



Burradon Community Primary School



Monday 9th 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 2nd March – Friday 6th March

<u>Year Group</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Year 5/6	96%
Year 4/5	96.4%
Year 3	99.2%
Year 2	92.2%
Year 1	97.9%
FS2 (Ladybirds)	85.7%

Last week we had 4 classes above 96% which is our expectation. The average attendance from Y1-Y6 was 96.3% which is in line with our 96% target. A much better week!!

2) Parent / Teacher Nights

We had an excellent turn out for our parents' evenings last week. Can I thank all parents / carers for their time and also for the lovely comments we received about the school and the staff and children? Your support and positive comments are very much appreciated.

3) World Book Day

The children all looked amazing in their World Book Day character costumes, pyjamas or own clothes. Huge thanks to all of the parents / carers and other relatives who supported in making costumes and painting faces!!! Across the day they all took part in a range of activities linked to reading. Well done, children!

We also had a very well attended parent / carer World Book Day activity session in the afternoon with over 50 parents / carers and other relatives joining their child for a range of book activities. Many thanks for the fabulous attendance and the positive feedback received. Thanks also to Mrs Smith (English Lead) for organising our World Book Day event.

4) Reading

Following a great World Book Day event with children, parents / carers, a reminder.... Reading fluency and the enjoyment of reading are a high priority across the school. As parents / carers, you can continue to support at home by reading regularly at home with your



child and by writing regular comments in their reading diaries each week. You are never too young or old to read or be read a story to!!!

We very much appreciate regular reading taking place at home. It makes a real difference and the children love telling the teachers when they have been heard read at home and by who!

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

Our Year 6 pupils will be sitting their end of Key Stage 2 SATs from Monday 11th May until Thursday 14th May. 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!! Good luck Year 6 – we are all very proud of you!!

6) Red Nose Day

I am sure you will be aware of the upcoming national event, Red Nose Day! On Friday 20th March, we are having a wear something red non-uniform day! The children are invited into school to wear their own clothes and a red item of clothing or accessory. As always, we thank you for your support with our fundraising efforts and donations of £1 for this worthwhile cause will be very much appreciated.

7) Easter holidays

A reminder that school breaks for the Easter holidays at the end of Thursday 2nd April – early this year! The children will return to school on Monday 20th April.

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.

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
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
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
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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