

BURTON BUZZ

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

We have been back just over a week and it has been lovely to see the children really throwing themselves into their learning.

We are pleased that Mrs Taylor is returning from her maternity leave over the course of this term and welcome Mr Richings to our teaching team.

We have had some parents and carers asking about term dates for next academic year. Next week Unity Schools Partnership will be sending out a consultation about term dates and we will use this to help us publish term dates for 2024-2025 before February half term.

The staff have asked me to pass on their thanks for your kind Christmas gifts and the pleasant Christmas wishes that you sent their way at the end of term – it really is very much appreciated.

Have a good weekend.

Graham Almond – Headteacher

READING CHALLENGE

Once again Mr Boddington set our children a reading challenge over the holidays. Over 20 children took part in the challenge and he will awarding certificates and prizes next week.

SCHOOL VALUES

We introduced our new school values at the start of this academic year. They are easy to remember and we have our set of whole school expectations so that children know what adults expect.

In order to really focus and give children an understanding of each value we are going to focus on one value for each of the remaining half terms of this year.

This doesn't mean that the other three values won't be referenced but will give children a greater understanding of each value.

This term we are focusing on '**Kindness**'. We will explore the specific values in our Picture Book Assemblies and in our Achievement Assemblies and the teachers will be particularly looking for those children showing kindness and they will be rewarded with a special kindness sticker.

The teachers would be delighted to hear of ways that your children have been showing kindness at home please do share these with us!



kind actions



keep trying

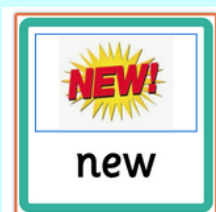


value all



aim high

OUR MAKATON SIGNS OF THE WEEK



PARKING AND TRAFFIC

Drop and Pick Up will always be a busy time of the day. Parents and carers from our school and St. Felix both use School Lane to come and pick up and drop off their children. However, we all have a duty to ensure that our children are as safe as possible. This means we all need to drive and park with due care and attention and respect.

We know mornings in particular are a busy time and people have places to be but there is never an excuse for not driving safely and carefully outside of a school. If we don't do this it could well result in a tragic accident.

As a school the last thing we want to be doing is having to inform parents and carers of a serious accident involving a child or any member of our school community. Please consider this. Thank you. **Please see last page of the newsletter for our guide to safe parking.**



GOLDEN COINS AND REWARDS

2 Golden Coins



Brilliant behaviour stationery



4 Golden Coins



Gold Award badge



6 Golden Coins



Burton End Wristband



8 Golden Coins



A Burton End bear key ring



10 Golden Coins



A brand new book! A Burton End bear



12 Golden Coins



A Golden Ticket!



When we refreshed our behaviour policy last year we introduced our Bronze, Silver and Gold ladder.

This allows us to recognise children when they display excellent behaviour, manners, when they try their hardest and contribute positively to school life.

Each child that reaches gold at the end of the day is rewarded with a special postcard to bring home and is given a sticker. The children can save up their golden rewards to purchase a variety of prizes.

We have introduced some new prizes this term: a family of the ever popular Burton End bears for children to collect, a special Golden Ticket to give access to an end of term treat and a purple Burton End wristband.



SAFE PARKING AT OUR SCHOOL GATES

Please keep clear:

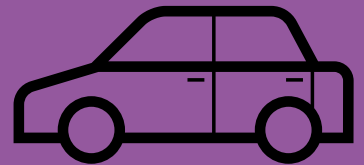
- Zig zags
- School entrances
- Dropped kerbs
- Resident's driveways
- Opposite or within 10 metres of a junction



This helps our children to see cars and drivers to see our children.

You can help by:

- Keeping your speed low, this will allow everyone else to see, think and act safely
- Always encourage your child to enter and exit your car on the pavement side
- Check for pedestrians or cyclists before opening the car door
- Stopping at the zebra crossing or for a school crossing patrol when asked
- Waiting patiently at the zebra crossing
- Parking away from school gates to reduce congestion
- Taking care when reversing.



Please don't:

- Stop in the middle of the road to drop your children off: this puts our children at risk
- Overtake cars who are allowing traffic to flow or pedestrians to cross
- Turn around in entrances of gateways
- Park on yellow lines, the yellow zig-zag lines or opposite entrances
- Keep your engine running as it pollutes the air around our school





BURTON END PRIMARY ACADEMY: CALENDAR 2023-2024

JANUARY

Thursday 4th January	8.35am	Back to school: Start of the Spring Term	All year groups
Tuesday 30th January	-	School Nurse Height and Weight Check	Reception
Wednesday 3rd January	-	School Nurse Height and Weight Check	Reception

FEBRUARY

6th February	All day	Safer Internet Day	All year groups
Friday 16th February	3.25pm	Last Day of Term	All year groups
Monday 26th February	8.35am	First Day of Term: Back to school	All year groups
Monday 26th February	All	Keep Safe Week	All year groups
Tuesday 27th February	3.30pm	Parents' Evening	All year groups
Thursday 29th February	3.30pm	Parents' Evening	All year groups