

Burscough Bridge News



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Chair of Gavs Rev Michael Tindsley

Welcome Back

Welcome back, we hope you have all had a lovely Christmas and New Year.

School Money - Electronic Payments

Our new 'School Money' electronic payments system is up and running please now use this system to pay for School Dinners, Activity Club and the Y5&6 School Holiday. **All bookings for Breakfast and After School Activity Club must be made and paid for at least 24 hours in advance via the App.** To enable us to ensure we have the correct staffing. If you need any assistance please contact Mrs Parkin by email:- bursar@burscoughbridge.lancs.sch.uk

Diary Dates

15th Jan Primary Applications close
10th Feb School Closes Half Term
20th Feb School Reopens
31st Mar Easter Holiday 1.10pm
17th Apr School reopens

Strep A & Scarlet Fever

Attached to this Newsletter is information from UK Health Security Agency regarding Strep A and Scarlet Fever and you can also find information using the link below.

[UKHSA update on scarlet fever and invasive Group A strep - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/news/ukhsa-update-on-scarlet-fever-and-invasive-group-a-strep)

Help for Families

Food Bank The Church runs a Foodbank on Thursdays from 10am-12pm. They offer a number of ways to help people in need and are very welcoming. They also have a clothes and baby bank with many items that are new and nearly new. Should you find yourself in need of assistance please call in to Church on Thursday morning or you can speak to Mrs Parkin or Mrs Tyrer in confidence who will be able to arrange for you to visit the Foodbank. Throughout the Borough there are many ways to access help, a warm space or free internet access. The links below offer useful help and advice:-

Lancashire County Council have a range of ways to help families during these hard times. Please use the link below to access the advice and services they are offering
<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/health-and-social-care/cost-of-living/>

Lancashire Libraries offer a Warm Space and free internet access please use the link to find the Library opening times:-
<https://events.lancashire.gov.uk/search/index.asp>

Primary Applications

The LCC website for Primary School admissions is now open. The closing date to apply is **Sunday 15th January for Primary Places**. If you have a child or know anybody with a child due to start school in September please pass on this important information.
WWW.LANCASHIRE.GOV.UK/SCHOOLS

New Apps and Games

Attached to this Newsletter is the latest E-Safety Newsletter containing lots of information to help you to keep your child safe online. If your child has had a new electronic device for Christmas can you please take some time to read this as it contains lots of information to help you keep your child safe.

Reading Homework

Homework every night for all pupils is reading. Can you please ensure that you or somebody else listens to your child read. Reading is not only a lovely way to connect with your child which promotes wellbeing, it is also an important life skill. The more confident your child is with reading the more equipped they are with the skills to flourish in all areas of their education.

Contact Information

It is really important that we can contact you quickly if we have an emergency. If you got a new mobile phone for Christmas and have changed your number can you please make sure you update your contacts by email as soon as possible and also any change of address. It is important we have at least two contact numbers for each family.

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School Uniform

Can you all please ensure your child wears the correct school uniform every day to school. Recently there have been a few incidences of pupils not wearing the correct clothing and shoes. Pupils also need a warm and waterproof coat every day. Also if you haven't already done so can you please ensure your child has brought their PE kit back in to school after the Christmas holiday.

Our Mission Statement

'Let Your Light Shine To All'

(John Wesley)

Through exciting opportunities in lessons and the wider curriculum our children become well rounded, caring change makers in our world. Each child is at the heart of all we do, to ensure they become the best they can be and are meant to be.

Breakfast and After School Club

Breakfast and After School Activity Club is on every day and there are a wide range of clubs on offer.

Breakfast Club starts at 7.45-8.40am and After School Club 3.15-5.30pm. The cost will be £4.00 for Breakfast Club and £6.00 for After School Club. **All places must be booked and paid for in advance using the new electronic payment system.**

Attendance and Punctuality

Let's get the New Year off to a great start! We do understand the traffic situation in Burscough can make it difficult but, arriving late really impacts the children as they miss out on a vital part of the school day. Please can all parents please make sure pupils arrive by **8.40am** so children are on time for registration. If your child is absent you can email Mrs Parkin but please do not contact the class teachers.

If your child is absent it is important to ensure you contact us by 9.15am.

Please try to avoid unnecessary days off and remember.

Attendance= Achievement

Christian Value

This half term our Christian Value is
Trust:-



Our Values - Love, Respect, Hope, Forgiveness, Trust, Perseverance.