

Burton Road Primary School

Autumn Term Newsletter

SCHOLASTIC TRAVELLING BOOKFAIR

It was great to welcome The Scholastic Travelling Book Fair into school this term.

We hope that everyone had the chance to have a good look around the fair at the end of each day and were able to choose a book from the many different styles and titles available.

We are delighted to announce that the total taken was £1560.55, an amazing result.

The school will get 60% commission from all book sales, which means we have the fantastic amount of £936 to use to purchase some new books for our library.

Thank you all for your very generous support of this event.



Dear Parents/Guardians

Welcome to our end of term newsletter. It has been a very busy few weeks here at Burton Road, and we are pleased to share with you some of the highlights:

SPORTS

As usual we have had a busy calendar of sporting activities and events this term, kicking off with a selection of our Year 5/6 pupils taking part in a Cross Country event at Horizon CC. Our pupils performed really well, with some excellent results.

Our Year 5/6 Girls have been taking part in both Netball and Football tournaments, they have thoroughly enjoyed these experiences and once again have achieved some brilliant results.

In Key Stage 1, a selection of our children took part in a 'Football Multiskills' event at Reds in the Community, Oakwell, where the children enjoyed trying out various ball skills, games and challenges. A great time was had by all.

Don't forget that all pupils in all year groups always get the chance to represent the school in one or more of the vast selection of sporting events that we organise over the course of the school year.

Year 6 Visit to Chateau Beaumont, Normandy

Our Year 6 Pupils had an amazing adventure to Chateau Beaumont in France at the end of September.

Sailing from Portsmouth to Caen, the children then travelled to the chateau which is located on the borders of Normandy and the Loire Valley.

Our children had the most wonderful time, using their knowledge of the French language, to order ice creams and baguettes at the market in Saint-Hilaire-du-Harcouet' and then visiting exciting locations such as Le Mont St Michel, St Malo and the Bayeux Tapestry.

Everyone particularly enjoyed the evening entertainment, especially at the French Night where everyone had the chance to try some 'Lescargot' and had great fun in the Talent Show.

The weather could have been kinder, but this didn't stop everyone from having the most fabulous time.

We will shortly be sending out information about this brilliant opportunity to all of our current Year 5 Pupils, who we hope will be able to enjoy this experience next September.



Watch out for further details and for the dates of our Parents Information Meetings coming up.

YEAR 3 HARVEST FESTIVAL

Parents of our Year 3 children enjoyed attending our traditional annual Harvest Festival during October.

The service was presided over by Canon Darren Percival from St Paul's Church, Monk Bretton and the audience were treated to some wonderful readings and singing from our pupils.

We would like to thank everyone for their kind donations for our Harvest Table, all items have been gratefully received by The Salvation Army.

Many thanks for your support.

Mental Health Awareness Day

We really enjoyed celebrating Mental Health Awareness day when we all came to school wearing our 'Whatever Makes You Happy' clothes. We had lots of Football Kits, Pyjamas, Disney Princesses and Superheroes. You all looked amazing!

We identified that music helps to boost our mood, so we have arranged for more 'Boom Box Breaktimes' and Miss Moncrieff has started a lunchtime 'Karaoke Klub',

This has got off to a wonderful start and everyone has had a brilliant time joining our Karaoke Stars in their renditions of 'Shake It Off' and 'Mr Brightside'.

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TT Rock Stars Day

This month saw the first of our TT Rock Stars non-uniform days, where the children enjoyed taking part in games of 'Times Tables Bingo' and inter-class 'TTRS Battles'.

This is a great way of promoting the 'TT Rock Stars' multiplication learning platform, and all of the children, and staff, always enjoy the day.

This is a great tool in helping to prepare our pupils in Year 4, for their Multiplication Tables Check which they will complete in June next year.



SCHOOL AMBASSADORS

Applications are now in, and roles are being awarded for a range of pupil leadership opportunities within the school. These include:

- Councillors
- Sports Leaders
- School Tour Guides
- Eco Warriors
- Well Being Warriors
- School Monitors
- Early Years Specialists
- Children's University Ambassadors
- Subject Ambassadors

All children in Key Stage 2 have been encouraged to apply for up to 4 posts., and the successful candidates will be notified shortly.

Good luck to all of you who have applied!

Calendar Dates October—December 2024

Monday 28th October—Friday 1st November
School & Nursery Closed for the Half Term Holidays

Friday 8th November	Non Uniform Day—Bring Sweets
Tuesday 12th November	Year 6 to Crucial Crew
Friday 15th November	Children In Need—Non Uniform Day
Friday 22nd November	Non Uniform Day—Bring-a-Bottle
Thursday 28th November	PTA Christmas Fayre
Monday 9th December	Year 4 Panto at Wakefield Theatre Royal
Tuesday 10th December	Classes 1 & 2 Nativity—times TBC
Tuesday 10th December	Classes 3, 4 & 5 Nativity—times TBC
Wednesday 11th December	Classes 1 & 2 Nativity—times TBC
Wednesday 11th December	Classes 3, 4 & 5 Nativity—times TBC
Wednesday 11th December	Whole School Christmas Dinner Day
Friday 13th December	Barnsley College Panto—Sleeping Beauty
Tuesday 17th December	Rock Steady Rock Concert
Thursday 19th December	Years 5 & 6 Carol Service at St Paul's Church
Friday 20th December	Non-uniform—Christmas Jumper Day

Monday 23rd December until Friday 3rd January School & Nursery closed for the Christmas Holidays. We will re-open to everyone on **Monday 6th January 2025.**

STATUTORY TESTING IMPORTANT DIARY DATES

Please pay careful attention to the following dates:

Year 6—SATS
12th—15th May 2025

Year 1—Phonics Screening Check
9th to 13th June 2025

Year 4—Multiplication Tables Check
9th –13th June 2025

Don't forget that if your child is in Years 1, 4 or 6, it is imperative that they are in school and able to sit these mandatory DFE tests.

