 2:30 Cedar class assembly

June 20<sup>th</sup> 4.00 KDPSA Field Events at Kenilworth School

June 21<sup>st</sup> 7.00 Green Leek Performance and Standards Committee at All Saints'.

June 22nd Reception 2017 Group Induction

9.45 Burton Green Resources Committee

4.00 KDPSA Track Events at Edmonscote Track

June 28<sup>th</sup> Central Area Induction Day Year 6 to secondary schools.. September classes YR - Year 5

move up.

1.30 Open Afternoon for September 2018 Admissions

Reception 2017 Induction 1.15. 2.45 coffee and chat for parents.

June 29<sup>th</sup> 11.00 Open morning for Reception 2018 Admissions

2:30 Maple class assembly

6.00 Central Area Sports Edmonscote

7.00 Green Leek Resources Committee at Burton Green 6.00 KDPSA Country Dancing Festival at Kenilworth Castle.

July 6<sup>th</sup>
7.00 Green Leek Governing Body at Burton Green
July 7<sup>th</sup>
6.00 Friends of Burton Green Summer Fayre & BBQ

July 11th9.05 Dance AssemblyJuly 12thReports to Parents out

July 17th 10.30 Teddy Bear's Picnic Reception 2017 and current reception children.

5-7.00 Open Evening

July 19<sup>th</sup> 2.00 Year 6 Garden Party

July 20<sup>th</sup> 9.05 Final Celebration Assembly

1.30 Sports Day

5.00 Green Leek Year 6 Leavers social event

July 21st 9.05 Final Assembly and presentations to Years 2 and 6

am Children's informal Talent Show



### LEAVE OF ABSENCE DURING TERM TIME

### **UPDATED INFORMATION FOR PARENTS**

Received from Warwickshire Attendance and Compliance Service

The Supreme Court recently reached a decision in the case of Platt v Isle of Wight Council which has clarified the law on unauthorised leave, including holidays, during term time. The parents of children of compulsory school age are required to ensure that they attend school on a regular basis. The Supreme Court has made clear that attending school 'regularly' means that the children must attend school on every day that they are required to do so. As such, the parents of any child who are absent from school without authorisation for any length of time are likely to be considered as committing an offence under s444 of the Education Act 1996.

Head Teachers retain the ability to authorise leave in accordance with the Education (Pupil Registration) (England) Regulations 2006. When considering such requests for a leave of absence, the school are obliged to act within the law. Head Teachers may not grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances relating to the application. If the leave is granted, head teachers are able to determine the number of school days a child can be absent for.

It is for the Head Teacher to decide what is 'exceptional' and it is at their discretion if the circumstances warrant the leave to be granted. The school can only consider Leave of Absence requests which are made by the 'resident' parent. *Each application for a leave of absence will be considered on a case by case basis and on its own merits.*Where applications for leave of absence are made in advance and refused, the child will be required to be in school on the dates set out in the application. If the child is absent during that period, it will be recorded as an unauthorised absence, which may result in legal action being taken against the parent(s), by way of a Fixed Penalty Notice. Failure to make an application for leave in advance can also result in a Fixed Penalty Notice being issued to the parent(s).

Your child's progress academically as well as socially is our shared priority