

NEWSLETTER

BURSCOUGH METHODIST PRIMARY SCHOOL



GAINING NEW KNOWLEDGE

This week in Drawing Club **Reception** have been reading The Christmas Pine. We have decorated our own Christmas trees and also tried a festive science experiment using baking soda to draw the outline of a Christmas Tree that fizzed and popped when we added coloured vinegar!



In History this week **Year 1 and 2** became architects to rebuild London after the Great Fire! Using what we've learned, the children designed safer cities with metal pipes instead of wooden ones and more space between buildings



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This week in Science, **Class 2** have explored food chains, learning about the roles of producers, consumers, prey and apex predators. We also discovered different habitats, from the Arctic to the rainforest!

This week **Class 3** have had a visit from the police for a workshop on anti-social and pro-social behaviour. The children learned how their choices can make a positive difference in the community.

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY EVERYDAY MATTERS

This Weeks Attendance

This week's overall attendance is 85.9%, well done Year 1 and 2 on 100% attendance and being on time this week.

	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Attendance	80.4%	100%	100%	98.8%	93.3%	95%	97.5%
Lates	2	1	2	0	1	2	3

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

This week in Collective Worship we lit the second candle on our Advent wreath for the second Sunday of Advent (7th December). Like the first candle, it is purple and is often called the Bethlehem Candle. It reminds us of Mary and Joseph's journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem.

CHRISTIAN VALUE

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

**Whoever does not love
does not know God, for
God is love.
1 John 4:8**

CHRISTINGLE SERVICE

On Friday 19th December at 9am, we will hold our Christingle Service in church. Parents are warmly invited to join us. Tea and coffee will be available before the service for a small donation.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

On Wednesday, we'll have our Christmas party during the school day. Children should come to school in their uniform and bring party clothes to change into.

TESCO VISIT

On Monday, our junior children visited Tesco to perform a selection of Christmas songs for shoppers. They sang beautifully and brought plenty of festive cheer

SPECIAL VISITOR

Today we welcomed the Mayor of West Lancashire to present Mila with her certificate and prize for winning the West Lancashire Schools Christmas Card Competition.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH

The staff and the children would like to say a BIG thank you to the team at Cafe 48 who provided a fabulous Christmas lunch for us all on Wednesday.

MESSAGES FROM THE OFFICE

Please ensure any outstanding balances for Dinner Money, After School Club and Breakfast Club are brought up to date before the end of term. If you are experiencing financial difficulties, please contact the School Office.

Lunch menus for next term have been sent out. Please return your choices as soon as possible.

Forest School starts for Class 1 on the first Monday back after the Christmas break, please return your permission slip if you haven't already. You can order a packed lunch through school for your child to take with them or bring one from home on Forest School days. If you wish school to provide a packed lunch, please select your sandwich choice on the usual lunch menu sent home yesterday-Thursday.

HEADTEACHER MESSAGE

Thank you for a wonderful turn out for Christmas Breakfast this morning!



We are looking forward to our very busy final school week-next week. Please read the calendar at the end of the newsletter to ensure you have the Christmas events in your diary .

On Monday morning we will be going to watch Jack and the Beanstalk at the theatre, so remember to be on time as the coach will leave at 9am, school will provide water (No Juice is allowed in the theatre) and a snack during the interval.

This will be followed in the afternoon by our very own school performance of "The stars are coming out for Christmas" at 2pm. Tickets have gone home in children's bags today.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 15th December - Whole School Pantomime Trip

Monday 15th December - Christmas Performance 2pm

Tuesday 16th December - Christmas Performance 6pm, Raffle to be drawn

Wednesday 17th December - Christmas Party

Friday 19th December - Christingle Service in Church 9am

Friday 19th December - School closes for Christmas at 1.10pm

Monday 5th January - School Reopens for the Spring Term at 8.40am

Monday 5th January - Class 1 start Forest School