



NEWSLETTER

BURSCOUGH BRIDGE METHODIST PRIMARY SCHOOL



GAINING NEW KNOWLEDGE

RECEPTION, YEAR 1 AND 2 have been embarking on a virtual adventure in Geography, using Google Earth to explore Antarctica. The children have loved exploring this part of the world!



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YEAR 3/4 this week in Science, have been investigating whether having longer arms helps you throw further and if being taller allows you to kick a ball further.

YEAR 5/6 have been actively engaging in Maths through a hands on approach, focusing on converting improper fractions to mixed numbers and vice versa.

This active learning has made the topic both fun and interactive for the children.



COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

This week in Collective Worship, the children explored the meaning of Epiphany. We learnt that it is a Greek word, meaning 'revelation' and the story of the three kings who visited Jesus, bringing gifts to honour him.

INTRODUCING OUR SPORTS COUNCILLORS, SCHOOL COUNCILLORS AND THE WORSHIP TEAM

We are pleased to introduce our current School Councillors, Sports Councillors and the Worship Team. These children play an important role in helping to improve our school community and represent their peers and ensuring that their voices are heard.

School Councillors – Riley, Milan, Liliana and Annabelle

Sports Councillors – Ronnie and Lucy

Worship Team – Sasha , Helena , Sylvia , Isabella and Mollie

GAINING READING SUPER POWERS

Our classes are currently enjoying the following novels
Reception are reading Dear Zoo by Rod Campbell
Year 1 and 2 are reading Lost and Found by Oliver Jeffers
Year 3 and 4 are reading Krindlekrax by Philip Ridley
Year 5 and 6 are reading Holes by Louis Sachar

CHRISTIAN VALUE

This half term our Christian Value is **Trust**

TRUST IN THE LORD
WITH ALL YOUR HEART,
AND DO NOT LEAN
ON YOUR OWN
UNDERSTANDING.

Proverbs 3:5

E-Safety Point of the Week

Please find attached January's Online Safety Newsletter, which includes valuable tips and advice on keeping children safe while navigating the digital world. We encourage you to take a look.

STAR AWARDS AND CHRISTIAN VALUE AWARDS



Congratulations to the week's Merit Award achievers and also our Christian Value Award winner

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY EVERYDAY MATTERS

This Weeks Attendance

Well done Year 2 and 4 for 100% attendance! This weeks whole school attendance is 92.8%. This is a good start to the year but we are aiming to reach our target of 96%

	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Attendance	77.1%	86.7%	100%	85%	100%	91.3%	96%
Lates	1	0	0	0	1	1	0

Regular attendance is key to your child's learning and success. Missing even a few days can create gaps in learning and make it harder to keep up.

Attendance = Achievement

HEADTEACHERS MESSAGE

Happy New Year a very , cold and icy start. I hope you all had a good start to 2025. It's been wonderful to see the children settle back into school this week, ready for a term full of learning and growth. We have lots of information to share so please read the attached information as well as the newsletter.

MESSAGES FROM THE OFFICE

Hello all! My name is Sarah Forshaw, and I'm excited to introduce myself as the new School Bursar. I am thrilled to be joining such a wonderful school community and look forward to supporting the staff, children and families in my role. Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or need assistance - I'm here to help!

Please find attached term dates for 2025/2026 which can also be viewed on the school website.

Just a reminder if you or someone you know has a child due to start school in September, the closing date for applications is January 15th. Make sure to submit your application on time using the following link [September Admissions](#)

If any contact details including your phone number or address have changed please be sure to inform the office to ensure we can reach you when needed. Thank you!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday 22nd January - A day of fun activities with Mrs O'Connor based on Parables

Monday 3rd February - Bikeability starts for Year 5

Tuesday 4th February - Vision screening for Reception

Tuesday 4th February - SATS Parent Evening 3.30pm

Wednesday 12th February - School Disco

Friday 14th February - School closes for half term

Monday 24th February - School reopens and KS2 start swimming

Friday 4th April - End of term, school closes at 1.10pm

Tuesday 22nd April - School Reopens

Our School Values

Love **Respect** *Hope* *Forgiveness* *Perseverance*