

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to Burfield Academy!

It has been great to welcome all our children and families back to the academy following the summer holidays. Children from Years 1– 4 have all settled into their new classrooms very smoothly and we are exceptionally proud of the continued high standard of their conduct and behaviour. This week it has been lovely to meet the Nursery and Reception children who are joining the school this year. They have thoroughly enjoyed meeting the new staff, exploring their new learning environments and making new friends.

This term we welcome our new staff to the academy team: Mrs Brennan (Y3 class teacher), Miss Pinney (Y1 class teacher), Miss Blackman (Nursery TA), Mrs McAlpine (TA working across the school), Miss Fry (Midday supervisor), Mrs Brown (Office Assistant) and Mrs Williams (SENCo). We will also be joined by Mrs Pearson (HLTA) who will be teaching Spanish to Y1 and Y4 on Friday afternoons.

We are delighted to share the news that during the summer holiday Mrs King and her family welcomed a baby daughter to their family. We know you will join us in sending our congratulations to Mrs King and her family on the birth of Esrah-Mae. Mrs Boyd has now started her maternity leave and we look forward to sharing her exciting news with you soon!

Have a great weekend!

Kind regards,

Mrs Hughes

Attendance updates

Whole school academy target: 96%

Whole school attendance this year to date: 94.31%

Whole school attendance Thursday 5th September —Thursday 12th September: 94.31%

Year 1: 96.21%

Year 2: 97.59%

Year 3: 85.77%

Year 4: 97.69%

If your child is unwell and is unable to attend school, please contact the academy office by 9.30am at the very latest on the day of absence and again each subsequent morning.

Reminders

- Please make sure all clothes and water bottles are clearly labelled. This will help us to ensure that all children take home the correct items at the end of the day and also to ensure any lost items are returned quickly.
- Please send PE kits into school every Monday morning. These will then be sent home each Friday to wash. All children take part in weekly PE lessons taught either by the class teacher or our Sports Coach Mr Ellis. If children do not have a full PE kit in school they may be unable to take part in their PE lesson.
- As autumn is fast approaching, please ensure all children bring a coat/ light weight jacket to school for playtimes and lunchtimes.
- Please note there is a change of date for the school individual photographs. **They will now take place on Friday 25th October 2019.**



Diary Dates

2019-2020

Term 1

Thursday 5th September—Term 1 starts

Friday 25th October—School individual photographs

Friday 25th October— Last day of term 1

Monday 28th October—Friday 1st November HALF TERM

Term 2

Monday 4th November - Term 2 starts

Friday 20th December—Last day term 2

Monday 6th January 2020—INSET day

Tuesday 7th January—Term 3 starts

Full 2019-2020 term dates are available on the academy website

Celebrations!

Gold Awards

Nursery:

Reception:

Year 1: Charlie

Year 2:

Year 3:

Our Celebration Assembly takes place each Friday morning at 9am. Each week we welcome parents/ carers into our weekly celebration assembly to share a special celebration with the children who are chosen to receive a certificate for their effort/ attainment in maths, English, subject work, behaviour or for the demonstration of one of our PUPAC values. Parents and carers of the children who achieve the platinum award are invited to celebrate with us at the next Celebration Assembly.

If you are attending the assembly, please come through the hall door to the left hand side of the building and sign in.

Friends of Burfield Academy updates

Dear parents and carers,

We hope you all had a good summer holiday. Welcome to all parents, especially those new to Burfield Academy.

We are waiting to confirm the dates for our events this term and will let you all know as soon as possible what we have planned. We are also planning to organise a social event to welcome new parents and when we have a date and venue for this we will let you know.

The date of our next Friends of Burfield Academy meeting is to be confirmed.

Please like our Facebook page in order to keep up to date with upcoming events!



