## **BURNHAM-ON-CROUCH PRIMARY**



## **SCHOOL NEWSLETTER**

1<sup>st</sup> October 2021

#### Message from Miss Stock

Dear Parents/Carers,

It's incredible to think this is the first newsletter of this new academic year and already so much has happened!

First, thank you for all your patience and support in returning to 'normal'. Our COVID19 full risk assessment is on the website and we will adapt this as and when to ensure the safety of staff, pupils and the wider community.

I am very pleased to welcome our new staff who have settled into our school family very quickly – Mrs Boroughs, Mr Codling, Mrs Goodbrand, Miss Cole and our new LSAs, Mrs Williams and Miss Curry. We hope to soon welcome two more LSAs to our team. Our new Reception children have also settled amazingly well and have shown great courage in getting over any initial tears and worries. I would also like to personally welcome the new families who have moved to the area and whose children have joined the school.

There is already much to celebrate. This morning I had the privilege of hearing our Year 6 girls and boys give their speeches for Head girl and boy. As always, your children make my day. Listening to their hopes and dreams and what the school has done for their confidence and self-esteem, is utterly heart-warming and reminds me why I am proud to be the Headteacher of this school. All of the children's speeches were brilliant and they should all be as proud of themselves as I am.

Head girl - Chloe Southern

Deputy head girl - Jess Wilkinson

Head boy- Henry Hammond

Deputy head boy-Bradan Desai-Dunphy

Well done to Owen Letham, Niall Harrell, Serenna Ventimiglia and Erin Rawlinson.

Many congratulations to Chloe Southern and Henry Hammond, I am delighted to be able to work with the head girl and boy to make our school even better than it is.

Miss Stock

#### **Diversity Awards Ceremony**

Thank you to those of you who nominated us for the National Diversity Awards, I can now share the school was shortlisted for 7 awards!

- Outstanding School
- SEND Provision
- Best PTA
- Curriculum Excellence
- Quality of Education

We won the Quality of Education award. In addition, two of our pupils were shortlisted for Student of the Year and Rising Star – Lenny Rush and Toni-Jo Nie. Both won!

We attended the celebration with our Year 5 pupils who, once again, were impeccably well behaved and thoroughly enjoyed the buffet!

It was a wonderful celebration of our school and our children, and something to remember for a long time.



#### The Diversity Awards for Education

The Diversity Awards for Education is unique in recognising individual teachers, non-teaching roles, students and parents. These awards are run exclusively for Diversity Mark Schools and other schools by invitation only.

The awards celebration took place on the 24th of September 2021 hosted at Harris Academy Mayflower. The awards, celebrated inclusion and outstanding educational practice, focusing on achievement across the whole school.

The awards team completed over 120 hours reviewing nominations, from over 50 schools and partners. The final Shortlist included a number of outstanding nominations.

The highlights of the evening included big wins by, Nicola Graham, Harris Academy Chafford Hundred for Outstanding Leader, Burnham on Crouch Primary. was the most nominated school, demonstrating best practice in a number of categories and winning a special commendation for Quality of Education. Edward Caines, Woodside Academy won the Lifetime Achievement Award.

The event was inspirational with a number of special moments from parents and students. This included a standing ovation for Toni-Jo Nie, Burnham-on-Crouch Primary School and Caesy DeAlyn, Harris Academy Chafford Hundred. These students demonstrated great resilience and inspirational stories. Then Lenny Rush stole the show. Congratulations to all nominees and winners and see you next year.





#### **School Tours**



# Burnham-on-Crouch Primary School School Tour



We are pleased to be able to offer tours of the school to parents and carers of children due to start in September 2022.

We are limited to groups of eight, so **we are only able to offer one place to each family.**We also ask where possible that children do not attend.

#### Date and times of the tours are as follows:

Tuesday 12th October @ 10.30am

Wednesday 20th October @ 9.30 am

Tuesday 2nd November @ 9.30 am

Thursday 4th November @ 10.30 am

Tuesday 9th November @ 10.30am

Wednesday 17th November @ 9.30 am

All visitors to the school must comply with our visitor protocol which is to provide evidence of a recent lateral flow test negative result on arrival and to wear a face mask at all times whilst in the school (unless medically exempt). You will not be allowed to join one of our tours if you are not willing to meet with these requirements.

To book your place please call the school office on 01621 782070. Opening hours 8.15am—4.15pm.

#### Australian and Chinese Day for Year 2 Diversity Day

Kangaroo class have been learning about the Kangaroo and where it lives. They have been creating kangaroo hats with ears, paper cups and lots more!



Panda class, for their diversity day, they decided to learn all about the country where the Panda resides, China. They learned a lot of facts about China, made Panda masks using paper plates, created maps of China full of features, made beautiful Chinese lanterns and paper DRAGONS!



### Year 3 Stone Age

Year 3 experienced a day in the life of the Stone Age. They had fun activities such as cave painting, archaeological dig, soap carving and under the table cave drawing with charcoal.











#### **Sophia Staines**

Sophia competed in the Junior Blackpool Dance Festival (Latin and Ballroom) with her partner over the summer holidays and achieved an amazing 3rd place in the U10 Latin. They also made several semi-finals in U12 events competing against dancers from all over the world!

Well done Sophia – keep up the hard work!





#### **Adeline & Emerson Maas**

Emerson participated in the EKA sparring tournament. It was his first tournament & he was the youngest competitor. He was super confident & competed in front of the fellow competitors & parents.

Adeline competed in the EKA England squad / EKA Team Elite tournament in front of a live audience. She won silver in Kata and silver in Creative Forms which is an amazing

achievement.

Well done to you both!





#### Rawlinson twins cut their hair!

Erin & Adele Rawlinson have cut their hair and donated to the Little Princess Trust.

If you would like to donate to their just giving page please see the information below:

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Claire-rawlinson15



So far they have raised £615!

Well done girls!





#### Oliver Livingstone

Oliver Livingstone recently decorated his bedroom and wanted a Space theme! He decided to draw his own pictures and frame them! Well done Oliver!



#### Jessica and Alfie Hatton

Jess and Alfie have both received the Blue Peter Sports badge.

They applied during the summer holidays with a photo and letter about starting sailing.

Well done Jess and Alfie!





#### BankTheFood

A charity based in Burnham has been shortlisted in a worldwide competition for APP INNOVATION, held by Huawei

The need for food banks in the UK is higher than ever before. BanktheFood has designed an innovative, free app to help food banks communicate their real time requirements to shoppers, and the Burnham based app has been selected by telecommunications giants Huawei, to be shortlisted in their worldwide competition.

How It Works: All you need to do is download the free app and then 'follow' Dengie Food Pantry. When you're near a local drop-off point (the COOP, Burnham) BanktheFood will send your phone a helpful little ping with a reminder of Dengie Food Pantry's latest needs.

Do your own shopping, choose something for the food bank and leave your item/s in the donation box, knowing you've given exactly what is needed.

Download the app here



If you would like to get behind BanktheFood in the Huawei competition, please vote for them here

http://bit.ly/39LfHp4



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