

Burwell Village College Primary School The Causeway Burwell Cambridgeshire CB25 0DU

Headteacher: Mr Antony Kern

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2024

### **Reception Starters September 2024-2025**

### Dear Parent/Carer

Welcome to Burwell Village College. We are really happy that you have chosen our school and recognise what an important decision this is for parents. We are a school that believes in the highest standards and expectations for ourselves and our pupils at the same time as wanting children to enjoy their time at school developing good social, communication and academic skills.

The school has been through a series of changes in the past few years, including a fantastic new building housing twelve of our classrooms and a linked bespoke Reception provision. The children have access to two school halls, a large outdoor space specifically for Reception, a large school field, playgrounds, astro turf and a sports hall.

I have been Headteacher here for four years and I can confidently say that Burwell is a very special place to work and to learn. As a school we believe in working with parents to support children to engage in learning and to make as much use of their time at school as possible. We want school to be the best experience for all children and know that the foundations of their whole school experience starts with us and our relationships with you and them. We are really looking forward to working with you over the next seven years.

We have arranged for specific times to meet with you and to give your child a chance to experience what school is like and meet some of the children who will become their friends.

### Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2024 17.30 p.m. – 19.00 p.m. Information Evening

We would like to invite you to an information evening regarding the school and Reception. This will be a chance for us to share with you some curriculum information, some basic school requirements and give you a tour of the school if you have not managed to see it in person already. We hope this will also give you a chance to ask any questions you have about the school and Reception in particular.

### Thursday 13th June 2024 9.30 a.m. – 11.00 a.m. or 13.15 p.m. – 14.45 p.m. Class Visit

You will be offered either a morning or an afternoon time for your child to attend the school and meet with the staff. This will be very informal and give children a chance to explore the classrooms and meet some of the children they will be in a class with. Wherever possible, we ask that parents leave children as soon as possible, preferably just dropping them off with their teacher.

## W/C Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2024 1:1 Teacher Meetings

You will be offered a time to meet with the teaching team to share information about your child. This will mean that we can ensure there are activities and resources available that will interest your child from their first day. We can also discuss existing friendships, interests or concerns and ensure that the transition into school is as smooth as possible. It is advisable, where possible, to meet the teachers without children present. Please telephone the school office to arrange an appointment (01638 613103).

Email: office@burwellvillage.cambs.sch.uk

Website: www.burwellvillageprimary.co.uk

Burwell Village College Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

# Thursday 11th July 2024 9.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m. Class Visit and Lunch

This will be an opportunity to spend the morning with the whole of Reception. We will include a lunchtime in this so that children have an idea of how the lunch hall works. A school lunch can be provided free of charge or please feel free to bring a packed lunch. If your child has any food allergies, unfortunately on this occasion we cannot offer them lunch but will have any information processed ready for September. We would like you to join us as well if you can and we can provide you with lunch for £3.50. Further information to follow.

We look forward to seeing you and being part of your child's education for the next few years. If you have any questions or queries please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Kind regards

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Mr Antony Kern Headteacher