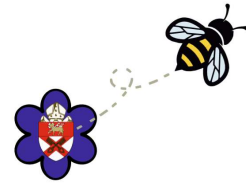




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## **Newsletter Summer 1, May 2025**

We're flying through summer term already! It's been a sunny, happy and very busy half term – here's what we've been up to.

### **FOBS events**

The Colour Run was a huge success and raised over £2,500 which we are spending on games and resources for outside play. Thank you so much to FOBS for organising (and ending up covered in paint themselves), and a huge thank you and well done to all the children who raised so much money from sponsorship.

### **School Council**

Having canvassed the rest of school about new playtime equipment, School Council then supported the interview panel for the new member of staff in KS2 in September. I'm happy to report that their observations totally aligned with those of the governor/staff panel and we have successfully recruited an excellent new teacher.

### **Dressing up clothes**

Having done an audit of the dressing up box, we would be really grateful for any donations. Whilst superhero and princess style dressing up outfits are brilliant, the most popular (and most imagination-building) items are old adult clothes. Skirts, shirts, waistcoats, jackets, heels, handbags, costume jewellery, hats – literally anything that you no longer wear. Please send anything in to school, it's one of our most popular playtime areas in summer and we need more stuff!

### **Safeguarding**

Year 5 and 6 had a visit from PCSO Heather Lees this week, who came to talk to them about hate speech as part of some PSHE they have been learning. In addition, she talked about Operation Sceptre, North Yorkshire Police's current initiative to reduce knife crime. PCSO Lees was very impressed by their maturity, engagement and excellent questions – well done Hawks! Children across school have also had assemblies from the NSPCC as part of the 'Speak Out, Stay Safe' campaign, and pupils in Years 2, 5 and 6 will be having in person workshops next half term too. With the holidays coming up, don't forget that there is a lot of information on our school website (<http://burneston.n-yorks.sch.uk/children/safeguarding/>), about keeping your child safe, including links to other safeguarding specialists as well as quick guides to games, apps and staying safe online.



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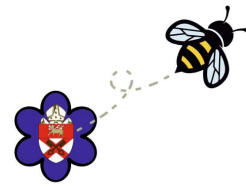




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### **Village Show**

Just a clarification from the Village Show committee that all children who are in the school catchment area (Burneston, Exelby, Theakston, Carthorpe, Kirklington, Melmerby, Wath and Middleton Quernhow) are eligible to enter the show categories – not just the Burneston residents! All children in school will be creating their usual amazing artworks and other entries as part of our normal end of term activities, but should they also want to enter other categories, the committee wanted to clarify this. The show takes place in school on the first Saturday of the summer holidays.

### **Sports**

Our cricket teams in KS2 were out in force this half term – everyone performed really well, and particular congratulations to the Y3/4 boys and girls teams, who have got through to the next round at Richmond High School in June! Will keep you posted.

### **Rivers Trust**

Years 3 and 4 had a fabulous day with the team from Rivers Trust, they brought their workshop and pond dipping kit – the children loved learning about habitats and their inhabitants, and the Rivers people were very impressed by their listening skills and excellent questions.

### **After school clubs and multisports**

You will have received a letter/email with a survey attached this week. We are reviewing our after school provision and would be grateful for your feedback.

### **Attendance**

Wrens: 97.2%

Swifts: 97.2%

Robins: 96.9%

Kites: 97.2%

Hawks: 96.3%



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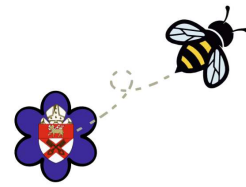




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Holidays: please note that we are unable to authorise term time holidays, in line with DfE guidance and school policy. We are receiving an increasing amount of holiday requests, with children missing a significant amount of their time in school. Please be mindful that every day in school counts, even (and especially) in summer term.

#### **Uniform and PE Kit, Wellies and Overs**

Just a reminder about PE kit – plain dark bottoms and white tshirt, with a school jumper please. Some children are coming in wearing branded hoodies etc in a rainbow of colours – we have plenty of spares if needs be. As we approach Summer term, please make sure your child has a sun hat (named) and water bottle in school too. Please make sure the water bottle contains water rather than juice.

***Don't forget you can also check out our Twitter account (@BurnestonSchool) to see what we've been up to! You don't have to have a Twitter account yourself, you can just google it, or follow via the school website (<http://burneston.n-yorks.sch.uk/>).***



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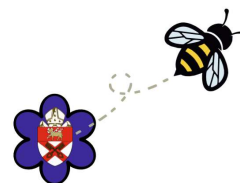




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**Dates:**

When	What	Who
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	NSPCC assemblies	All
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Parent/Carer Celebration Assembly 2.45 Break up	All
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	Return to school	All
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	NSPCC workshops	Y2, 5/6
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> June 3.15	FOBS Superhero craft club	All
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Class Photos	All
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> June, 5.30pm	New Starters September 2025 Welcome Evening	New Starters
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> June 1pm for 1.30 start	Sports Day FOBS Summer Fair	All
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Hawks Manchester/Liverpool Residential	Y5/6
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> June, 2.45	Parent/Carer Celebration Assembly	All
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Y3/4 Trip to Hancock Museum, Newcastle	Y3/4
2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 7 <sup>th</sup> , 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Transition sessions for September 2025 new starters	New starters
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Whole school 'moving up' transition morning	All
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Ripon Cathedral Leavers' Service	Y6
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 Sleepover	Y6
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Quad kids	Teams from Y1/2 Y3/4
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Hawks trip to Potter Space	Y5/6
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	FOBS Summer Disco Reports out to parents	All
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> July, 2pm	Y6 leavers' service	Y6 and their parents
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Break up for summer	All



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