



Burradon Community Primary School



Tuesday 6th May 2025

Dear Parents / Carers

1) Weekly Attendance update

Below are the individual class attendance figures for last week. The Government expectation is 96% and this should be the minimum that we are all aiming for this year!!

Attendance for Monday 28th April 2025 – Friday 2nd May 2025

<u>Year Group</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Year 6	82%
Year 4/5	97.9%
Year 3/4	98.5%
Year 2	88.3%
Year 1	94.1%
FS2 (Ladybirds)	100%

Last week, we had 3 classes above 96% which is the national expectation. Our FS2 class had 100% attendance – well done!! The average attendance from Y1-Y6 was 92.2% which is well below our 96% target. Not a good week – hopefully this week will be better across the whole school and for particular classes.

2) Shorts

With the weather being warmer recently, I had a couple of questions last week about shorts. Shorts are part of our school uniform and children are welcome to wear shorts in school. These can be grey or black shorts. The checked gingham shorts in blue or yellow are also another option for the children and I have been advised that these are on sale in many of the usual supermarkets.

<u>School Uniform</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • White or yellow polo shirt • Royal blue sweatshirt • Grey or black trousers • Grey or black skirt • Blue or yellow checked dress (in summer) • Grey or black shorts (in summer) • Gingham shorts in blue or yellow (summer only) • Black shoes



3) Black Shoes and sandals

With the warmer weather, we are happy to slightly relax the shoe rule to enable children to **wear sandals** if they choose to. May we remind parents that these should be a suitable **dark colour (black if possible)** and height (no high heels or bright colours).

If your child is not wearing the slight changes to the rules to accommodate sandals for the warmer weather, then they **must wear black shoes** for school as this is part of our uniform expectations.

4) Year 6 SATs (End of Key Stage 2)

Our Year 6 pupils will be sitting their end of Key Stage 2 SATs next week. They have all worked extremely hard this year and across their key stage 2 phase. We know they will continue to do their best and will all be amazing next week!! Good luck Year 6 – we are all very proud of you!!

5) Increase to school meal process from 1st September 2025

When we return to school after the summer holidays, there will be an increase in the price of a school meal. Current meal prices are £2.60 per day, and this will remain until we finish school in July. From 1st September 2025, meal prices will be £2.70 per day which is an increase of 10p.

We have had a very successful first year with Hutchison Catering and have received lots of positive comments about the menus and the food itself across the year.

6) Water bottles in school

With the hot weather, it is really important that all children have a water bottle in school so they can re-hydrate on a regular basis in school. Staff will continue to encourage the children to drink regularly including if they have milk in school.

A polite reminder that there should only be water in children's water bottles which they access in the classroom. We have seen an increase in juice being brought into school. This should only be in a child's packed lunch bottle and not in their water bottle.

7) And finally... a new arrival!

I am delighted to tell parents / carers that Miss Watts gave birth to a baby boy last week. Both mother and son are doing well, and I am sure you will join with us in sending our best wishes and congratulations to Miss Watts and her partner on their first arrival.

Yours Sincerely

A.L.Hunter

Miss A.L. Hunter
Headteacher



Upcoming events at Burradon Community Primary School

Letters for events and activities below, where appropriate, will follow.

5 th May	<u>School closed for Bank Holiday Monday</u>
6 th May	9am – Burradon Helpers' meeting
7 th May	North Tyneside Parent Forum Session (1:45pm – 2:45pm)
12 th May	<u>Key Stage 2 (Year 6) SATs week</u>
21 st May	Y3/4 visit to Newcastle University for Coding Enrichment (afternoon)
22 nd May	Whickham Thorns Outdoor Activities Centre visit for Y6 (extended day) (Y6: 8:15am into school and back to school at 4pm)
26 th May	<u>School closes at end of today for May half term holidays</u>
2 nd June	<u>Teacher Training Day 4 (school closed to all pupils)</u>
3 rd June	<u>School re-opens after May half term holidays</u>
4 th June	North Tyneside Parent Forum Session (1:45pm – 2:45pm)
6 th June	Y2 Skipping Festival at The Lakeside (afternoon)
16 th June	National School Sports Week
16 th June	EYFS (Reception and Nursery) sports day at 9:30am (main school field)
17 th June	Y3/4 Newcastle History trip (all day)
17 th June	Year 5 and Year 6 (Upper Key Stage 2) sports day at 2:30pm (main school field)
18 th June	Year 1 and Year 2 (Key Stage 1) sports day at 2:30pm (main school field)
19 th June	Y4/5 Newcastle History trip (all day)
20 th June	Year 3 and Year 4 (Lower Key Stage 2) sports day at 2:30pm (main school field)
23 rd June	EYFS trip to Cullercoats (all day)
24 th June	9am – Burradon Helpers' meeting
25 th June	Phototronics taking class photographs in school (morning)
July	Transition visits to a range of secondary schools will take place for our Year 6 pupils across July. Secondary schools will be contacting parents / carers with details
3 rd July	Y6 trip to Alnwick Gardens (all day)
7 th July	Y6 transition day for pupils going to North Gosforth Academy (Day 1)
8 th July	Y6 transition day for pupils going to North Gosforth Academy (Day 2)
16 th July	9:30am – Year 6 leavers assembly for parents / carers of children in Y6
17 th July	Burradon's Got Talent (pm)
18 th July	<u>School closes at end of today for summer holidays</u>



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