Burnside Academy News

Tuesday 3rd November 2026

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Christmas is coming!!!

Our school is such a happy place at the moment, with great behaviour and attitudes from our children. The children are eager and keen to do their very best. This half-term has to be one of the best times to work in a school. The anticipation of Christmas with the children is lovely to be part of. We are looking forward to welcoming you to watch our Christmas performances this year at school and at St Michael's and All Angels Church. We have lots of Christmas activities planned so please look at the diary dates at the end of the newsletter carefully so that you know when all the different events are taking place.

Visits and Visitors

A number of visits have taken place since September including Year 6 visiting Culture House, Stemfest and Beamish, Year 5 visiting Roker and Year 3 visiting Broomhouse Farm. We have had numerous visitors in school including Dr Renwick to run various different musical sessions, Mental Health Support team to run sessions with different classes, and an artist to work with Year 4/5 to create work to be displayed at Houghton Feast.

Events

We have held a number of events in school too including celebrating World Mental Health Day, open afternoon for parents and carers, Nursery Stay and Play, Show Racism the Red Card Day and Halloween Day. Thank you for all of your support to ensure these events were successful.

Facebook

Please remember to log in to our Facebook page to see what your children have been learning at school. New items are posted daily.

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

Mrs Kelly

Headteacher

Diary Dates - Autumn Term 2026

Details of each event will be sent out prior to it taking place via text message or letter.

Event	Dates
Individual School Photographs	Thursday 12th November
Children in Need Fundraising Day	Friday 13th November
Pantomime (in school)	Monday 16th November
Christmas Movie Afternoon	Tuesday 1st December
Christmas Sponsored Event Day/Christmas Jumper Day/Christmas Lunch	Thursday 3rd December
Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas Performance	Thursday 10th December at 9.15am and 2.00pm
Nursery Christmas Performance	Friday 11th December at 9.15am
Nursery and Reception Christmas Party	Monday 14th December
Year 3, Year 4/5 and Year 6 Christmas Performance St Michael's and All Angels Church	Tuesday 15th December
Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 Christmas Party	Wednesday 16th December
Year 4/5 and Year 6 Christmas Party	Thursday 17th December
School Closes for the Holidays	Friday 18th December
School Re-opens	Tuesday 5th January