

Parent Forum

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2024



Burford
Primary School

'Respect, Aspire, Achieve'

Feedback fro the July Parent Survey

What do you LOVE about Burford Primary School?

- Care and knowledge of each child, capacity/size of school and classes, activities and trips available.
- My daughter getting the support and help she needs
- Small & friendly ; Sense of pride with uniform & house token system ; lovely outdoor space
- Friendly atmosphere
- Small class sizes, the community feel, opportunities for trips and connection with the secondary school.
- Committed staff, lovely opportunities for my children e.g trips, staff are approachable.
- communication , friendliness and happiness
- I feel A is really cared for; I get the impression that everyone knows A really well; you have supported her in really succeeding academically this year.
- Open door approach to communication. Clear ethos and culture on child centred approach to the curriculum. The school is beginning to feel more part of the community again, which is really important to us.
- My children seem happy in school; there is a nice outdoor area;

The staff: an amazing team of individuals that really do know our children and go above and beyond for them;

The leadership: the school has been through some turbulent times, but you now have the 'dream team' in place and it really does work.

Holly is fantastic as Head of School, she's trusted by the children and families as she knows them all and has been a part of the school for so long, Rachel has brought an energy to the school and very clear direction that the staff, pupils and community have really bought into.

Pastoral care: I cannot praise this enough. For such a small school to have the approach and resources that Burford does, is outstanding. I really feel that concerns are listened to and dealt with immediately. The pupil support on offer has been invaluable and has made both my child and myself feel very supported. Lovely teachers, clean school all round and my daughter coming home happy from a fun day at school

The Staff. Supportive environment for both pupils and parents. Relaxed, friendly and Caring feel to the school.

Have you any suggestions you would like to tell us to improve our practice - we aim to be 'Burford Best'

None at all! My children are both happy and thriving 😊

Nothing

Clearer information on home work policies

Would like to see Class Dojo used for weekly photo updates

Keep doing what you're doing - you're all amazing!

Clone Mrs Docherty, she is a godsend

Can see this happening already which is great, but more opportunities to take part in events with other local schools

Communication could be better.

-We love the school and our children are really happy! Thank you for all working so hard to make school a happy place to be.

-Minor suggestions- Dates at least a term in advance would help working parents Reading/home learning of key skills should be encouraged/checked more frequently. Reading records and x table practice for example.

-Trips mapped across the school- year 3 seem to have been missed and this is such a shame for them.

-Staffing updates would be great; new staff join but parents aren't told who they are and website isn't up to date so we can't find out for ourselves.

-Clearer understanding of the roles of Head of School and Exec Head. What should be going to HoS and what should be going to Exec Head if we have a concern for example?

-Clarity over the roles of each from a parents perspective would be really helpful.
-I don't like the new homework system which is largely focused on maths (and reading).

Suggestions from parents

- More social events
- More transition opportunities for EYFS
- More clubs
- Clearer approach to homework
- Possible opening of the big gate and not the one way system
- Ideas for fundraising
- Teachers to write in the reading records more frequently