

# **Burley Primary School**

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## Dear Parents,

Welcome back for, unbelievably, the final half term of this academic year. We hope that you all had a good half term break after a very busy Forest Week.

## Mr Twyman

Mr Twyman is still recovering from his back injury and won't be back into school for the rest of this week. Mrs Hammersley is covering the Headteacher duties in his absence. Should you need to speak to her she will be available first thing in the morning and at the end of the day. Please e-mail the office and your message will be passed on accordingly. Mr Twyman is missing everyone at school and was delighted to hear all about the successes of Forest Week. We wish him better and hope to see him back at school soon.

#### Forest Week 2016

What an amazing week we all had during Forest Week. From making delicious pizza, bug hotels, planting, walking, deer stalking, wagon riding to a fantastic day out at The New Forest Wildlife Centre! Thank you to everyone, the staff, parent helpers and the local community, who helped make the week so successful and memorable. We were very proud of all the children who were great ambassadors for BPS during the many trips out during the week, thank you. Special thanks to Mrs Shutler who organised and co-ordinated the week. We can't wait for next year!

### **SATs**

We would like to once again take the opportunity to thank our wonderful Year 6 children for their hard work during 'SATs Week'. As well as demonstrating excellent levels of concentration, even in the face of up to 4 hours of testing a day, they maintained great humour and resilience throughout. We are very proud of them all!! Test papers have now been posted off for marking and we can access the children's results online at the beginning of July.

## School photo - Friday 17th June

The whole school photo is on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June. Could all children come in with their <u>school jumper</u> please. This year we have changed our photographer to a local company called Happy Smiles. The examples of their photos are excellent and the photo bundles they offer are more competitive than Pret a Portrait, who we have used for the past few years.

## Snack money

Could we please ask that if your child has snack money that it is in a clearly NAMED purse/wallet. We have a number of purses/wallets that are the same or very similar and it can get very confusing at break time when children are buying their snack in a limited amount of time. Money in the money bags is not safe and has been falling out, which has also caused a problem. Thank you.

## Nature and gardening group

Following the success of Forest Week, Mrs Parker is starting a lunchtime nature and gardening group. If you would like to be a part of this group, please write a short letter to Mrs Parker giving the reasons why you would like to join and why you would be a good member and drop it into the letter box on Mrs Parker's desk by Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June.

### Vegetable garden

We are holding a competition to name our new vegetable garden, if you can think of a great name, please write it on a piece of paper along with your name and place it in the box in the office foyer by Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June. The winner will receive a small prize and the winning garden name will be displayed in the entrance to the garden. Good luck and we look forward to lots of creative names!

## Queens 90<sup>th</sup> birthday party

On Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> June, the BPSA is hosting a birthday party to help HRH The Queen celebrate her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. The party will be held between 1-3pm. There will be entertainment and magic from Count Backwards and a mini-London marathon to enjoy before a street party tea. It is a mufti-day with a red, white and blue theme (but any colour will be welcome!). If the children would like to make a hat to wear during the tea, we will be delighted to see them! There is a menu for the tea in reception if you would like to see it. The BPSA is looking for help on Thursday afternoon and Friday morning to prepare for the party and then on Friday afternoon. If you are able to help, please let the office know.

### Warm weather

We have been incredibly lucky with the weather recently and long may it continue! However, periods of hot and sunny weather does provide us with challenges in school; particularly as the children are outside between midday and 1pm (when the sun is strongest). As such, please ensure that your child has a water bottle and sun hat in school routinely for the rest of this Term. In addition, particularly on days when the weather forecast is for raised UV levels, applying a high factor sun lotion on exposed areas of skin – remembering before the children come in to school.

### **Dates for your Diary:**

Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Queens 90 <sup>th</sup> birthday celebration party 1-3pm
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Film club – The Peanuts Movie
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Whole school photo
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	INSET
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Sports Day – 'Plan A'
Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Summer Fair 11am – 2pm
Friday 8th July	BPSA Family BBQ 5pm – 7pm
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Yr 6 visit to Ringwood School
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	New Class Change Over Day Yr6 visit to Ringwood School
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> July & Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	ALADDIN – 6.30pm Pre-performance drinks from 6pm
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Leavers Assembly 11am (Y6 parents) Children's Last Day of Term
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	INSET

Warmest Regards, Liz Hammersley Assistant Headteacher