



Burradon Community Primary School



Monday 9th October 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 2nd October – Friday 6th October

<u>Year Group</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Year 6	93.1%
Year 5	96.1%
Year 4	98.7%
Year 3	100%
Year 2	94.4%
Year 1	95.8%
FS2 (Ladybirds)	95.0%

Last week we had 3 classes above 96% which is the national expectation. Our Year 3 class had 100% attendance – well done Y3! The average attendance from Y1-Y6 was 96% which is the 96% national expectation. This is the first time we have been in line with the national average since September – let’s hope this continues!

2) Photographer in School

Advanced notice...We have booked the school photographer to come into school on Thursday 9th November. All children will have their photograph taken individually.

We sent a letter out last Friday for parents / carers to complete if you would like siblings (brothers and sisters) to be taken together. Please ensure you have indicated this on your returned letter in order for these photographs to be taken during the morning. Please note that we will only be taking sibling groups (no family groups) and only siblings who currently attend our school.

3) Free School Meals

Your child may be entitled to free school meals. The following information is taken from North Tyneside website <https://my.northtyneside.gov.uk/page/4049/free-school-meals>

You're eligible for free school meals if you receive any of the following benefits:

- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance



- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

If you feel that you may be entitled to free school meals for your child, applications can be taken over the telephone by calling (0191) 643 2288 (You will require your National Insurance Number) or by completing the online form on the website link above. For many parents / carers, if you are unsure it is worth giving the application a try!

4) Water bottles in school

It is really important that all children have a water bottle in school so they can re-hydrate on a regular basis in school. Staff will continue to encourage the children to drink regularly including if they have milk 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.

5) Breakfast Club

A reminder that we offer a breakfast club before school for pupils in FS1 (Nursery from September 2022) to Year 6

Before school childcare session

- **7:30am prompt** – childcare session before breakfast club starts at 8am
- **£1.25 charge**

FREE breakfast club:

- 8:00am – **FREE** breakfast club
- Children **must** be in breakfast club by 8:10am

For both sessions above, parents / carers of all children must book breakfast club places via the School Comms APP.

6) Burradon Fun Club

Our Burradon Fun Club (OOSC) runs from the small hall between 3:15pm and 5:30pm during term time. This is for children who are in FS1 (Nursery – 30 hours) to Year 6.

Sessions need to be booked and paid for, in advance, each half term via the School Comms App.



7) Burradon Helpers Meeting

Burradon Helpers have arranged their next meeting for Wednesday 8th November at 9am. This will take place in the school and parents / carers who are interested in joining our Burradon Helpers group are welcome to attend.

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.

10 th October	Parent / Carer Teacher Night
11 th October	Parent / Carer Teacher Night
17 th October	Y4 Quicksticks Hockey event at The Parks (afternoon)
18 th October	9am - Thrive parent / carer 'drop in' session with Mrs Liddle and Mrs Hopper
20 th October	Y1 visit to The Church of the Good Shepherd (TBC - afternoon)
23 rd October	Sports raffle tickets on sale
24 th October	Y5 Trial and Challenge event at Rising Sun Country Park (afternoon)
25 th October	Y3 visit to the Hindu Temple (morning)
25 th October	Halloween Party in school 9:30am - 10:30am for 2YO and FS1 (nursery)
25 th October	Halloween Disco for FS2 (Reception) Year 1 and Year 2 at 3:15pm - 4:15pm
25 th October	Halloween Disco for Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 at 4:25pm - 5:25pm
26 th October	Sports raffle draw (in school)
27 th October	<u>Teacher Training Day 2 (school closed to all pupils)</u>
30 th October	<u>October half term holidays</u>
6 th November	<u>Schools re-open after half term holiday</u>
8 th November	9am – Burradon Helpers meeting
9 th November	Individual and immediate family photographs being taken in school



16 th November	FS1 parents / carers invited for Nursery Rhyme week
17 th November	FS2 parents / carers invited for Nursery Rhyme week
22 nd November	9am – Anti Bullying Sharing Assembly for parents / carers
13 th December	KS2 (Y3, 4, 5 & 6) Christmas Performance at 9:30am
13 th December	EYFS and KS1 (Y1 and Y2) Christmas Performance at 2:15pm
14 th December	EYFS and KS1 (Y1 and Y2) Christmas Performance at 9:30am
14 th December	KS2 (Y3, 4, 5 & 6) Christmas Performance at 1:45pm
19 th December	Pantomimes booked for whole school (details to follow)
22 nd December	<u>Christmas holidays</u>
8 th January	<u>Schools re-open after Christmas holiday</u>

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