



# Burradon Community Primary School



## Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March 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 27<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2023

<u>Year Group</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Year 6	99.1%
Year 5	<b>100%</b>
Year 4	87.1%
Year 3	90.6%
Year 2	88.3%
Year 1	96.5%
FS2 (Ladybirds)	96.9%
FS1 (Bees and Butterflies)	89.7%

The week before half term we had 4 classes above 96% which is the national expectation. Our Year 5 class was at 100% - well done. The average attendance from Y1-Y6 was 94.4% which is well below the 96% national expectation.

### 2) High Borrans Weekend Residential

Our outdoor and adventurous weekend residential for Y5 and Y6 children will take place on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March to return on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March. We have 29 children on our list for this wonderful extra-curricular activity which is amazing.

Mrs Baty will be leading the weekend residential trip. She will be accompanied by the following staff:

- Miss Arkley (Year 1 teacher and first aider)
- Miss Watts (Y5 teacher)
- Mrs Ingham (Teaching Assistant and first aider)

Our staff give up their weekend with their own families, voluntarily without any additional pay, to enable this residential to go ahead. The governors and I would like to express our sincere thanks to the team accompanying the children and I am sure that parents / carers of children attending the residential will also join with us in thanking our staff.

Our High Borrans residential is always well attended and an exciting, challenging, fun filled and tiring weekend is always reported every year. It will be a brilliant trip!



### **3) North Tyneside Learning Trust 'Star Awards 2023' – 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

It's that time of year again when we have our annual 'Start Awards' led by the North Tyneside Learning Trust.

We were lucky last year to have 1 nomination in the final from our school!! This year we would love to see lots more of our amazing children nominated. Anyone can nominate any child or young person from one of the 10 categories to acknowledge hard work, successes and inspiring achievements they have recently made.

The following link will be going live shortly for 2023 nominations –

<https://ntlearningtrust.org.uk/opportunities/ntlt-star-awards/>

Closing date for nominations is Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023. Please have a think and make a nomination!!!

### **4) Water bottles in school**

A polite reminder that there should only be water in children's water bottles which they access in the classroom. We have seen an increase in juice being brought into school. This should only be in a child's packed lunch bottle and not in their water bottle. Please can I ask that only water is put into water bottles. Your support with this is very much appreciated.

### **5) Jewellery**

It is school policy that no jewellery is worn in school and 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.

### **6) 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.

### **7) Easter Holidays**

A quick reminder that we break up for Easter holidays at the end Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March. The children will return to school on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> 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.

6 <sup>th</sup> March	Phunky Foods working in Y5 (afternoon)
7 <sup>th</sup> March	Ambulance career talks (all day across the school)
7 <sup>th</sup> March	Parent / Carer Evenings
8 <sup>th</sup> March	Parent / Carer Evenings
10 <sup>th</sup> March	British Science Week begins
10 <sup>th</sup> March	Mobile library visit across the school
13 <sup>th</sup> March	Dance festival rehearsal for children attending the dance festival
13 <sup>th</sup> March	Dance Festival (evening)
14 <sup>th</sup> March	9am – Parent / carer meeting with Mrs Liddle to look at our Relationship Education scheme of work
17 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 5 and Year 6 First Lego League trip (all day)
17 <sup>th</sup> March	8:40am – 9am – Look at science week work in class session for parents / Carers
22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Year 4 Jarrow Hall trip (all day)
24 <sup>th</sup> March	High Borrans weekend residential for pupils in Year 5 and Year 6
24 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 4 Skipping festival (morning)
24 <sup>th</sup> March	Kindness workshops for Y1-Y6
27 <sup>th</sup> March	High Borrans Residential returns
29 <sup>th</sup> March	Burradon Helpers meeting at 9am
31 <sup>st</sup> March	<b><u>Schools break at the end of today for the Easter holidays</u></b>
17 <sup>th</sup> April	<b><u>School returns for the summer term</u></b>
20 <sup>th</sup> April	Vision screening for FS2 pupils
8 <sup>th</sup> May	<b><u>Additional Bank Holiday for the King's Coronation (School closed)</u></b>
9 <sup>th</sup> May	Key Stage 2 SATs week
15 <sup>th</sup> May	Phunky Foods working in Y4 (afternoon)
16 <sup>th</sup> May	Diversity workshops (across the school)
5 <sup>th</sup> June	Phunky Foods working in EYFS (morning)
9 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 2 Lighthouse trip (all day)
21 <sup>st</sup> July	<b><u>Schools break at the end of today for the Summer holidays</u></b>

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