

# Burghill Community Academy

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# The Burghill Community Times

Newsletter – Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2019

## Apple Class

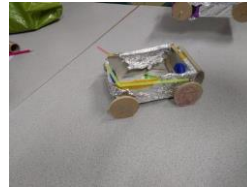
Apple Class made some super reindeer decorations at Forest School.



Our super Diwali lanterns looked fantastic!

## Beech Class

Our moon buggies look absolutely amazing! We chose our resources and all used a saw to cut our axels to size. We also used the glue gun as it was stronger than our paper glue.



We enjoyed making festive trees in preparation for our instruction writing today.



## Class News

### Willow Class

Willow finished their Bruce Bogtrotter diary entries, they have worked super hard and we celebrated by sharing are writing with each other. Well done Willow Class!



### Sycamore Class

As we finish Unit 3 of our Power Maths, we're working with our friends to go back and tackle mistakes we've made in our work or have a go at questions we didn't get around to answering.



We have been studying the work of Victorian artist William Morris before attempting our own drawings inspired by him.

# Message from the Headteacher

Dear parents and carers,

I didn't manage to get a head count at this morning's assembly...but I think it must have been a bumper amount of parents joining us, which was lovely to see. Hopefully the new class 'show and tell' is proving popular and nice to see some of the things the children do, that you don't normally get to see!

It is very busy with hordes of things going on! I look forward to seeing lots of you at the Christingle next week, along with the Festive Fun event. Please if you do have time this weekend to help with the bag packing...I know the FABs team will be grateful for the help!

Best wishes,  
Alex Davies

## Notices and all the other 'stuff'!

### Sport

A huge well done to our tag rugby team who beat Stretton Sugwas 15-9 in the Mr. Davies Derby on Wednesday. It means the team have gone the whole of 2019 unbeaten in normal-time, with the team's last defeat (not including the controversial TagFest final result) coming all the way back in May 2018! That's such a fantastic achievement for a small school like us and a big thank you must go to our coach Dave Thomas for all the hard work he puts in with the team.



### Christingle Service

On Wednesday 11th December we will be holding our Christingle Service at St Mary's the Virgin Church, Burghill. This will take place at 6.30p.m. and will be approximately an hour long. All the children are taking part in this year's event, so please come along and support them.

Important information:

Please send an orange (no Satsumas) into school no later than Monday 9th December, so that your child can make a Christingle for the service on Wednesday. The fruit and sweets will be provided by the school. Your child will need to be at the church on Wednesday 11th December at 8:45am for rehearsals. Members of staff will be there to meet them. (If possible please pop any heavy bags into school for them, it will save them carrying them on the way back!) They will walk back to school after the rehearsal with the rest of the school. This will be at approximately 10.45 a.m. (Apple Class will be transported by minibus.)

Could all children be in church by 6.15 p.m. on the Wednesday evening, so that we can make a prompt start to the service. Costumes for the service are kept to a minimum, so unless otherwise asked children are requested to wear their school uniforms. All shoulder length or longer hair must be tied back in a ponytail/plait please.

## READING

As a school, we have decided to award your child a raffle ticket every time they read to an adult at home. Ideally, your child should read for a minimum of 20 minutes a day, although a shorter time period may be needed for the youngest members of the school. It is a well-known fact that if you become a confident and fluent reader, all other aspects of learning will become easier. Plus, reading in itself is a wonderful hobby for children and adults to enjoy. Please do encourage your child to read regularly – they can show their signed reading record when they arrive in class in the morning and collect their raffle ticket straight away.

### Diary Dates

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December**  
Co-Op bag packing  
**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December**  
Christingle service 6pm  
**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December**  
Apple Class parents Christmas picnic 11:15am – 12pm  
**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December**  
Christmas Fayre 3:15pm – 5pm  
**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December**  
KS1 – Courtyard trip – The Elves and The Shoemaker  
KS2 – Cinema Trip  
**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December**  
Christmas Party  
End of Term  
**Autumn Term Dates**  
Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November – Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2019.  
**Spring Term**  
Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April  
**Half Term**  
Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2020