



Burradon Community Primary School



Monday 24th 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 17th November – Friday 21st November

| <u>Year Group</u> | <u>Attendance</u> |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| Year 5/6 | 91.5% |
| Year 4/5 | 97.3% |
| Year 3 | 95.2% |
| Year 2 | 94.8% |
| Year 1 | 88% |
| FS2 (Ladybirds) | 91.4% |

Last week we had 1 class above 96% which is our expectation. The average attendance from Y1-Y6 was 93.4% which is well below our 96% target.

2) RNLI Visit to our Early Years

Last week, our EYFS had a visit from Martin Lightfoot who is a water safety volunteer for the RNLI. He came into our foundation stage to talk about his role for the RNLI and to show the children some videos and answer their questions.

After his visit, Martin emailed to school to say 'It was a pleasure. Very nice group of children. A credit to you and the other members of staff. Happy to come across any time.'

Well done, Early Years. Lovely feedback from a visitor!

3) Christmas holidays

Children will break up for the Christmas holidays on Friday 19th December 2025. Children will return to school on Tuesday 6th January 2026.

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.

- 24th November Y4/5 and Y5/6 at Whickham Thorns Outdoor Centre (all day)
- 25th November Y1 and Y2 at Whickham Thorns Outdoor Centre (all day)
- 25th November White Ribbon Day (Theme: We Speak Up)
- 26th November 9am – Burradon Helper’s meeting
- 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)
- 2nd December Y2 attending online science festive farming quest workshop
- 12th December EYFS Polar Express Day
- 15th December EYFS, including Pre-School, Christmas party (morning)
- 15th December Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas parties (afternoon)
- 16th December EYFS Pantomime ‘Clumsiest Elf’ at Fordley Primary (am)
- 16th December KS1 and KS2 Pantomime ‘Agent Frostbite’ at Fordley Primary (pm)
- 17th December Year 3 and Year 4/5 Christmas parties (afternoon)
- 18th December Year 5/6 Christmas party (afternoon)
- 19th December Pre-School ‘Night before Christmas’ morning
- 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**
- 15th January Year 6 Safety Works visit (am)
- 2nd February Year 2 skipping training (afternoon)
- 10th February Safer Internet Day ‘Smart Tech Safe Choices – Exploring the safe and responsible use of AI’
- 13th February **School closes at end of today for February half term holidays**
- 23rd February **School re-opens after February half term holidays**
- 9th March STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) week
- 13th March High Borrans Residential weekend (for pupils in Y5 and Y6 who have signed up to go)
- 16th March High Borrans pupils return to school (mid-afternoon)

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