



Burradon Community Primary School



Monday 22nd May 2023

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 15th May – Friday 19th May 2023

<u>Year Group</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Year 6	94.5%
Year 5	91.8%
Year 4	93.1%
Year 3	87.5%
Year 2	92.8%
Year 1	99.4%
FS2 (Ladybirds)	98.5%
FS1 (Bees and Butterflies)	89.5%

Last week we had only 2 classes above 96% which is the national expectation. The average attendance from Y1-Y6 was 93.2% which is below the 96% national expectation.

2) Trespass in the school yard over the weekend

Unfortunately, we have had some trespassing in the yard over the weekend (Sunday) with 3 youths spotted in the yard by our CCTV monitoring company which resulted in a call out by our security company.

I am aware that the community site is a busy place over a weekend with the play park and the football areas. If any parents / carers or members of the community have seen anything or heard anything, please could you let one of my team or I know. This matter is being looked into today to see if anything needs to be reported to the police.

3) PE kit

With the warmer weather, our PE sessions are now taking place outdoors wherever possible. Please can I ask that all children have a full kit for PE (shorts, t-shirts, jogging pants and trainers / sandals) to enable them to take part. If children forget their PE kit on that day, we will continue to ring home and ask for PE kit to be brought into school to enable them to take part fully. We also have spare PE kit in school for children to change into to enable them to participate fully in this statutory part of their curriculum. Many thanks for your support with this.



4) Uniform

I appreciate that we are heading towards the final part of the current academic year. However, with the final half term still being 7 weeks long, we still need to maintain our agreed school uniform, **including black shoes** and PE kit.

We have a group of children coming into school wearing leggings/tracksuit bottoms instead of the school uniform of grey or black skirt or black or grey trousers. This includes leggings / tracksuit bottoms with brand names and logos down the side of them. These are not part of our agreed school uniform. I would appreciate full parental support in ensuring that children are wearing the correct uniform below during the remainder of the summer term.

We do have some good quality, pre-loved uniform and some black shoes in a range of sizes in school. Please contact the school office or Mrs Liddle if you need a few bits and pieces to support the final part of the summer term.

Our agreed school uniform

<u>School Uniform</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• White or yellow polo shirt• Royal blue sweatshirt• Grey or black trousers• Grey or black skirt• Blue or yellow checked dress (in summer)• Grey or black shorts (in summer)• Black shoes

Our agreed PE uniform

<u>PE uniform</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• White t-shirt• Dark shorts (navy blue or black)• Dark tracksuit bottoms (navy blue or black for the colder weather)• Suitable footwear, e.g sandshoes

Please can I ask for your full support with our agreed school uniform? Phone calls home will continue to be made where children are not in the right uniform. Many thanks.

5) Black Shoes and sandals

After the half term holidays and with the warmer weather, we are happy to slightly relax the shoe colour rule to enable children to **wear sandals** if they choose to. May we remind parents that these should be a suitable dark colour (black if possible) and height (no high heels or bright colours).

If your child is not wearing the slight changes to the rules to accommodate sandals for the

warmer weather, then they **must wear black shoes** for school as this is part of our uniform expectations.

6) Year 2 SATs (End of Key Stage 1)

Our Year 2 children have worked very hard for the last 2 week doing their reading and maths end of Key Stage 1 SATs. They have all worked extremely hard and I am sure they will all have achieved their best. Well done Year 2!!! You were all amazing!!!

7) School Uniform Swap Shop and last week of summer term non-uniform

As part of being an Eco School and thinking about reusing and recycling, the School Council and Burradon Helpers would like to arrange a uniform swap shop. This will take place at 3:00 – 3:45pm in the Community Hall on Wednesday 19th July, Thursday 20th July and Friday 21st July for all parents/carers to come along and pick up some free good quality uniform. There are many nearly new jumpers, trousers and skirts.

Please send in any donations of uniform including coats, shoes, plimsolls into school by Wednesday 19th July.

Children do not need to wear school uniform week beginning the 17th July to enable parents/carers to sort out any old uniform to send to school for the swap shop, if they can.

8) May half term holiday

A reminder that school will be closed for all pupils for the May half term holiday from the end of the school day on Friday 26th May. We have our final training day on Monday 5th June so all pupils will return to school on Tuesday 6th June for the final part of the summer term.

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.

22 nd May	Phunky Foods working with food ambassadors
23 rd May	9am - FS1 (nursery) parents / carers invited into EYFS for egg investigation
24 th May	9am – FS2 (reception) parents / carers invited into EYFS for egg Investigation
26 th May	Winning house team treat (in school event)
26 th May	<u>School breaks for May half term at the end of today</u>



5 th June	<u>Training Day (School closed to all pupils)</u>
6 th June	<u>Children return to school after the May half term</u>
6 th June	Trip to Cragside for Year 5 and Year 3 (all day)
6 th June	Phunky Foods whole school assembly
6 th June	Phunky foods working in the EYFS
7 th June	NSPCC Assembly
8 th June	Y4 skipping festival at The Parks (morning)
8 th June	Y2 skipping festival at The Parks (afternoon)
9 th June	Year 2 Lighthouse trip (all day)
12 th June	EYFS trip to Hall Hill Farm (all day)
13 th June	Financial Education workshops across school (Y1-Y6)
14 th June	Proposed Academy consultation meeting for stakeholders at 4pm
16 th June	Burradon Helpers meeting at 9am
19 th June	9am - EYFS (Ladybirds, Bees and Butterflies) Sports Day
20 th June	Y6 pupils transferring to George Stephenson High School attending transition Day 1 at GSHS
20 th June	NSPCC workshops for Y5 and Y6 (morning)
20 th June	2pm – KS1 (Y1 and Y2) Sports Day
21 st June	1pm – NUSTEM visit in Y2
21 st June	2pm – Lower KS2 (Y3 and Y4) Sports Day
22 nd June	1pm – NUSTEM visit in Y1
22 nd June	2pm – Upper KS2 (Y5 and Y6) Sports Day
23 rd June	Kindness workshops for Y1-Y6
26 th June	Y6 pupils transferring to Longbenton High attending transition Day 1 at Longbenton
26 th June	9am – Class photographs
3 rd July	Y4 at First Lego League Explore Tournament (morning)
3 rd July	Y6 pupils transferring to GSHS attending transition Day 2 at GSHS
3 rd July	Proposed Academy conversion consultation ends
4 th July	Year 6 final primary school trip to Alnwick Gardens (all day)
6 th July	Year 3 trip to a Hindu Temple and then a Sikh Gurdwara
7 th July	End of year individual reports to parents / carers
13 th July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly for parents / carers at 9:30am
13 th July	Ice-cream van visit (TBC)
14 th July	Burradon's Got Talent (in school event - afternoon)
17 th July	Non-uniform week linked to uniform swap shop sessions

17 th July	Transition morning across the school (meet new class teacher) (TBC)
17 th July	Y6 pupils transferring to NGA attending transition Day 1 at NGA
18 th July	Y6 pupils transferring to NGA attending transition Day 2 at NGA
19 th July	Y6 pupils transferring to NGA attending transition Day 3 at NGA
19 th July	Y1 trip to the Laing Art Gallery (all day)
19 th July	Uniform swap shop in community hall (3pm – 3:45pm)
20 th July	Uniform swap shop in community hall (3pm – 3:45pm)
21 st July	Uniform swap shop in community hall (3pm – 3:45pm)
21 st July	<u>Schools break at the end of today for the summer holidays</u>

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