



Burley and Woodhead Newsletter

5th September 2017

Burley Woodhead me: Learning me; Christian value: Courage

Welcome back to the new school year. It has been lovely seeing all of the children again this morning, despite the rain, looking very smart in their new uniforms. Over the summer, internal doors have been added to the reception and Y3 classrooms and a number of toilets around school have been upgraded. Mr Gibbons and his new cleaning team have been working hard to ensure the school looks at its best as we begin the new school year—the hall floor is so shiny, you can see your reflection in it!

We are delighted to welcome Mr Bayliss as our new teaching assistant in Year 1. Mr Bayliss will be a familiar face to many of the children as he has been in to Burley Woodhead on many university placements over the last few years, focusing on P.E. and sport in school. In addition, Mrs Perkins, from Sunrise and Sunset club, is also extending her hours and will be supporting in Year 2 each morning this term as well as continuing to work in the before and after school club. We are excited that both of them will be working with the team in the coming months and I am sure the children will appreciate the expertise they bring to their new roles. Miss Wright also returns to school as Mrs Sykes following her wedding over the summer.

As you can see from the dates for the year on the next page, we have changed around a few events this year. Parents' evening in the first term has been brought forward to before half term so parents will have a chance to meet with teachers earlier in the year, before receiving your child's first term report at Christmas. The ever popular open morning, which used to be before half term has been moved to November; and we hope to avoid any clashes with cross country by moving this event to later in the year.

We start this year with learning me and a focus on our brains. Mr Wilkinson will again be setting his growth mindset challenges for everyone to take part in. If you would like to see how we are continuing to develop a growth mindset school, please have a look at the blog: <http://burleywoodheadgrowthmindset.primaryblogger.co.uk>.

Lots of exciting learning happens at Burley Woodhead and there are a number of ways you can keep up to date with what is happening. We post very regularly on the school Twitter account—@burleywoodheadp and the school Facebook site—burleywoodheadprimary. The newsletter is sent out via email every other Friday and is also posted on the school website—www.burleywoodhead.com. The school calendar is also on the website. Please could we ask that you look at these different media before contacting the office with a question about dates or arrangements. Thank you.

I look forward to another exciting, successful year together.

Mrs Siddall
Headteacher

Meet the teacher evening 13th September

We would like to invite parents of children in **Y1 to Y6** to come and meet your child's class teacher on **Wednesday 13th September at 6pm**. The meetings are a great opportunity for us to share what will be happening this year, discuss homework expectations, and answer any questions you may have about school. As last year, the teacher will deliver the same meeting twice, once at 6pm and again at 6.30pm. If you are unable to attend the meeting, class teachers will send home information that was shared on the night. The meetings will be held in your child's classroom but please enter school through the office. We will be running a creche in the hall if you are unable to arrange childcare for your child/children. Please drop them off before you go to the classroom.



Dates for your diary

Monday 11th September	Y4 swimming lessons start
Wednesday 13th September 6pm	Meet the teacher night
Friday 15th September	First newsletter emailed to parents
Tuesday 27th September 7.30pm	PTA AGM at school
Saturday 30th September	Ashlands' cross country
Tuesday 3rd October pm	Y5 and 6 visit to Ilkley Literature Festival
Monday 9th October	Individual school photographs
Tuesday 10th October pm	Y3 and 4 visit to Ilkley Literature Festival
Friday 13th October	Karate day in school (children to come in P.E. kit)
Friday 13th October 6—7.15pm/7.30—8.45pm	School disco
Saturday 14th October	Ghyll Royd cross country
Week beginning 16th October	Big me week
Wednesday 18th and Thursday 19th October	Parents' evenings
Friday 20th October 2pm	Harvest service at St Marys'
Friday 20th October 3.15pm	School closes for half term holiday
Monday 30th October 8.50am	Back to school
Saturday 11th November	Ben Rhydding cross country
Monday 6th November	Y1 and 5 visit to Science and Media museum
Friday 17th November	Children's takeover day
Saturday 18th November 10am—12pm	Open morning
Wednesday 29th November	Book fair in school
Monday 11th December 9.30am	Reception Nativity performance
Tuesday 12th December	Year 5 and 6 Christmas party
Wednesday 13th December	Year 3 and 4 Christmas party
Wednesday 13th December 9.30am and 6pm	KS1 Nativity performance
Thursday 14th December	Reception, Year 1 and 2 Christmas party
Friday 15th December 2pm	Christmas service at St Marys'
Friday 15th December 3.15pm	School closes for Christmas holiday
Friday 15th December	End of term reports sent home
Tuesday 2nd January	School closed—INSET day 2
Wednesday 3rd January	Back to school
Monday 15th January	Y5 and 6 Young voices concert Sheffield Arena
Week beginning Monday 29th January	Y6 residential Ingleborough Hall
Friday 9th February	School closes for half term holiday
Monday 19th February	Back to school
Thursday 1st March	World book day
Saturday 3rd March	All Saints' cross country
Monday 12th March	Big pedal starts
Saturday 17th March	Nell Bank relays
Tuesday 27th and Wednesday 28th March	Parents' evenings
Thursday 29th March 3.15pm	School closes for Easter holidays

Monday 9th April	Back to school
Monday 1st May	May day bank holiday—no school
Week beginning Monday 14th May	Year 6 SATs week
Friday 25th May	Break up for Spring Bank holiday
Monday 4th June	Back to school
Friday 20th July	Break up for Summer
Monday 23rd, Tuesday 24th and Wednesday 25th July	School closed—INSET days 3, 4 and 5

Please note these are the dates that we currently have—there will be many more during the year which will be posted on the school website, in the fortnightly newsletter and through your child’s class.

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Peripatetic music lessons

We have increased the number of peripatetic music providers this year and now have over 8 different teachers in school over the course of the week. Your child will be given their time for their music lesson by class teachers in the next few days. Please note that due to the number of lessons we have, it will not be possible to change any timetabled music lessons. In addition, there will be occasions when your child’s music lesson will not be able to take place due to class visits and other events. Please could we ask that you make direct contact with your child’s music teacher with any queries or to make alternative arrangements for your child’s lessons, not the office.

After school clubs for this half term

We have created a timetable for this year which ensures that all children will be able to access a wide range of different clubs each half term. This week, children will be bringing home letters for clubs which will be available during the first half term. As there are a number of clubs happening on the same night, please could you note where to pick your child up from. Clubs will now dismiss from classroom doors and the hall door, rather than the main reception. This is to ensure all children can be dismissed safely.

Day	Club	For
Monday	Yoga	Years 1 to 6
Monday	Computing	Years 3 to 6
Tuesday	Girls’ football	Years 5 and 6
Tuesday	Cooking	Years 3 and 4
Wednesday	Boys’ multi skills	Years 1 and 2
Thursday	Gardening	Years 1 to 6
Friday	Lego	Years 1 and 2

The sporting leagues will also be starting with Y6 football on Fridays after school and Y5 basketball/ netball on Thursdays after school. Letters will be coming out this week.

As you can see from the dates for your diary, the cross-country events start on 30th September. We always have a very high turnout through school for the cross-country runs, right from reception, and it would be great to see lots of children taking part again this year. Mrs Broadley will be sending out letters in the coming weeks.

