



Brent Knoll Primary School Newsletter

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Under the guidance of SASP's games organiser, Alex Caird, our Y6 girls (photo above) spent Friday afternoon learning about leadership in sports. The girls not only learnt about officiating at football matches, but how they could improve their own leadership and communication skills. Some of the girls were quite keen to follow this training up, not least as they heard that even at a local level you can become a referee from the age of 14 – and get a match fee!

With 'Storm Bert' forcing a late change of plans to the Christmas lights 'switch-on' in Burnham last Saturday, the school choir (photo below) joined other groups to perform their festive songs inside the Ritz Social Club. The children took to the stage with no sign of nerves and did a fantastic job to an appreciative audience. Thanks go to Mrs Stockham for running the choir club and to parents for bringing the children out on a very windy and wet day. Choir photo comes courtesy of Burnham-on-Sea.Com: <https://www.burnham-on-sea.com/news/photos-itv-west-newsreader-alex-lovell-switches-on-burnham-on-sea-christmas-lights/>



Dear Parents/Carers In our 'Star of the Week' assembly yesterday, it was lovely to see so many children being recognised for their great writing. All the classes have been working hard on their writing skills, but the success of this subject really relies on children reading, so please do encourage your children to enjoy a book each day. With that in mind, the parents and carers of Russet Class are being welcomed back into the classroom at 2.45pm next Wednesday to enjoy a group read. Mince pies will be served, should an extra incentive be required! Kind regards Chris Burman

It was terrific to read about former Brent Knoll pupil, Isla, on Burnham on Sea.Com this week. (<https://www.burnham-on-sea.com/news/young-burnham-triathlon-star-isa-doesnt-let-cystic-fibrosis-stop-her-from-racing-hard-and-fast/>) Isla remains a wonderful role model to all, reminding us that life's challenges can be met head on - and overcome. Isla left us last year to attend King Alfred's, though she has already been back as a volunteer; such is her enthusiasm for everything.

Diary Dates

Wednesday 18th December

Pre-school Carols Around the Christmas Tree at 3.30pm

KS1 Nativity at 2pm (village hall)

KS2 Christingle: 6.30pm (church)

End of Term: Friday 19th December

Current overall school attendance is **96.9%**, which is still above the national average. Well done to all, especially those who have maintained a 100% attendance since September.