

# NEWSLETTER

## BURSCOUGH METHODIST PRIMARY SCHOOL



### GAINING NEW KNOWLEDGE

This week at Forest School, the children embraced a range of outdoor challenges and teamwork opportunities. They practised their balance and co-ordination on the slack line, worked together to gather pine branches and constructed a shelter to protect themselves from the wind and also built a small fire and enjoyed roasting apple slices for a tasty woodland snack.



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This week in Science, **Year 3 and Year 4** have been exploring electrical circuits. The children built their own circuits, experimented with different components, and successfully got their bulbs to light up. They discussed the role of each element in a circuit and gained an understanding of how electricity flows.

This week in Maths, **Year 5 and Year 6** have been learning about BODMAS, the order of operations used to solve calculations accurately. BODMAS stands for Brackets, Other operations, Division, Multiplication, Addition and Subtraction. The children have been applying this rule to work through problems, can you solve  $12 \times 4 + 6$ ?

# ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

## EVERYDAY MATTERS

### THIS WEEKS ATTENDANCE

This weeks whole school attendance is 93.3%

	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Attendance	93%	90%	93.3%	88.6%	96.7%	96%	95%
Lates	5	2	2	2	1	1	3

### E-SAFETY

Please find attached February's E-Safety Newsletter, which includes guidance on CBeebies apps, safe use of AI image-editing tools, TikTok privacy settings, tips for balancing screen time, and a new guide from the Children's Commissioner on supporting children's digital lives.

### 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.

# COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

This week in Collective Worship, the children explored the theme of trust, thinking about what it means to trust others and to be trustworthy themselves. They heard the story of Moses leading the Israelites out of Egypt and how he trusted God even when the situation seemed impossible. The children reflected on how trust is built through honesty, kindness and responsibility, and how many people find comfort in trusting God to listen to their prayers.

## STAR AND CHRISTIAN VALUE AWARDS



## **HEADTEACHER MESSAGE**

Please note that Parents' Evening has now been added to the Dates for Your Diary. Appointment times will be sent out shortly, along with further information. We have also included the date for the Parent Meeting for our upcoming Robinwood residential and we look forward to sharing important information with you ahead of the trip.

Our school nurse will be in school on Monday 9th February, between 9.30am and 10.30am. Parents and carers are welcome to drop in at any time during this hour for a 1:1 opportunity to discuss any health or wellbeing concerns regarding their child

## **MESSAGES FROM THE OFFICE**

A quick reminder that the first instalment of £100 for the Robinwood residential is due by 31st January. Thank you to everyone who has already made their payment.

There are also still some outstanding dinner money balances from last term. Please ensure these are brought up to date, as the school has already had to cover the cost with our supplier. As of next week, any families with outstanding balances relating to last term will need to provide a packed lunch for their child until the account is cleared.

Thank you for your cooperation and continued support.

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

**Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> January** – 2nd Robinwood instalment due

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February** – School nurse drop in 9.30am-10.30am

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> February** – School Disco

**Week Commencing Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February** – Swimming starts for keystage 2 (Day to be confirmed)

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> February** – Parents Evening

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March** – Parent Robinwood Meeting

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> April to Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April** – Robinwood Residential

## **Our School Values**

*Love      Respect      Hope      Forgiveness      Perseverance*