

Burradon Community Primary School



Monday 15th January 2024

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!!

Year Group	Attendance
FS2 (Ladybirds)	94%
Year 1	99.2%
Year 2	94.4%
Year 3	95.8%
Year 4	92.5%
Year 5	97.8%
Year 6	97.2%

Attendance for Monday 8th January – Friday 12th January 2024

Last week we had 3 classes above 96% which is the national expectation. The average attendance from Y1-Y6 was 96% which is the 96% national expectation. A good start!

2) Careers Half Term

This half term we will be discussing careers in school. We will be having a Careers Sharing Assembly on the 16th February at 9:05am. Children will also be invited to come in dressed as a career of their choice on this day. If any parent/carer would be willing to come in and speak to a class/school about their job this would be very much appreciated. Please could you contact Mrs Liddle, your child's class teacher or the main school office? Your support will be much appreciated!

3) Safety Works Visit for Y1 and Y2

Our Year 1 and Year 2 classes visited safety works last Thursday afternoon. Mrs Liddle received a lovely email from the leader of the workshop last Friday praising our Key Stage 1 pupils. Well done Year 1 and Year 2!

'Just wanted to let you know how amazing the children who visited safety works this afternoon. The amount of information that they remembered from the assembly I delivered in November was outstanding.'

4) Punctuality



Our gates open at 8:40am so that children can come into school and be ready for good start to their day.

<u>A reminder that school officially starts at 8:50am with registration. Our lessons start</u> <u>promptly at 8:55am.</u> We have a number of children who are coming in through the key stage doors between 8:55am and 9am and a few children who are coming in through the main door after 9am. This means that they are missing the start of their lesson which causes disruption for them but also for the rest of the children in the class who are ready to learn. Please can I ask for your support to ensure your child is in school on time at 8:50am? Many thanks.

5) 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!

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 January	Y3 trip to Segedunum (all day)
18 th January	Fun Day Lunch from Catering Services 'Under the Sea'
19 th January	Y2 trip to Newcastle Cathedral (pm)
26 th January	Holocaust Memorial Day (HMD) – 'Fragility of Freedom' theme
26 th January	School Council offsite visit linked to Holocaust Memorial Day (am)
6 th February	Safer Internet Day 2024
12 th February	Phunky Foods working with Y3
13 th February	Y2 Skipping session (pm)
16 th February	Careers sharing assembly for parents / carers at 9:05am
16 th February	Careers dress up day across the school
16 th February	February half term holidays (school breaks at the end of today)
26 th February	Schools re-open after half term holiday
29 th February	Y2 Quayside and Discovery Museum trip (am – TBC)
5 th March	9am – Burradon Helpers meeting
5 th March	Spring term parent / carers meetings (details to follow)
6 th March	Spring term parent / carers meetings (details to follow)
11 th March	Bikeability (TBC date and year groups)
12 th March	Bikeability (TBC date and year groups)
15 th March	Y4 skipping festival at The Lakeside (am – details to follow)
21 st March	Diversity Role Model sessions in school (Y2-Y5)
28 th March	Easter raffle, boiled egg competition and Easter activities
28 th March	Easter holidays (school breaks at the end of today)
29 th March	Bank Holiday (Good Friday)
15 th April	Schools re-open after Easter holiday
19 th April	High Borrans residential weekend for children in Y5 and Y6
22 nd April	High Borrans residential children return

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