



## Newsletter 1 – Autumn Term 2024

### Burrowmoor Primary Academy

Good morning to all our families. It is with great pleasure that I write this newsletter to you all. We have had an amazing start to our first half term of this new year. There have been so many positives about this time and I would like to share some of them with you below: -

#### New Class names

We began the term in our new classes with new class names. They are all names of famous British composers. The children have been reminded to challenge all staff to learn the name of their classes. Nursery and Reception are the Butterflies, Caterpillars and Koalas... and from then on it is the composers.

Year 1 and 2 – Britten, Webber and Wiseman classes

Year 3 and 4 – Sullivan, Elgar and Jenkin classes

Year 5 and 6 – Birtwistle, Purcell and Arnold classes

In the first week children spent time learning about these composers. We have some other class rooms named after Hottz and Bowie. Our Curriculum newsletters can be found on our website.

<https://www.burrowmoor.net/page/?title=Class+Pages&pid=28>

#### Behaviour

The vast majority of children are showing pro social behaviour for most of the time. As I have already shared with you we are continuing to focus on Lunchtimes – we will be developing this further with many different sections and also craze weeks. Our wellbeing warriors will be on duty to support children in the playground following their training last term as well. Later this term we will also be appointing our play leaders to further enhance lunchtimes.

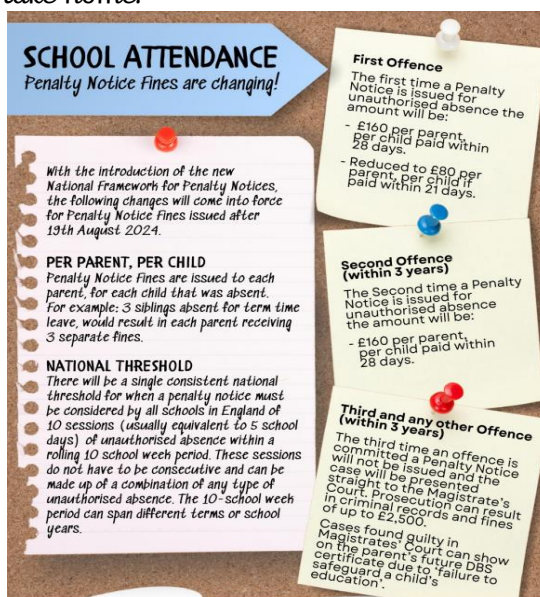
#### Dan the Skipping Man

On Tuesday 17th September 2024, we will spend a day with Dan the Skipping man. All children will be presented with a skipping rope to bring home and they will also have one in school. Dan will show us how to become a skipping school and we will then work hard on all learning to skip ... teachers as well.

<https://www.youtube.com/dantheskippingman>

#### Attendance

This continues to be a focus for the term and even more so with the new government regulations that have come into force. Every day in school does matter, both educationally and socially for our children. We will continue to celebrate good attendance and reward our children accordingly. Those who achieved 100% attendance last year received their diamonds to take home.





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#### **Assemblies**

Are now times to learn and celebrate – children understand what we expect and show respect to their colleagues. We have a weekly singing assembly to celebrate our love of music. We have many music lessons for our children and our Orchestra is growing in size and confidence. This year we will be taking part in the Young Voices in Birmingham and we will also be running a Music club at lunchtimes.

#### **School Council and Buddies**

We are starting our process of recruiting for our school council this term. We will also be introducing a Buddy System to the school where Year 5s and 6s will become lead buddies and lead buddy meetings three times a year – this lets the children make some wonderful friends with children in different parts of the school. Our Governing body for the school will be meeting in October with our new members on board.

#### **FOBs – Friend of Burrowmoor**

Our new FOB group will be meeting on 17th September 2024 this term to start the ball rolling with fundraising and other ways to support our school. We are excited to see what they plan.

#### **Doggy Waddle 20th September 2024 and Pippin in School**

We plan for Pippin to be in school once a week and she is very excited about the upcoming Doggy Waddle. Please collect your sponsor money and bring it into school as soon as the walk is complete.

All the school children will complete a 2KM SPONSORED walk. Parents, carers and friends of Burrowmoor are also invited to attend. Family pet dogs are invited. The animals must be on leads and must be socialised and safe around children. All those who attend will take responsibility for the dogs they bring. They must be under control at all times. The dog owners will be responsible for clearing up after their dogs as well. Entrance will be through the gates in the staff car park. If some of you are not doing the walk but wish to watch, please bring rugs or camping chairs to sit on.

#### **Program for Burrowmoor – Doggy Waddle 2.00-3.00pm**

- 1.30 Parents/Carers arrive and register. Ribbon given to each registered dog to wear
- 2.00-3.00 Children and parents to walk together with their dogs around the route which will be clearly demarcated.
- 3.00 All meet for photo – children can go when the event is over. Only with parents or when we have written permission

#### **Parent Evenings – 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> November 2024**

Parents' evenings will be organised via DOJO as we did last year. You will be able to book your time slot using Arbor. The purpose of these meetings is to discuss how settled the children are and also to discuss any issues or concerns you may have. They will take place in the school hall. The children will be doing assessments later in November and there will be a mini report sent out at the end of the next half term with the outcomes of this attached

#### **Parent Questionnaire – Autumn 2024**

Our Trust has asked me to send out our annual parent questionnaire which I will be doing in the next few weeks. Thank you all in advance for completing this as the comments and outcomes will go towards our School development plan and plans moving forward. Thank you



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