



# Burlington Junior School

## Newsletter



### Tuesday 30th September 2025



Banksy - Mrs Cripps  
Kusama - Mrs Tal  
Riley - Miss Morgan  
Samba - Miss Golding



Carver – Mr Lawrence  
Goodall - Mrs Kreczman / Miss Henry  
Tesla - Miss Puvaneswara  
Turing – Mr Panesar



Jemison - Mr West  
Peake - Mr Kim  
Sharman - Miss Rolfe  
Wakata - Miss Duncombe/Mrs Harvey



Bloom - Miss Grinsted  
Eliot – Mrs Le Voir-Matthews /  
Miss Wightwick  
Silverstein - Mr Southren  
Zephaniah – Miss Harris

### A Message from the Headteacher:

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the new term, I can't believe we are already 4 weeks in! This is my 16th year as Headteacher at Burlington and each year never fails to bring new and exciting events that engage the children. We are all looking forward to the year ahead. Please see our Autumn date card [here](#), including when your child's class assembly is (some are scheduled for later in the year).

Keeping children safe advice is [here](#). Each September I remind parents to please check the recommended age for any apps or games your child might be using [here](#). Each year a disproportionate amount of time is spent by staff resolving disagreements that take pace out of school on devices. Primary school children should not use Instagram, Snapchat or WhatsApp (13+) or play Fortnite (13+). Roblox is only for 9+ children, but only if parental settings are accurately set. Please be aware that we expect parents to monitor any communication that children have with each other and take appropriate action if their child has been unkind or has breached online safety guidelines.

Please kindly remember that we are a mobile phone free site, especially in the mornings and at drop off. Please greet your child with a smile and ask them how their day has been and what new learning they have enjoyed.

It has been lovely to see how well the Year 3 children have settled in. We kindly ask Year 3 parents to complete a short survey [here](#) this week to let us know how well their child is doing, and to give us feedback on our transition procedures. We will also be sending out details about how to book a parents evening slot for the 21st or 22nd October to all our families.

Best wishes, Mrs Utting

Friday 3rd October	Peake Class Assembly 2.50pm Great Hall
Thursday 9th October 2.30pm	Nourish assembly/taste sessions for parents -
Friday 10th October	Eliot Class Assembly 2.50pm
Monday 13th October	Harvest Festival - donation for Dons Action Group
w/b 13th October	Diversity week
Friday 17th October	Monster Ball (time to be confirmed)
Friday 17th October	Bloom Class Assembly 2.50pm
Tuesday 21st October	Parents evening 4-7pm

### Key Dates for October:

Wednesday 22nd October	Parents evening 2-5pm
Friday 24th October	Wear it Pink - £2 for charity on Gateway
Friday 24th October	Half term 3.25pm finish

**Half term Monday 27th October – Friday 31st October**



# Meet Our House Captains...



Isabel  
Daniel



Sachin  
Aleksi



Arabella  
Helene



Sabrina  
Phoebe

Hi I'm **Isabel** - I'm a House Captain this year for Earth!! I love cats and I love to do anything to do with performing arts. I always like helping people and I'm so excited to have this job!!



My name is **Daniel** and I am in Earth house. My favourite subject is P.E and I want to be House Captain because I like writing newsletters. I am excited to write news about the school because I like using computers. I have two sisters, and my favourite sports are football and cricket. The football club I play for is Met police and the cricket club I play for is Malden Wanderers.

My name is **Sabrina** and I chose to apply for House Captain because I like sports and helping people and advising them about sports. I also wanted to represent Water house team. That's why I chose to apply for Year 6 House Captain.



Hello my name is **Phoebe** and I am House Captain for Water. My favourite subjects are Computing, English and History. I am looking forward to showing people around the school, interviewing people and WINNING Sports day and other competitions.

My name is **Sachin**. I'm in year 6 Eliot class and I've been chosen to be a House Captain for Air. Some things you might want about me include the following: I, like many others, love to play football because I have an amazing passion for it and use a lot of my free time enjoying the sport. The rush and fun I have when playing football is like nothing else.



Also, I really enjoy sketching and drawing because I find it very relaxing and calm. I use it as a nice, calming hobby when I don't want to do anything that involves a lot of energy.

Hello, I am **Aleksi** and I am now House Captain of Air House. I like sports and reading. My favourite subjects are Maths, PE and Computing. I am looking forward to attempting to win sports day and other competitions. Thank you.

My name is **Helene** and I am in Fire house. My favourite subject is English. I wanted to be House Captain because I like showing people around the school. I am excited to write newsletters because my favourite subject is English. I have two cats, one is called Boone and the other is called Eko.



**Arabella** - One reason that I think I am House Captain is because I know that I am very kind and caring and that I'm always happy to help.

Another reason is because I will make sure that I'm a good role model for the school, and I'm not afraid to try new things.

My final point is that I think that I'm House Captain because I think that I am good at English, so I'll be extremely proud and happy to participate in our school newsletter.

Overall I am very pleased to be presented with the role of House Captain.



# We Are Super Learners...

## 144 Club - Our New Members

Congratulations to our children who have become members of the 144 Club this month after working hard on their multiplication and division facts.

A big 'well done' to :

**Year 4** - Alfred, Almeda, Charlotte K, Ephraim, Ibraheem J, Scarlett T

**Year 5** - Aarav, Adam D, Akshara, Aran S, Ashnavi, Charlotte L, Daniel K, Deveena, Erica W, Esther, Idris, Isabella H, Jack O (Peake), Jessica, Judy Ani, Livia, Mae D, Max, Otto, Samjuktha, Wissam, Younha, Zarah K

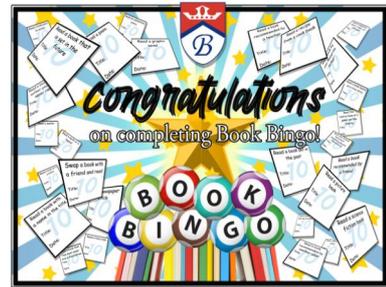
**Year 6** - Aleks, Alice H, Arlind, Ava, Denise, Dharun, Eleanor, Elif, Elsa, Emma T, Harri, Hayden, Heike, Hojoon, Ian, Ilayda, Isabella V, Jackson, Neha, Nivaan, Phoebe McC, Riley, Sachin, Sadaf, Samuel, Stella, Sulaiman, Yireh, Zahra, Ziad



## Book Bingo

Children who complete their Book Bingo in their diaries receive certificates from Mrs Utting and their name in the newsletter.

Well done to **Erica** and **Jay** in Year 3 who completed their Book Bingo



## Things To Try Before You Leave Burlington

In pupils' reading diaries, and on the [school website](#), children can find a list of things to try before they leave Burlington Junior School. These lists contain a range of tasks which aim to deepen children's understanding of the world around them, support pupils in developing positive attitudes and challenge them to read a variety of texts.

Children who complete this receive a special diamond award from Mrs Utting for completing all the tasks.

Well done to **Casey** who has already completed his Things to Do in Year 3. He has received his award from Mrs Utting.





## Support for SEND Parents



**SEND Parent Champions**  
**Kingston and Richmond**

Contact your SEND Parent  
Champion by email

SCAN HERE



[sendparentchampions@achievingforchildren.org.uk](mailto:sendparentchampions@achievingforchildren.org.uk)  
(Please type "FAO LINDA NYSTROM" in the subject)

### What can your SEND Parent Champion do for you?

Connect you with other SEND parents,  
Signpost you to the SEND information that you need,  
Share information with you about local charities,  
SEND support group and events, and much more!  
So please get in touch.



Scan here to find out more about SEND Parent Champions.  
This will link to the local offer website page:  
<https://kr.afcinfo.org.uk/pages/local-offer/information-and-advice/participation-and-involvement-activities/send-parent-and-carer-engagement-team/send-parent-champions>

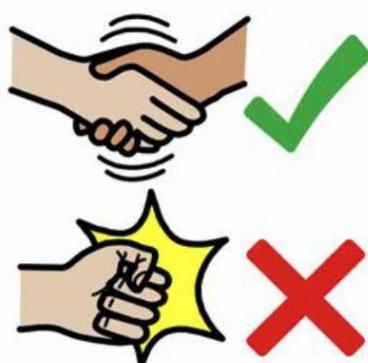
---

## Pre and Post Diagnosis SEND Support Team

---

### Behaviours that challenge workshop

A session to develop your understanding, and practical ideas to support you and your child at home



Behaviours that  
challenge

During the workshop we will cover:

What is challenging behaviour?

How to identify triggers.

Practical strategies to support your child's challenging behaviour.

You have been invited to a workshop below:

Burlington School in Great Hall

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2025**

**9.15am to 11.15am**

## Help children get a healthy start to the new school year by ensuring they are up to date with all their routine vaccinations

When your child starts or returns to school, they will have increased contact with other children. If they are not up to date with their routine immunisations, they may be at risk of catching preventable diseases, including measles, whooping cough, meningitis, diphtheria and polio.

Please check that your child is fully up to date with their routine immunisations before they start or return to school. You can check if your child is up to date with immunisations by checking their Red Book or contacting your GP surgery. For a full checklist of vaccines and when they should be given visit - [NHS vaccinations and when to have them](#).

- Immunising primary school children- [Postcard](#)

Immunising pre-secondary school children- [Postcard](#)

### [#AskAboutAsthma campaign \(NHS led\)](#)

This NHS [campaign](#) aims to raise awareness about asthma including: [getting an asthma plan in place](#); asthma care (short videos); and [how air pollution can trigger asthma attacks](#).

Parent/carers can get [free air pollution alerts](#) from [AirText](#) to be prepared for increased asthma attacks after the summer holiday.

See the [online schedule](#) for free daily webinars, podcasts, videos and blogs.

## Non-Uniform Days

Throughout the year, children may be invited to participate in non-uniform days as part of a whole school event or fundraiser. On these dates, children do not need to wear their school uniform to school. Pupils are instead able to choose what to wear; however, the following guidelines should be adhered to:

- Pupils should wear safe and appropriate footwear to participate in break and lunchtimes (no flip-flops or heeled shoes/sandals).
- Clothing should not contain any slogans or wording that may cause offence to others.
- Pupils should not wear cropped tops, ensuring that their midriff is covered and their top meets the waistline of their skirt, shorts or trousers.
- Skirts and shorts should be of a reasonable length if they are not worn with tights or leggings.



# Burlington Infant & Nursery School

## Nursery Places available to start NOW



### Spaces available for:

- 3 year old Part Time nursery
- 3 year old Full Time nursery (Funded or Paid For places)

Your child must already have turned 3 on or before 31 Aug 2025.

To find out more, please email on [admissions@burlingtoni.org.uk](mailto:admissions@burlingtoni.org.uk)



Artsmark  
Gold Award  
Awarded by Arts  
Council England



# Other news...



## Secondary School Applications

If you have a child in year 6 and need information on applying for their secondary school place, all of the info can be found on our website

<https://www.burlingtonj.kingston.sch.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=5312&type=pdf>

## Harvest Festival

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> October** is our Harvest Festival. We would be very grateful for donations for Dons Local Action Group.  
Thank you.



## Birthdays

We know that children love to celebrate their birthdays in school but we do not allow them to bring in sweets for their class. If you would like to donate a book to our library instead we would very much appreciate this.  
Thank you.



## **Burlington Junior Governor Vacancy**

**Give a little time, make a big difference**

We are looking for volunteers to join our Governing Body and help us continue to make our school the very best it can be. Being a governor is a rewarding way to support children's education and bring your skills to benefit the whole school community. Whether your background is in finance, HR, law, education, business, or community work – or you simply have enthusiasm and commitment – we'd love to hear from you! Full training and support are provided. If you're interested, please contact [clerk@burlingtonjunior.org](mailto:clerk@burlingtonjunior.org) or visit our website

For further information please visit our website at <https://www.burlingtonj.kingston.sch.uk/page/?title=Governor+Vacancy&pid=225>

## Year 3 Transition Survey

We would be very grateful if new Year 3 parents could kindly complete the short transition survey linked below. We value the feedback so that we can make the transition as smooth as possible for you and your children.

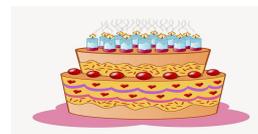
<https://forms.gle/mzAFaSmbCBzJYrBp8>

## News from the BSA



**Monster Ball Disco - Friday 18th October 6pm - 8pm**

To contact the BSA - [info.burlingtonpta@gmail.com](mailto:info.burlingtonpta@gmail.com)  
or  
[www.facebook.com/BurlingtonSchoolsAssociation](https://www.facebook.com/BurlingtonSchoolsAssociation)



**Cake Sale - Friday 10th October - Year 5**

**Please bring your cakes into school in the morning and leave them at the school office. Cakes will be on sale at the end of the school day**

## Governor News!

We are delighted to welcome Mrs. Sarah Finch as the new Chair of Governors and Mrs. Mariam Uteem as Vice Chair in a supporting role.

We would also like to extend our sincere thanks to Mr. Steven Arbuthnot and Mr. Stefan Bown for their dedication and commitment in carrying out these roles over the years. They will both continue to support the board in their Governor roles.

## BJS Safeguarding Leads

**Mrs Pip Utting:** Headteacher, Designated Safeguarding Lead  
**Mr Matt Blow:** Deputy Headteacher, Deputy Safeguarding Lead  
**Mrs Caroline Case:** Assistant Headteacher and Inclusion Leader, Deputy Safeguarding Lead  
**Ms Deborah Capon:** Family Liaison Officer, Deputy Safeguarding Lead, Young Carers Lead  
**Miss Lucy Duncombe:** Class Teacher, Assistant SENCO, Deputy Safeguarding Lead  
**Mrs Natalie Yendole:** Assistant Headteacher, Deputy Safeguarding Lead  
**Governors**  
**Rebecca Campbell:** Safeguarding Governor

# And Finally...



## Is my child too ill for school?

It can be tricky deciding whether or not to keep your child off school, nursery or playgroup when they're unwell. If you are unsure you can check the NHS guidelines here:

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>



Sign up today to #easyfundraising and raise free donations when you shop online with over 8,000 retailers. All the big names like eBay, Argos, Marks and Spencer, John Lewis & Partners, Etsy, Tesco and Just Eat are ready to donate. Join today and they could win a £100 bonus donation:

<https://join.easyfundraising.org.uk/burlingtonjuniors/w7d94g/s2s/FZ9Up2Ac/SE870/facebook/>

**NOURISH** GROW WITH US

# FOOD TASTER FOR PARENTS!

You are invited to come and taste some of the delicious food your children have for lunch from our new menu. This will also give you the opportunity to ask Nourish any questions or give any feedback.

The food taster is at **2.30pm on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> October** in the Great Hall.

We look forward to meeting you all.

**TASTE THE COLOURS OF THE RAINBOW!**

CONTACT US office@nourishccc.co.uk www.nourishcontractcatering.co.uk T 020 8778 1111

## Parent Rep Meeting

At the beginning of each academic year, a parent or carer (or two) from each class volunteer as a class representative.

Class representatives are a useful form of contact between the class teacher and the parents and carers. We ask them to set up a class WhatsApp group and help with useful reminders for others. These reminders can include things such as PE days, trips and assemblies, non-uniform days and other useful pieces of information.

We will be having a meeting to welcome all class representatives after half term in the newly refurbished Victorian block. We will notify you of the date nearer the time.

We look forward to meeting class representatives at the meeting; if you're not sure what being a class rep involves, do come along to the meeting to find out more.

## Playground Equipment

We kindly ask that children do not use the playground equipment at the end of the day. This applies to Junior and Infant children and younger siblings.

## School Meals

Parents and Carers are welcome to join their child for lunch on their birthday or for a special occasion. To book please inform Mrs Rogan in the office on [parent@burlingtonjunior.org](mailto:parent@burlingtonjunior.org) with at least **48 hours'** notice. The cost is £2.70. We look forward to seeing you.