



Burtonwood CP School Newsletter Friday 26th June 2020



Welcome back, Year 6!

It has been wonderful to have so many more children return to us this week. It feels much more like a school again, with lots of smiles and laughter, as well as catching up with friends, and working hard. The children have very quickly adjusted to our system of colour-coded bubbles and being in different classrooms, and they have behaved brilliantly.

I'm very glad that our Year 6 children have had the opportunity to join us in their last half term. Our number of key worker children has really grown, too - from below 10 most days of the lockdown, to 45 this week!

A very big thank you to parents for fitting in with our staggered start and finish times and for complying with the social distancing measures in place at the gates. You've been amazing.

We are looking forward to welcoming more children from Reception and Year 1 next week.

Unfortunately, we are very unlikely to be able to offer places to any other year groups as we have a limited capacity while following social distancing measures. To those children and families, we miss you, take care and we will keep in touch as much as we can.

Change of INSET Day date

After consultation with Omega Multi-Academy Trust and Burtonwood Governors, **we are deferring our scheduled INSET Day on Friday, 3rd July.**

We don't believe that holding it at that time would be fully supportive of our wider school community. It would cause disruption to those children just returning to school and to their parents, as the INSET would mean school closure for the day.

Instead, we will be having the INSET Day on Friday, 24th July so that we can begin preparations in school ready for September. This means that **school will close to children for the summer holidays on Thursday 23rd July**, a day earlier than on our published holiday dates.

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause you, and hope that you understand our aim is to support all our families in the best way possible.

Survey alert!

We have a new survey, live on the website and on Class Dojo School Story, to accept or decline a place in school for the two weeks from 6th July - 17th July.

IF YOU ARE A KEY WORKER OR HAVE A CHILD IN RECEPTION, YEAR 1 OR YEAR 6 CLASSES, PLEASE COMPLETE THE SURVEY BY 8am ON TUESDAY 30th JUNE TO SECURE A PLACE FOR YOUR CHILD.

Please note, you will still need to complete the survey even if your child has already been in school in order to secure their place for these two weeks.

If you do not complete the survey, we regret that we will most likely not be able to give your child a place in those two weeks. This also applies to key worker children.

We will send a reminder text out on Monday but will not be chasing up responses.

Snacks and water bottles

Unfortunately, we cannot provide snacks at this time. If your child needs a mid-morning snack, please send it in with them along with a clean, filled water bottle each day.

Items from home

We are happy to accommodate children having their own hand wash and/or hand sanitiser in school, as well as sun cream. We ask, please, that these are kept permanently in school on the child's desk and do not go between home and school on a daily basis.

If you have a younger child, please make sure that your child has sun cream well applied before coming into school, as we cannot apply it for them.

Please do not send any other items into school without checking first with the adults in your child's bubble.

Packed lunches

Although we cannot run our usual hot menu at dinner time, Mrs Samm and the staff in the kitchen are making lovely packed lunches for those children who would like one.

They include burgers or sausage baps on Tuesdays, pizza or sausage roll on Thursdays, and fishfinger baps with a bag of chips on Fridays. Yum!

Any children in YR-Y2 are eligible to get these free under the Universal Free School Meals scheme.

If your child is not eligible for Free School Meals, please ensure that you have sufficient funds on ParentPay if a school packed lunch is ordered.