



Burnt Tree Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy new year and welcome back to a new term. On behalf of all staff, I would like to say thank you for the cards and gifts that some of you bought for staff. Thank you to all of you who have helped to ensure a smooth start to the new term and for ensuring children are at school for 8.45. **Reminder – gates close at 8.55am.**

Most children have returned looking very smart in the correct school uniform, could I also please remind you that PE kits should be back in school as below.

PE Kit

Could you please ensure that your child/children have a PE kit in school, as children will be changing for PE. This must be in a drawstring PE bag and consist of:



Black shorts/leggings/joggers
Plain white t-shirt

Plain black hoody/zip up hooded top
Black pumps or trainers (these must be in the PE bag and not the footwear that your child has worn to school) Black plimsolls are recommended for EYFS and KS1.

Some PE lessons do take place outside so it is advisable that your child has joggers/leggings and a hooded top in their PE bag during the colder months. PE kits will be kept in lockers in KS2.



Can I also remind you that hoodies are not part of school uniform; a school jumper must be worn whether your child is in early years or year 6. If your child does not have a school jumper, we have a selection of second hand uniform, please ask at the office.

Car Park

Do not walk across the car park – please stay on the paths. There are still a lot of parents cutting across the car park at the moment between the cars.



that relevant paper work can be completed.

Trips/Events

There will be trips and events planned over the next 2 terms, you will get plenty of notice and time to make payments. Please be aware that if we do not receive sufficient payments the trips will be unable to go ahead. Please adhere to cut off dates so

Attendance Awards

Thank you for supporting us with attendance, we are aiming to improve attendance this term. I know there has been many bugs about but children who had attendance between 98-100% were recognised at the end of the term. These children were awarded a certificate, a prize and their bronze award. Next term, these children will have the opportunity to achieve their silver award. Children who did not achieve the bronze award for the autumn term will have the opportunity to achieve it at the end of the spring term.



Leave of absence

The LA have issued guidelines regarding leave of absence. We are not allowed to grant leave of absence during term time. If you do feel that you need to apply for a leave of absence, this must be done at least 3 weeks in advance by requesting and completing a leave of absence request form from the office. There is a chance that you could receive a penalty notice if you take leave of absence/holiday in term time. If your child has consistent leave of absence then there is a risk of prosecution.

Year 6 SATS boosters

These will be held before school every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday morning. (see letter for details) It is important that your child attends if possible. Any questions, please speak to Mr Brazier or Miss Griffiths.



Swimming

It is important that all year 6 children take part in swimming lessons, as it is a legal requirement of the curriculum. The children are making fantastic progress, and due to the additional funding the school pays towards swimming costs, the children are able to have an hours lesson each week for the whole year.

Edmond Hall



There are still places available on the Edmond Hall residential trip for September 2023. If you would like your child to take part please return the letter or ask at the office for another copy. A deposit of £25 is due by the end of January. The balance can be paid in instalments each week or month up until July. If your child is entitled to a free school meal there will be a reduction in the cost. Please ask. There will be a meeting for parents that are interested in the residential with a short slide show showing details of the place and activities later this term.

Albion Tournament

We were lucky that some of our children were offered the opportunity to take part in the Albion winter games. They all had a fantastic time and are looking forward to the Spring games.

Christmas Fayre/Raffle

Thank you for all of your support with the Christmas fayre and the raffle. All of the raffle prizes were allocated on the last day of term which was drawn during the assembly. We raised just over £700 for school fund which will be spent on new resources for the library.

Please see the list of dates for upcoming events and trips and inspire workshops.

School will be closed for a training day on Friday 3rd February and we break up on Friday 17th February for half term.

Thank you once again for your continued support and we look forward to another successful term.

Jayne Bayliss
Head Teacher