



Burton Buzz

Issue 77

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A great half-term of learning activities

The final two weeks of this half term have involved Year 6 SATs, assessments, trips, workshops, non-uniform days and so many brilliant lessons, clubs and activities that the children have engaged with. Your children continue to make us proud daily with the way that they approach challenges, try new things and demonstrate our school values throughout. As we continue to develop the Burton Buzz we are sharing with you more and more insight into what your children experience daily in school. One item that we have chosen to share with you in this edition is the experience that your children have at lunch time-I hope you enjoy watching it as much as we enjoy sharing this time with your children each day. Have an enjoyable half term break-enjoy the sunshine!

Kelly Mace - Headteacher

Enjoy the sunshine

Lunch time at Burton End

Lunch times are a really important part of the school day. They form part of our personal development curriculum and are a time where children develop social skills, life skills, communication skills, learn about health and wellbeing and have some time to exercise, relax and have fun.

Scan this QR code to see what lunch times at Burton End look like:



developing skills at lunchtimes

Jimmy's Farm

Year 2 visited Jimmy's Farm. They had an amazing time exploring the farm, meeting some of the animals and learning new facts about them. We got to meet a chicken, turtle and guinea pig up close and enjoyed looking at three polar bears.



Thurlow Farm

Year 3 were very lucky to have an invitation to go and see a working farm on the Thurlow Estate. It is only open to schools for one day each year and not every school that applies to go is accepted! They were also very lucky with the weather which ensured an excellent experience of how modern farming estates are run, where our food comes from as well as some hands-on experiences!

Year 2 + 3 enjoy time at the farm!

Assessments

As we are in the middle of 'assessment season' I wanted to share with you our ethos around assessments; we continually encourage your children to be ambitious and try their best in all that they do. We also teach them to be resilient and support them with this. While results matter, they do not define your children or their future, so we encourage parents to work in partnership with us to achieve a balanced approach to this aspect of school life.

We are proud of every child at Burton End for their unique qualities and achievements.

We are always proud

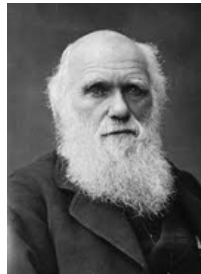
Annual Surveys

Over the next half term we will be analysing the feedback from our annual surveys. This includes surveys that have been completed by parents, pupils and staff. As Head Teacher of Burton End it is very important to me that my decision making and planning to continue to develop the school is informed by the voice of the community that we serve. The parental engagement with this survey has not enabled me to gather a representative sample of what parents think the school does well and what it could continue to develop or do better as it was completed by less than 30 parents. If you have any ideas regarding how we could better engage our parent community to share your views please do let us know.

Parental engagement

House Points

Well done to Darwin House who have achieved the most house points this half term. Your flag will be flying proudly at the front of the school for the next two weeks.



Well Done Darwin House

School Meals

if your child has a school dinner and is not entitled to free school meals, please can you ensure that the balance is cleared during the week the meals were taken.

Payment is made via the Arbor app.



Please check and clear balances

Road Safety

We have ongoing challenges regarding how busy the road outside the school gets at the start and end of the school day. We ask that parents ensure that they are driving and parking safely. We appreciate that with two schools on school lane, parking can be an issue.

Please be considerate when parking in residential areas near school, or consider using the spaces available at the Rugby Club at the top of School Lane.

Please help keep our children safe

Use of technologies

To ensure an engaging and effective learning experience, we integrate various and appropriate technologies into our curriculum delivery. If you have any concerns regarding the use of these tools, please inform your child's Headteacher.



Message from theTrust



Please keep clear:

- Zig zags
 - School entrances
 - Disabled bays
 - Reception's driveway
 - Opposite or within 10 metres of a junction
- This helps our children to see cars and drivers to see our children.

You can help by:

- Keeping your speed low, this will allow everyone else to see, think and act safely
- Always encourage your child to enter and exit your car on the pavement side
- Check for pedestrians or cyclists before opening the car door
- Stopping at the zebra crossing or for a school crossing patrol when asked
- Waiting patiently at the zebra crossing
- Parking away from school gates to reduce congestion
- Taking care when reversing

Please don't:

- Stop in the middle of the road to drop your children off, this puts our children at risk
- Overtake cars who are allowing traffic to flow or pedestrians to cross
- Turn around in entrances of driveways
- Park on yellow lines, the yellow zig zag lines or opposite entrances
- Keep your engine running as it pollutes the air around our school

Mr Newman's Sporting Roundup....

On Monday morning we took 12 of our Year 6 girls to the Girls Love Rugby festival hosted by The Northampton Saints at Cambridge Rugby Club. The day started with a circuit of different training sessions working on the rules and the basics of tag rugby followed by 6 games against the other schools who attended with a focus on fun and development. As always, the children represented our school impeccably and they had a great day! If your child would like any information on girls' rugby or any of the sports clubs on offer within Haverhill, please do get in contact via the school admin email.



On Tuesday it was the much-anticipated **Year 5 vs Year 6 derby** in the Prestige football league. It was a convincing win for the Year 6's on this occasion but both teams have had a really good season so far with the Year 5's making so much improvement over the season and gaining valuable experience ready for next year. The Year 6's have been very competitive, playing in some great fixtures and winning some big games. The children have always shown excellent sportsmanship throughout the season and represented the school and our values at every fixture.



The last game of the season for both teams is after half term on 2nd June.

Active Week 2026

29th June - 3rd July

Monday 29th June

Nursery Sports morning - 10am-12pm



Tuesday 30th June

Local sports clubs and primary schools will visit for activities day where our Year 5 and 6 children will enjoy a number of taster sessions from local sports clubs to show them what is available in the local community to support them in their transition to secondary school and keep them active.



Wednesday 1st July

Explorers & Adventurers Sports morning

Location: Hub outdoor area
Time: 9am - 10:30am

EYFS + KS1 Sports days

Families are invited on to the field for a picnic 12-1pm followed by races from 1pm.



Thursday 2nd July

KS2 Sports days

Families are invited on to the field for a picnic 12-1pm followed by races from 1pm.

Friday 3rd July

Burton End Fun Run. Throughout the day each year group will complete a few laps of the course set up around the field and playground but as they go around there will be a few stations where teachers and staff can offer encouragement.



Lots of activities to look forward to!



Another very common area of difficulty for many children:

Picky eating

Picky eating is when a child eats a very limited range of foods or is reluctant to try new ones. This can be linked to sensory sensitivities (taste, texture, smell), anxiety, routines, or past experiences with food.

In school



We support children by:

- Creating a **calm, positive environment** around food and mealtimes.
- Encouraging children to **explore foods slowly** (looking, touching, smelling, tasting).
- Respecting individual preferences while **gently introducing new foods** over time.
- Using **consistent routines** and clear expectations to reduce anxiety.

At home



Small, positive steps can help:

- Keep mealtimes **routine and relaxed**, without pressure to eat.
- Offer **small portions of new foods alongside familiar favourites**.
- Encourage children to **explore food** (touching or smelling is a good start).
- Avoid battles over food—praise attempts rather than how much is eaten.
- Remember that progress can be **slow and gradual**.

Useful links



<https://www.nhs.uk/baby/weaning-and-feeding/fussy-eaters/>

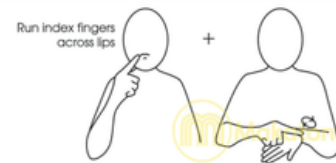
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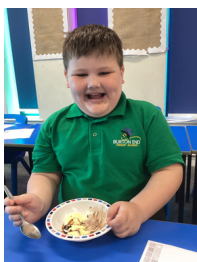
Spotlight on picky eating

Sign green and purple with us

Golden Ticket Reward

Mr Boddington's Ice Cream Parlour was open today for children who exchanged their Golden tickets. They had different ice cream flavours and toppings to make their own delicious sundaes!

Golden Tickets cost 12 golden postcards and can be purchased from Friday's reward shop.

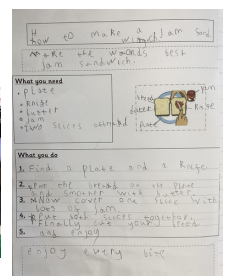


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Year 1 enjoying their DT lesson

Year 1 have been practising writing instructions. The children started by making their own jam sandwich, to give them hands on experience, before writing instructions on how to do this. They had to list each piece of equipment/ingredient they used and put each step in order with imperative verbs to help make the instructions clear and precise. We have been incredibly impressed with these instructions.

Well done to Year 1.



Jam sandwiches for Year 1

What is Omoggle?

Omoggle is an anonymous video chat website where people are randomly connected with strangers. It uses artificial intelligence (AI) to rate and compare users based on their appearance.

It's become popular on social media platforms like TikTok and Twitch, as part of a trend sometimes called "mogging," where people compare how they look and rank each other.

What should parents know?

Your child could be exposed to strangers without safeguards

The platform encourages appearance-based judgement

It may impact confidence, body image, and mental wellbeing

Some associated content online promotes unhealthy attitudes

Why is it a concern?

Because Omoggle is anonymous, young people may find themselves chatting with strangers in an environment where there is no real supervision.

The focus on judging appearance can be harmful, as it may encourage negative comparisons, affect self-esteem, and increase the risk of bullying or unkind behaviour.

There are also concerns that some of the ideas linked to "mogging" culture overlap with online communities that promote unhealthy or negative attitudes, which can be worrying from a safety and wellbeing perspective.

How can parents support their child?

Talk openly about the app and what they might experience

Encourage them to avoid anonymous chat platforms

Help them understand that appearance-based ratings don't reflect real worth

Remind them to report or leave any situation that feels uncomfortable

Please be vigilant around online apps/websites that your child may be using

Burton Bees



SUMMER FAIR

Thursday 25th June 2026
3:45pm – 5:00pm

BURTON END PRIMARY SCHOOL

FREE ENTRY

JOIN US FOR LOTS OF FUN!

- inflatables •
- face painting •
- hook a duck •
- water or wine •
- tombola •
- £ in a bucket •
- shoot a hoop •
- stocks •
- and much more!

The poster features a blue background with white clouds, colorful bunting at the top, and illustrations of a slide, a duck in a bucket, and small white flowers.



Thank you for all your amazing donations for the tombola following our non-uniform day yesterday!

We have lots of great prizes to be won.

We are looking forward to the summer fair

Diary Dates

May 2026

25-29th	all week	May Half term	All Years
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To be confirmed

Summer term overview



May 2026

4th
Bank Holiday



6th
EYFS + HUB
Little City workshop in
school



20th
**WOW
WEDNESDAY!**

22nd
Year 3
Thurlow Estate trip



25th - 29th
May half term

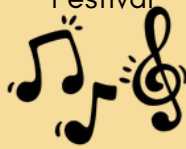


June 2026

4th
Class photos



15th
Year 5: Music
Festival



17th
**WOW
WEDNESDAY!**

22nd - 24th
Year 6: PGL



25th
Year 5: Trip to
Lackford Lakes



25th June
Summer Fete



26th
PD day



29th
Nursery: sports
day



30th
Sports workshops
with local schools



Active week 29th June - 3rd July 2026

July 2026

Active week 29th June - 3rd July 2026

1st
Sports Day -
Hub Sports Morning
Time: 9am - 10:30am

Reception + KS1 - pm



2nd
Sports Day
KS2



15 + 16th
Transition days to new classes



17th
Last day of school

**School's
OUT
Summer is
ON!**





WOW WEDNESDAY!

WELCOME TO OUR CLASSROOMS

A monthly chance to come and visit your child's classroom to take part in an activity or see the excellent work they have been doing!

**3.00PM
UNTIL THE END OF THE DAY**

DATES

17th June 2026

If you have more than one child in school we ask that you attend only one classroom per WOW Wednesday to allow us to make sure we can manage visitors in school in line with our safeguarding procedures. We have provided the dates so you can plan which child you will visit on which date.