



NEWSLETTER

BURSCOUGH METHODIST PRIMARY SCHOOL



GAINING NEW KNOWLEDGE

Class 1 have been working towards our Ocean Friendly School Award over the last half term. The children discovered our closest river and explored how litter dropped in our local area can eventually travel all the way to the ocean. We have carried out an experiment comparing how toilet paper and a wet wipe behave when flushed into drains, highlighting why responsible choices matter. As part of their project, they've organised and completed a community litter pick and created persuasive posters, poems and letters to share their message. We would like to invite you to come and see all of their hard work after school today on the playground.

GAINING NEW KNOWLEDGE

Years 3 and 4 have been learning all about fossils in Science this week. The children played a matching game, pairing animals with the fossils they leave behind, before describing the different stages of fossilisation. They also explored the role of paleontologists.

Year 5 and 6 continued reading The Explorer this week and discussed whether they would eat a tarantula like the characters in the story. 10 said they would, 6 said they wouldn't, a great debate.

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY EVERYDAY MATTERS

THIS WEEKS ATTENDANCE

This week, our whole-school attendance is 93.8%. A huge well done to Year 1, who have achieved 100% attendance and Year 5 who have achieved 100% attendance for the fourth week running.

	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Attendance	94.1%	100%	96.7%	92.9%	87.1%	100%	90%
Lates	1	1	0	1	0	0	2

GREAT BRITISH SUMMER SAVINGS

The Government has launched the Great British Summer Savings scheme, running from 25 June to 1 September 2026. Families can benefit from reduced costs on children's meals in restaurants, discounted tickets for cinemas, theatres and attractions, and free bus travel in August for children aged 5–15. You can find participating venues by entering your postcode at summersavings.gov.uk

CHRISTIAN VALUE

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

"I WILL ALWAYS
HAVE HOPE;
I WILL PRAISE YOU
MORE AND MORE."
PSALM 71:14



OPEN WATER SAFETY WORKSHOP

Today all classes took part in a Water Safety Workshop. The children learned that "It's ok to say NO" if something feels unsafe, and explored key dangers around open water, including cold water shock, sudden depth changes and sudden temperature changes beneath the surface. They discussed how rip currents work and why you should never swim against one. The session also taught children what to do in an emergency
"Stay calm, float on your back. Shout for help."
and how to help someone safely without getting into the water.



HEADTEACHER MESSAGE

Our Little Learner sessions have now come to an end, and what a lovely way to finish! Our Reception Class of 2026 enjoyed a Teddy Bear's Picnic on Wednesday, where each child received their very own Burscough Bridge Methodist School bear.

We can't wait to hear all about their summer adventures when they join us in September.

We're so excited to welcome you all into our school family!



OFFICE MESSAGE

Please find below Class 1's letter and one of their posters and a poem they have produced as part of their project, do take a look. A quick reminder that we finish at 1.10pm next Friday. We will also be holding our Year 6 Leavers' Service on Friday at 9am in church. Tea and coffee will be served beforehand for a small donation to school funds, and Year 6 parents are warmly invited to join us in the school hall for refreshments after the service.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 13th July – School Reports Out

Monday 13th July – Science Show

Thursday 16th July – DfE KS2 SATs results due

Friday 17th July – Y6 Leavers Service in Church 9am, Y6 parents are invited to join us in the school hall after for refreshments.

Friday 17th July – School Closes for the Summer Break at 1.10pm

Our School Values

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



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Let Your Light Shine

- John Wesley

10th July 2026

Dear Families,

We are writing to tell you about the plastic invasion on our world! We are taking part in the Oceans Friendly School Award by the Marine Conservation Society, to try and help protect our oceans.

More than enough sea creatures have been injured from the plastic found in the ocean. Did you know, 80% of litter comes from inland sources, reaching the sea through our drains, rivers and streams.

Over half the litter found on our beaches is plastic, which can really endanger the sea life. We are writing to you to ask you to use less plastic at home. There are three easy ways to reduce the amount of single use plastic that is used by swapping them!

- 1) "Everyone likes using plastic straws but there's too much plastic! Instead of using a plastic straw you can use a metal straw." - Teddy Hichens Y2
- 2) "Plastic bottles are dangerous to the sea life. They can harm sea life! But we can stop the sea animals getting hurt by using reusable bottles or a flask." - Immy Johnson Y2
- 3) "Plastic bags are all around the world and even where we are! Plastic bags can contaminate the seas creatures' home so we need to help. Instead of using plastic bags, you could use paper bags, cloth bags or reusable bags." Logan Hamnett Y2

We have really enjoyed working on our Oceans Friendly School Award, especially writing this letter to you all. Our friends in Y1 have made some great acrostic poems, and our friends in Reception have created a brilliant poster! But we have been disappointed to learn how much litter is affecting our planet and, on our litter pick, we collected 4 full bags of litter, most of that being plastic!

We hope you can help us to make a difference and use less plastic at home!

Thanks for reading!

Year 2

P.S. We would love to see any pictures of how you're helping out at home, so please send them to bursar@burscoughbridge.lancs.sch.uk!



Through exciting opportunities in lessons and the wider curriculum our children become well rounded, caring changemakers 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.



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