

Brize Norton Primary School

We **SHINE** for ourselves and each other

Striving, Helping, Inspiring, Nurturing, Excelling



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Head Teacher's News

Dear Parents/Carers,

There has been a flurry of activity these past few weeks as I am sure you are aware which has seen the children really embodying our school motto of, 'We SHINE for ourselves and others'. The Year 6s persevered wonderfully throughout their week of SATs, which I am sure you have seen in the news, proved challenging for them, especially in terms of the Reading Paper. SATs results make up just one small part of what we want our children here at Brize to leave with, we see the value in our unique children holistically and celebrate the journey they have been on, not just on their academic performance for one day; the resilience they showed and the ability to maintain positive throughout were a credit to them and the Falcon's staff team. Well done to all.

Last week also saw us come together as a school community for the colour run which was a huge success. We raised the best part of £2300. This will have a huge impact on the children's play opportunities - a HUGE thankyou once again for your support in sharing the JustGiving link. You will see attached a flyer for the Brize Norton BIG Help Out for Sunday, 4th June - please do come along if you can spare an hour or two as we wish to make a start on preparing the grounds. Behind the scenes, curriculum leaders have also been working hard at evaluating our curriculum provision across the school. There has been a lot of implementations this year and it is wonderful seeing the impact that these are having for the children. As well as looking through children's books and speaking with children, we have been sharing lessons and reflecting on what is working well and areas we can still develop. We are all having a huge push on handwriting and presentation now which is being led by Mrs El-Masri - developing children's pride in their work and valuing its purpose is crucial in developing self-esteem.

As we draw closer to the end of this term, we are now thinking to Term 6. There are more 'fun' things in the pipeline and I know after the success of the BNSA's disco, there are more events being planned by them also.

Many thanks for your continued support of the school.

Enjoy the weekend and the sunshine.

Robyn Jones
Headteacher

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SHINE Awards



We have had a busy couple of weeks. A small team of Year 4 children competed in a tennis tournament and a team of Year 5 children took part in a Quad kit athletic event, both at Burford School. Well done all of you for great effort and showing wonderful sportsmanship.

Also, Enid W has been selected as one of the winners of the Month of the Military Child creative competition in partnership with the Ministry of Defence! Well done and bravo! The judges were so impressed with her work and have invited her to a special presentation at the Ministry of Defence in London next month.

Attendance

Raising and improving attendance remains an important priority for us – please see the website for the NEW attendance policy.

Buccaneers 96.8%
Hurricanes 97.8%
Hercules 98.6 % - well done Hercules
Voyagers 98.1%
Falcons 97.9%

Children's News

The children in year 6 had a wonderful three days on their residential trip to the Pioneer centre in Kidderminster where they took part in many activities, including rock climbing, caving, raft building, zip lining, abseiling and trekking. Thank you to Mrs Rae and Mrs Edmunds for all their hard work whilst accompanying the children. More photos can be seen on the school website.



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Many thanks to **Brize Norton Parish Council** for providing all the children with a commemorative coronation coin; it was a very kind gesture and much appreciated.

YOU MOVE for families:

By signing up to YouMove, families will benefit from low cost or free fun activities including swimming, badminton, activity packs and a wide range of community activities in their local area. As well as being able to enjoy being active together, families will also be supported by local Activators in each district who will provide lots of advice, support and guidance on what's on offer. YouMove is funded by Oxfordshire County Council Public Health and co-ordinated by Active Oxfordshire, in partnership with district councils, leisure providers, local charities and community organisations, who play a key role in referring into YouMove and providing many of the community-based activities on offer. Find out more and how to get involved at www.getoxfordshireactive.org/you-move

Reminder: Mon 5th June is an inset day so staff only will be in school.

School Lunches: Many thanks to all those parents who continue to book lunches for their child. Please remember that packed lunches should also be logged onto Eduspot as well as a school meal.

Polite Notice: We have had several calls this week from neighbours complaining that cars are blocking their driveway or parked inconsiderately during drop off/collection times. We ask that parents park in the Elderbank hall or the Chequers pub car parks rather than the residential roads nearby.

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Dates for your Diary

22 May 3.30pm	Burford school meeting for parents of Yrs 4 & 5
23rd May, PM	U9 Quad Kids event at Burford School
29th-2nd June	Half Term
5th June	Inset Day - staff only in school
6th June	Vision screening for Reception
6th June	Year 3, First Swimming Lesson
16th June – all day	U11 cricket festival at Shipton under Wychwood
20th June – PM	U9 golf event at Burford
22nd June – AM	Class photos
28 June – PM	Yr 2 music festival
5th July – 3.30pm	New Rec families drop in session to Buccaneers
6th July – all day	Yr 6 induction day at Burford school & Carterton College
6th July – 6pm	New Rec parent meeting
7th July – all day	Yr 6 second induction days Shuffle up day for all other year groups inc new Rec children
13th July - time to be confirmed	Sports Day

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