



Burradon Community Primary School



Monday 2nd March 2026

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 23rd February – Friday 27th February

<u>Year Group</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Year 5/6	96.4%
Year 4/5	94.6%
Year 3	91.6%
Year 2	96.2%
Year 1	93.2%
FS2 (Ladybirds)	97.6%

Last week we had 3 classes above 96% which is our expectation. The average attendance from Y1-Y6 was 94.4% which is well below our 96% target. Hopefully with the warmer weather we are currently having, our attendance figures will improve next week.

2) Parent / Teacher Nights

A reminder that parent / teacher nights take place this week on Tuesday 3rd March and Wednesday 4th March. Many thanks for booking your appointment slot through our APP. We look forward to seeing you this week!

3) World Book Day

It is World Book Day on Thursday 5th March. The theme this year is '**Celebrating reading for pleasure**' as part of the National Year of Reading 2026. To celebrate this event each child will receive a voucher which they can exchange for the £1 book that are associated with World Book Day 2026 or use to get £1 off a book of their choice.

Mrs Smith sent out an overview letter of the activities that will be taking place in school to promote reading for pleasure. Children are invited to come into school dressed up as their favourite character or they can simply come in non-school uniform. Please do not spend a lot of money buying a costume, there are lots of characters that are dressed in normal clothing e.g. Charlie Bucket from 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' or the characters from Diary of a Wimpy Kid, Tom Gates etc.

4) Jewellery

It is school policy that no jewellery is worn in school, including clear earrings. I ask for full parental support with this aspect of Health and Safety. Jewellery can be a



serious risk to the

children's safety during P.E sessions, playtimes, lunchtime sport activities and after school activities. There are lots of opportunities for children to get jewellery caught which can cause nasty injuries. The only exception is a watch which needs to be removed for PE and Sport sessions. No SMART watches, please.

5) Play Park and Skate Park

As the nights get lighter we find that an increasing number of children, of all ages, use the community facilities after school, at the weekend and over the holidays periods.

May I take this opportunity to remind parents / carers that the play park and skate park are unsupervised areas of the community site. These areas are not the responsibility of the school.

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.

3 rd March	Parent / Carer Evening (online booking will follow closer to the time)
4 th March	Phunky Foods session in EYFS (afternoon)
4 th March	Parent / Carer Evening (online booking will follow closer to the time)
5 th March	World Book Day 2026 'Celebrating reading for pleasure.'
5 th March	Y4 Multiplication tables check meeting for parents / carers at 9am
6 th March	Pre-School parents / carers appointment
9 th March	STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) week with a theme of 'Curiosity'
9 th March	Year 2 attending a STEM online workshop 'Wonderful Water'
9 th March	Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 attending a STEM BBC live lesson which includes making a movie starring the moon
9 th March	Year 5 and Year 6 Financial Education Workshops (afternoon)
11 th March	Connect Mental Health Team playground walk around (8:30am – 9am)
11 th March	Phunky Foods session in EYFS (afternoon)
11 th March	Year 1 and 2 attending a STEM online workshop 'My job at Google'
13 th March	High Borrans Residential weekend (for pupils in Y5 and Y6 who have signed up to go)



16 th March	High Borrans pupils return to school (mid-afternoon)
18 th March	Phunky Foods session in EYFS (afternoon)
19 th March	Anti-social behaviour workshops with Northumbria Police for Year 5 and Year 6
20 th March	Red Nose Day – wear something red
25 th March	Y2 trip to Newcastle Quayside and Discovery Museum (all day)
25 th March	Phunky Foods session in EYFS (afternoon)
1 st April	Y3 trip to Arbeia Roman Fort (all day)
2 nd April	<u>School closes at end of today for Easter holidays</u>
20 th April	<u>School re-opens after Easter holidays</u>
4 th May	Bank Holiday Monday (School closed to all pupils)
11 th May	Key Stage 2 SATs week
22 nd May	<u>School closes at end of today for May half term holidays</u>
1 st June	<u>School re-opens after May half term holidays</u>
15 th June	National School Sports Week
15 th June	9:15am – Early Years (FS2 & FS1) Sports day on main school field
15 th June	2:30pm – Key Stage 1 (Y1 & Y2) Sports day on main school field
16 th June	2:30pm – Lower Key Stage 2 (Y3 & Y4) Sports day on main school field
18 th June	2:30pm – Upper Key Stage 2 (Y5 & Y6) Sports day on main school field
17 th July	<u>School closes at end of today for summer holidays</u>

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