



Burradon Community Primary School

Monday 14th September 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 7th September – Friday 12th September

<u>Year Group</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Year 6	94.2%
Year 5	95.4%
Year 4	95.6%
Year 3	95.8%
Year 2	99.4%
Year 1	100%
FS2 (Ladybirds)	98.1%

Last week we had 3 classes above 96% which is the national expectation. Our Year 1 class had 100% attendance – brilliant! The average attendance from Y1-Y6 was 96.7% which is above our 96% target.

2) End of Key Stage 2 results 2026

During May last year, our Year 6 pupils completed the end of Key Stage 2 SATs. Below are our Burradon results compared against the emerging national average.

This was a small cohort of 15 pupils who all worked extremely hard during Year 6. All of our children were able to access the tests, they all gave 100% effort and tried their very best despite any challenges they faced. We are very proud of them for their determination and resilience – well done to the current Year 7 pupils from Burradon.

Expected Standard

15 children (Each child = 6.7%)	<u>National average</u> <u>(emerging)</u>	<u>Burradon</u>
Reading	75%	53%
Writing (TA)	73%	80%
Maths	75%	53%
GPS	74%	73%



Science (TA)	82%	87%
RWM combined	63%	47%
Reading (average scaled score)	105.7	99.1
Maths (average scaled score)	104.9	99.7
GPS (average scaled score)	105.4	101.7

3) Year 1 Phonic Screener Results 2026

In June last year, our Year 1 pupils completed the Year 1 phonics screener. Below are our Burradon results compared against the emerging national average.

Our current Year 2 children worked extremely hard across Reception and then Year 1 in their daily phonics sessions. We are delighted with our 2026 results.

19 children (Each child = 5.3%)	<u>National average</u> (emerging)	Burradon
% achieved	82%	74%

4) Early Years Foundation Stage Profile Results 2026

Our Early Years Foundation Stage Profile assessments for our FS2 (Reception children) were finalised and submitted in June last year. Below are our Burradon results compared against the emerging national average.

Our current Year 1 children worked extremely hard across their Early Years Foundation Stage journey and we are delighted with our 2026 results.

21 children (Each child = 4.76%)	<u>National average</u> (emerging)	Burradon
% achieved GLD	72%	67%

5) Parent / Teacher Nights

Our autumn term parent / teacher evenings are scheduled for Tuesday 29th September and Wednesday 30th September. Please find below the usual procedures for our face-to-face parents / carers evenings this week. Appointment slots are going live at today (Monday 14th September) at 5pm for you to book in our parent APP. It is important that all parents / carers book a slot to speak to their child's class teacher.

- Our autumn term appointments are 10-minute appointments and will be strictly adhered to. This is to support staff to run on time, to ensure parents / carers are not waiting a long time for their appointment and to reduce congestion in our corridors. If additional time is required, staff will be in touch at a later date to arrange a further telephone appointment, if required.
- Parents / carers are politely requested to only arrive at school 5 minutes before their

appointment time. This is to give time for you to look at your child's books and the curriculum learning they have completed and to reduce congestion in our corridors.

- If you need to bring your child / children with you for your appointment time, they must always remain next to you in the corridor. When you go in for your appointment, your child can either go into the meeting with you or they can stay sitting outside the classroom on the benches. We appreciate your support with helping us to ensure that children are not running up and down the corridor and that they are being supervised whilst waiting for appointment slots.

6) Burradon Helpers

Burradon Helpers is a parents / carers group which enables parents, carers and friends of Burradon to be actively involved in the life of the School. Meetings are usually termly to come up with ideas to raise money for the school. Burradon Helpers also support House Team Events, trips, discos etc. If you are interested in being part of this group come along to our first meeting on Wednesday 23rd September at 2:45pm.

7) Changes to how we organise and manage parent / carer activities in school such as Anti Bullying Assembly and Christmas Performances

At Burradon, we are proud of the number of parent / carer activities that we provide access to across the school year. Our activities include anti-bullying sharing assemblies, Christmas performances, end of Year 6 leavers' assembly and nursery rhyme sessions for Early Years to name a few!

Due to the popularity of our parents' / carers' activities and fire regulations, we are making some changes to how we organise and manage these types of events in school. This will further enhance our safeguarding procedures across the school and ensure that we have clarity over the number of parents / carers attending each event and a clear process for attendance from parents / carers.

From now, every parent / carer activity (event and/or performance etc) will be based on a ticket allocation. Every activity will be assessed separately linked to the number of children and staff attending and the room / hall being used in school. This will enable us to look at how many spaces we have available for parents / carers to then allocate the number of tickets available for the event linked to children or family groups (for example, if two siblings are at the same event).

There will be a letter for each activity with an explanation and parents / carers will be asked to 'sign up' through our APP. Following the 'sign up' closing date, tickets will then be allocated to parents / carers. Ticket must be brought to the event as these will be checked against our attendance list.

I am sure you will appreciate the reasons for these changes are linked to enhancing safeguarding our children, complying with fire regulations and ensuring we have accurate attendance numbers through parents / carers signing up and having a valid ticket to enable admittance into the scheduled event.

These new procedures will become clearer as we work through our Autumn term activities including anti-bullying assembly, nursery rhyme sessions in Early Years and Christmas performances. We appreciate your understanding and patience as my office team and staff implement our new system and procedures for the safety and security of all.



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.

18 th September	Police talks in Year 5 and Year 6 (afternoon)
23 rd September	2:45pm – Burradon Helpers' parent / carer group meeting
29 th September	Parent / Carer Teacher Night (appointment booking)
29 th September	Pre-loved uniform in the main hall during parent / carer nights
30 th September	Parent / Carer Teacher Night (appointment booking)
30 th September	Team Rubicon Skateboarding / Scooter enrichment sessions (FS2 – Y6)
23 rd October	<u>Teacher Training Day 2 (school closed to all pupils)</u>
26 th October	<u>October half term holidays</u>
2 nd November	<u>School re-opens after half term holiday</u>
5 th November	Individual and immediate family photographs being taken across whole school from pre-school to Year 6 (morning)
11 th November	Pre-school parents' / carers' nursery rhyme session (8:55am – 9:30am) – details to follow closer to the time linked to signing up to attend
12 th November	FS1 (Nursery) parents' / carers' nursery rhyme week activities (9am – 9:45am) – details to follow closer to the time linked to signing up to attend
13 th November	FS2 (Reception) parents' / carers' nursery rhyme week activities (9am – 9:45am) – details to follow closer to the time linked to signing up to attend
16 th November	Odd socks for Anti-Bullying week
16 th November	Anti-Bullying week 'Break the Silence' theme
19 th November	EYFS (FS2 and FS1) and KS1 Anti Bullying Sharing Assembly for parents / carers at 9:30am (main hall) – details to follow closer to the time linked to signing up to attend
20 th November	KS2 (Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6) Anti Bullying Sharing Assembly for parents / carers at 9:30am (main hall) – details to follow closer to the time linked to signing up to attend
8 th December	Christmas jumper and Christmas dinner day



8 th December	11:30am - Pre-school Christmas sing-along performance for parents / carers - details to follow closer to the time linked to signing up to attend
9 th December	9:30am – Early Years (FS1 and FS2) Christmas performance in the main hall for parents / carers - details to follow closer to the time linked to signing up to attend
10 th December	9:30am – Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 Christmas performance in the main hall for parents / carers - details to follow closer to the time linked to signing up to attend
11 th December	9:30am – Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 Christmas performance in the main hall for parents / carers - details to follow closer to the time linked to signing up to attend
14 th December	EYFS, including Pre-School, Christmas Party (morning)
14 th December	Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas Party (afternoon)
15 th December	Year 5 and Year 6 Christmas Party (afternoon)
17 th December	EYFS, including Pre-School 'Polar Express Day'
17 th December	Year 3 and Year 4 Christmas Party (afternoon)
16 th December	Pantomimes for whole school across the day (EYFS and KS1/KS2)

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