



Burradon Community Primary School



Monday 3rd November 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 20th October – Thursday 16th October

<u>Year Group</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Year 5/6	96.2%
Year 4/5	97.1%
Year 3	98.5%
Year 2	96.6%
Year 1	96.3%
FS2 (Ladybirds)	96.3%

Last week we had all 6 classes above 96% which is our expectation – amazing achievement! The average attendance from Y1-Y6 was 96.9% which is slightly above our 96% target.

2) Wear odd socks for anti-bullying

Monday 10th November sees the start of Anti Bullying week and the ongoing message that we all need to work together to stop bullying. On Monday 10th November as part of ‘Odd Socks Day’, we would like to encourage all children to come to school wearing a pair of odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique and individual.

3) Anti-bullying week and assembly

Anti-Bullying week starts on Monday 10th November with the theme of ‘Power for Good.’ Across this week, all classes will be involved in activities linked to Anti-Bullying week as well as being reminded about our Anti Bullying policy (child friendly version) and the choices that they make to keep themselves and others safe.

Unfortunately, with the halls being closed we are unable to hold our annual Anti-Bullying assembly this year. Staff will ensure that work completed by their class is shared with parents / carers, through our seesaw app, by Friday 14th November 2025.

4) Children in Need

Friday 14th November is Children in Need Fundraising day. The children have asked to come to school in non-uniform or pyjamas on this day and to bring in a suggested £1



donation for this worthwhile cause. Can I ask parents to ensure that their child also has a warm coat with them and a pair of shoes (slippers with pyjamas can be worn in school but outdoor shoes are needed!) as the weather is definitely getting colder? Many thanks.

5) Parent / Carer Questionnaire

On behalf of the staff and Governors, may I thank all of the parents / carers who took the time to complete our annual parent / carer questionnaire? At the end of deadline on Thursday 23rd October, we had received 60 responses (not all complete) which have been used to complete the results. Any additional questionnaires received after the deadline cannot be used in the results but will be kept in the folder for this year.

The questionnaires were overwhelmingly positive and supportive of the school and our work. We also received some lovely comments in the box provided linked to the work of the school. Below is the overview results table from the questionnaires received.

The 60 responses are a huge increase in responses as we had 35 responses last year. Thank you for taking the time to complete our questionnaire. Once again many thanks for your support – the education of our children is a real team effort at our school.

Parent / Carer Questionnaire October 2025 Results

	(please tick)	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Don't know
1. My child is happy at Burradon Community Primary School. (60 responses)		78% (47 responses)	22% (13 responses)	--	--	--
2. My child feels safe at Burradon Community Primary School (60 responses)		80% (48 responses)	20% (12 responses)	--	--	--
3. The school makes sure its pupils are well behaved. (60 responses)		73% (44 responses)	27% (16 responses)	--	--	--
4. My child has been bullied and the school dealt with the bullying quickly and effectively. (57 responses)		7% (4 responses)	5% (3 responses)	--	--	My child has not been bullied 88% (50 responses)
5. The school makes me aware of what my child will learn during the year. (59 responses)		73% (43 responses)	27% (16 responses)	--	--	--



6. When I have raised concerns with the school they have been dealt with properly. (59 responses)	51% (30 responses)	20% (12 responses)	--	--	I have not raised any concerns 29% (17 responses)
7. Does your child have special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND)? (Yes or No - please circle) (57 responses)	Yes 25% (14 responses)		No 75% (43 responses)		
<u>If you answered yes to question 7 above, how strongly do you agree with this statement</u> 'My child has SEND and the school gives them the support they need to succeed.' (13 responses)	70% (9 responses)	31% (4 responses)	--	--	--
8. The school has high expectations for my child. (60 responses)	73% (44 responses)	22% (13 responses)	2% (1 response)	--	3% (2 responses)
9. My child does well at this school. (59 responses)	76% (45 responses)	20% (12 responses)	--	--	3% (2 responses)
10. The school lets me know how my child is doing. (59 responses)	78% (46 responses)	22% (13 responses)	--	--	--
11. There is a good range of subjects available to my child at this school. (59 responses)	80% (47 responses)	19% (11 responses)	--	--	2% (1 response)
12. My child can take part in clubs and activities at this school. (58 responses)	79% (46 responses)	16% (9 responses)	2% (1 response)	--	3% (2 responses)
13. The school supports my child's wider personal development. (58 responses)	79% (46 responses)	21% (12 responses)	--	--	--
14. I would recommend Burradon Community Primary School to another parent. (Yes or No - please circle) (59 responses)	Yes 100% (59 responses)		No --		

6) Mrs Hunter

At the end of the first half term, Mrs Hunter successfully gained employment outside of teaching to start during November. Mrs Hunter has been working in our Year 3 class this academic year. Mrs Hunter's last day with Burradon will be Friday 7th November. I am sure you will join with us in wishing Mrs Hunter the best of luck in her new challenge.



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.

- 3rd November **School re-opens after half term holiday**
- 4th November Phonics meeting for FS2 (Reception) parents
- 5th November Y3 visit to the Hindu temple in Newcastle
- 5th November Vet visiting EYFS to talk about their job as part of 'People who help us.'
- 6th November Refuse Collectors visiting EYFS to talk about their job as part of 'People who help us.'
- 7th November Individual and immediate family photographs being taken in school
- 10th November Odd socks for Anti-Bullying week
- 10th November Anti-Bullying week 'Power for Good' theme
- 10th November World Nursery Rhyme week
- 11th November Northumbria Police 'Internet and Us' sessions for Year 5 and Year 6
- 11th November 9am – Nursery Rhyme session for parents / carers of FS1 (Nursery) Pupils
- 11th November School Council attending a Remembrance Day Service with Miss Hunter at Killingworth Jigsaw memorial
- 14th November Non-uniform or pyjamas for Children in Need
- 14th November 9am – Nursery Rhyme session for parents / carers of FS2 (Reception) Pupils
- 26th November 9am – Burradon Helper's meeting
- 19th November Y3 trip to Woodhorn Colliery (all day)
- 24th November Y4/5 and Y5/6 at Whickham Thorns Outdoor Centre (all day)
- 25th November White Ribbon Day
- 26th November Librarian visiting EYFS to talk about their job as part of 'People who help us.'
- 27th November Y3 at Whickham Thorns Outdoor Centre (all day)
- 15th December EYFS, including Pre-School, Christmas party (morning)
- 15th December Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas parties (afternoon)



17th December Year 3 and Year 4/5 Christmas parties (afternoon)
18th December Year 5/6 Christmas party (afternoon)
19th December **School closes at end of today for Christmas holidays**
5th January **Teacher Training Day 3 (school closed to all pupils)**
6th January **School re-opens after Christmas holidays**

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