



Burnside Academy News



Friday 11th September

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Welcome Back!!!

Welcome to the autumn term. I hope you have had a lovely summer break and have managed to spend some quality time with your family making precious memories. It has been delightful to welcome the children back to school and to see them with their friends again. It has been lovely to be able to welcome our new Nursery and Reception children as well as new children across the school - we are really looking forward to getting to know our new families, parents, carers and children over the next few weeks.

Open Afternoon

On Monday 28th September and Wednesday 30th September, we will be holding an open afternoon for Year 1 to Year 6 when you will have the opportunity to meet with your child's class teacher to discuss how they have settled in their new class and how you can best support their learning at home. You will be sent a message regarding how to book appointment slots.

Phonics Workshop and Stay and Play

Reception will be holding a phonics workshop during week beginning 21st September and nursery will be holding a stay and play session on Wednesday 21st October. Details will be sent out prior to each event taking place.

Facebook

As we start a new academic year, it is worth reminding our families that all class teachers will post about what their class have been learning on our Facebook page. This is a great way to find out more about what your child has been up to during the day. We have all experienced the frustration of wanting to know all about their school day and hearing the same response when we ask our children what they have been doing today.... 'nothing!'

Applying for Free School Meals

We encourage all parents of children in Nursery to Year 6 to check if they are entitled to free school meals because eligibility criteria has recently changed. Please access this website to see if you are eligible and to make an application - [Free School Meals - Together for Children](#)

Labelling Clothes

Please make sure all uniform, shoes and coats are labelled with your child's name (or initials). This makes it much easier for us to find it in the event it goes missing and to reunite it with its owner.

Tuck Shop

Tuck shop continues to be open daily in school where children can purchase a variety of snacks and drinks.

Curriculum Newsletter and Homework

Your child will bring home a curriculum newsletter. This holds important information specific to your child's class and the arrangements for homework occurring weekly.

Thank you for all your continued support and if you have any queries or concerns please don't hesitate to contact me at school.

Mrs Kelly

Diary Dates so far - Autumn Term 2026

Event	Dates
Swimming starts weekly for Year 6	Tuesday 15 th September
Year 6 visit to Culture House	Monday 21 st September
Macmillan Cake Sale	Thursday 24 th September
Open Afternoon	Monday 28 th September
Year 3 Broomhouse Farm	Tuesday 29 th September
Open Afternoon	Wednesday 30 th September
Houghton Feast Opening Ceremony	Friday 2 nd October
Flu immunisations	Monday 5 th October
Year 6 visit to Stemfest	Wednesday 7 th October
Year 5 visit to Roker	Friday 16 th October
Nursery Stay and Play	Wednesday 21 st October
Halloween Day and school closes for half term holiday	Friday 23 rd October
School re-opens	Monday 2 nd November

Details for each of these events will be sent out prior to them taking place via letter or text message.