



NEWSLETTER

BURSCOUGH METHODIST PRIMARY SCHOOL



GAINING NEW KNOWLEDGE

Class 1 have enjoyed a special art day exploring the work of Piet Mondrian. The children investigated primary colours and experimented with shading and colour mixing.

Using their new skills, they planned, created and evaluated their own interpretations of Trafalgar Square, taking inspiration from Mondrian's bold shapes and striking colour blocks.

Year 1 and Year 2 are now taking their artwork a step further by recreating their pieces on the computer.



GAINING NEW KNOWLEDGE

This week, **Years 3 and 4** had a special visitor. Mr Fairclough came in to help us make individual LED circuits using our Science knowledge. We then designed our own ancient Egyptian death masks, complete with light-up eyes. They were very effective!

This week Year 5 and 6 have continued their work linked to our class novel, No Ballet Shoes in Syria. As part of exploring life during times of conflict, including WW1 (History) the children made their own 1916 Trench Cakes using an original wartime recipe. They've really enjoyed the experience and they'll be bringing their cakes home today to try.

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY EVERYDAY MATTERS

THIS WEEKS ATTENDANCE

This weeks whole school attendance is 90%

Congratulations Year 2 on 100% attendance this week and Year 5 for fabulous punctuality!

	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Attendance	76.7%	95%	100%	92.9%	95%	92%	86.3%
Lates	1	2	0	3	1	0	4

SAFER INTERNET DAY – SMART TECH, SAFE CHOICES

This week we celebrated Safer Internet Day, exploring the theme “Smart Tech, Safe Choices” with a focus on using AI safely and responsibly. The children took part in a range of activities to help them understand how to make sensible decisions online and use technology with confidence.

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

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

This week we marked Children's Mental Health Week, focusing on the 2026 theme "This Is My Place." As part of our learning, we streamed a live webinar during Collective Worship, exploring how we can help children and young people feel they truly belong by strengthening the support systems around them. Children's Mental Health Week takes place every February and was launched in 2015 to give a voice to young people and raise awareness of their mental health needs.

STAR AND CHRISTIAN VALUE AWARDS



THANK YOU MRS ANDERSON

This week was Mrs Anderson's last week with us. We thank her for all her hard work and dedication during her time at our school and we wish her every success as she continues working towards her teaching qualification.

HEADTEACHER MESSAGE

A big thank you to Mr Shingler, who has been leading Health and Fitness in PE this half term, the children have really enjoyed the sessions. Next half term we move on to Cricket

We have been made aware of a case of headlice in school. Please check your child's hair carefully and treat if necessary over the half-term break to help prevent further spread when we return.

I hope everyone enjoys a well deserved half-term break and of course your pancakes next week. Thank you for all your hard work and support this term. We look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on Monday 23rd February.

MESSAGES FROM THE OFFICE

Please can you ensure all outstanding balances for School Lunches, Breakfast Club and After School Club are brought up to date. The next instalment for Robinwood is due by Saturday 28th February.

Swimming for Year 3, 4 and 5 starts Monday 23rd February, please remember to bring your swim wear and towel in a plastic bag. No jewellery is allowed including earrings.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 23rd February – School returns

Monday 23rd February – Last Forest School session

Monday 23rd February – Swimming starts for years 3, 4 and 5

Wednesday 25th February – Parents Evening, time slots have been sent out via text

Tuesday 3rd March – Parent Robinwood Meeting 3:15 (school hall)

Wednesday 15th April to Friday 17th April – Robinwood Residential

Our School Values

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