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BURNTSTUMP BUGLE

In our Burntstump community, everyone, adults and children, knows that they are valued as God's children. Their gifts are discovered, valued and nurtured so that all can flourish to live life in all its fullness.

CALENDAR DATES

- **2nd May** - Bank Holiday
- **6th May** - 9am - PTA meeting
- **6th May** - Reception and Year 6 heights/weights
- **9th - 13th May** - Year 6 SATs Week
- **16th - 20th May** - KS1 SATs Week
- **27th May** - INSET day
- **30th May** - Half term week
- **June** - Year 1 Phonics Screening Check
- **6th - 24th June** - Year 4 multiplication tables check
- **27th July** - Last day of Summer Term
- **28th July** - No School - additional Bank Holiday in lieu of the Queen's Jubilee

Dates TBC

Sports Day

Transition Day

Leavers Service @ St Paul's

Headteacher's Message

I hope you and your families have had a wonderful Easter break. This week the children have settled back into their routines and have shown how focussed they are and keen to learn; a great start to the summer term.

I would like to thank you personally for your understanding and support during the last term, but particularly the last 10 days. I know that many staff absences meant that this was an uncertain time for children, parents and staff alike. We can only hope that we will have a more settled summer term.

In addition to the PE uniform reminder below, to ensure the safety of your child and limit the risk of earrings being caught and ripped out, please ensure that they only wear studs to school. Hooped earrings (however small) present us with a health and safety issue and therefore should not be worn to school. As the weather is starting to get a little warmer, please also ensure your child has a water bottle (and sun hat when necessary) in school.

Today we have launched a new and improved school dinner menu, we hope that this encourages more families to consider children having a hot meal at dinner time.

We are very much looking forward to a fun-filled summer term and hope to be able to invite parents to attend events such as Sports Day.

With my warmest wishes,
Miss Emily Sopp



We encourage everyone to have the strength of character to choose honesty and truth at all times and be accountable for our actions.

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COMIC RELIEF

On Friday 18th March we participated in Comic Relief.

A range of 'noses' were on display throughout the day. Thank you to all of our families for your donations. We raised £87.03, which we know will make a difference to families in the UK and worldwide.

New Staff Welcome

We extend a warm welcome this week to two new members of staff. In Busy Bees, Miss Pilkington joins us as a student teacher who is on placement with us for the first half term and also Mrs Davies, who will be teaching on a Tuesday and Wednesday until the end of the summer term. Mrs Davies will also teach in Seely Squirrels on a Monday. They are both looking forward to getting to know our school community better so please introduce yourselves.

Governor Update

Following the recent vacancy, we are delighted to inform you that our new parent governor is Melissa Moore. We are really looking forward to working closely together to improve the life chances of our children. You can find out a little more about Melissa on our school website.

Mighty Oaks' Residential

A huge thank you to Mrs Ince, Miss Atkinson and Ms Sladen for leading the trip and ensuring the children all had an amazing experience.

Here's what the children thought -

On our residential to The Mill, we did many activities, such as: rock-climbing, zip-lining, tunnelling, archery, low ropes, kata-canoeing, archery and fire making (we got to toast marshmallows).

In tunnelling, you had to crawl through dark tunnels and go through tight spaces. When we got to a certain area in the tunnels, our instructor told us to turn off our torches. He then covered his headlamp and told us that the dim light we were in was how bright it was for miners. There were lots of enclosed spaces, so we would not recommend tunnelling if you are claustrophobic.

One of our favourite activities was definitely zip lining because although it's scary at first, it's super fun. On the zip line you wore a harness and were clipped onto the wire. When you came down the hill it was a great feeling! You had to grab the rope so you didn't go back up and everyone was cheering you on.

We liked doing all the team-building activities because we did fun challenges like trying to cross a 'swamp' with only nine boxes or doing a rope swing onto a platform.

Overall, everything was great and the experience was definitely amazing.

It feels like a real camping experience for people who haven't ever gone camping before. We would recommend going again, but possibly in a warmer month as it was especially cold at night. However, no matter what the weather, there are lots of activities that you can do. By Mighty Oaks children.

Baby News!



We are thrilled to announce the safe arrival of Mrs Cotton-Winfield's baby girl, who they have named Daisy. You will be pleased to know they are all doing well.

We wish Mrs Cotton-Winfield's family all the love and happiness during this precious time.

Uniform reminder

We have noticed that some children have begun to wear fashion items on PE days. The uniform is:

- White/blue t-shirt/polo shirt
- Navy shorts/joggers
- Navy jumper (no hoods)
- Trainers (or plimsoles)

Please note that earrings should not be worn for PE and hair should be tied back.

Earth Month

April is Earth Month. Please speak to your child about how to protect and care for our planet, and what they can do to help this cause.

