



Burnt Tree Primary School

Head Teacher: Mrs. J Bayliss
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December 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to all of you for supporting the non-uniform days with donations for the Christmas fayre. With all of the fundraising and donations that we have received, so far, we have raised around £4000 towards the purchase of a mini bus which will enable us to attend local places and sports events. We really appreciate the donations and your support for these events.

Christmas Performances

Thank you to everyone who has supported all of the performances, the nativity in EYFS and KS1, the carol concerts in years 3&4 and 5&6 and the choir concert. The staff have worked hard with the children to learn the words and to put the performances together. We hope you have enjoyed them.

Thank you to Mrs Giles and Mrs Andrews who give up their lunchtimes each week to rehearse with the choir.

Attendance

Attendance is continuing to be closely monitored with involvement from the local authority. Thank you for your support with attendance and for supporting the KS2 12 days of Christmas initiative. Children were rewarded with a disco for an hour after school. Attendance is currently 94.2%. Hopefully, all of the illnesses will have passed after Christmas and attendance will continue to improve.

Uniform



Grey trousers/skirt/pinafore
White polo shirt



Royal blue sweatshirt/cardigan (with school logo which you can purchase from Gogna Uniform supplier or a plain one from a supermarket)

Grey tights for girls or black/white socks

Black shoes (no trainers)

Hairbands/bows should be blue or black and not too large

PE Kit

Could you please ensure that your child/children wear a school PE kit on the appropriate PE days. **If their PE kit is required for booked After School clubs on other days, or a sports event, please send it in a drawstring bag.**

The correct PE kit is:



Black shorts/leggings/joggers
Plain white t-shirt
Plain black hoody/zip up hooded top
Black pumps or trainers.
Black plimsolls for EYFS and KS1 must be in school in a drawstring bag.



Some PE lessons do take place outside so it is advisable that your child wears joggers/leggings and a hooded top/trainers on their PE days in cooler weather.

EARRINGS CANNOT BE WORN FOR PE or SWIMMING.

IF CHILDREN ARE UNABLE TO REMOVE THEIR OWN EARRINGS, PLEASE TAKE THEM OUT BEFORE SCHOOL ON PE DAYS.

PE AND SWIMMING IS COMPULSARY AND PART OF THE NATIONAL CURRICULUM.

YEAR 6 GO SWIMMING EVERY FRIDAY. PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOUR CHILD HAS SWIMMING SHORTS – BOYS AND SWIMMING COSTUME – GIRLS (NO BIKINIS) AND A TOWEL.

Drop off/pick up

School times – 8.45-3.15

The school gates will be closed at **8.55am and will open at 3.10pm. (please note the later afternoon time)**



Please do not walk across the car park, use the path.

Snacks – Breaktime

Children will have free milk until their 5th birthday, children can continue to have milk after their 5th birthday, this can be ordered and paid for online from COOLMILK.com. EYFS/KS1 children have fruit at snack time/breaktime. KS1 and KS2 children can pay 20p per day or £1 a week for toast or they are welcome to bring a healthy snack from home. **Packets of crisps and chocolate bars are not allowed at breaktime.**

Lunchtimes

Nursery – 11.45-12.30

Reception – 11.45-12.45

KS1 – 12.00-12.55

KS2 – 12.15-1.05

Children are allowed to bring their own drink to have with their lunch if they wish. All children must have a water bottle in school every day for drinks throughout the day.

Upcoming Events and Trips

Please see list of dates for the year. All trips and workshops will be payable on ParentPay.

Visits/workshops

This half term children have taken part in numerous workshops within school and have also been out on visits to Forge Mill Farm in Sandwell Valley, Sandwell council house and EYFS and year one took part in Christmas trips to the safari park and Ashend House Farm.

Inspire workshops

Thank you to the parents who have already supported their child this year at inspire workshops. These will take continue to place over the year. Please see the list of dates on the website for your child's inspire workshop that you are invited to.

INSPIRE SESSIONS 2025/2026				
YR	REG	DAY	DATE	TOPIC
1	Sparrows	Friday	06/03/2026	Mechanisms – Royal carriages
	Penguins	Monday	09/03/2026	Mechanisms – Royal carriages
2	Cuckoos	Friday	13/03/2026	Textiles - Pouches
	Flamingos	Monday	16/03/2026	Textiles - Pouches
3	Eagles	Friday	26/06/2026	Textiles – Cross stitch
	Wrens	Monday	29/06/2026	Textiles – Cross stitch
4	Falcons	Friday	12/06/2026	Structures - Pavilions
	Starlings	Monday	15/06/2026	Structures - Pavilions
5	Swans	Friday	20/03/2026	Structures - Bridges
	Woodpeckers	Monday	23/03/2026	Structures - Bridges

EYFS Craft workshop

Thank you to everyone who attended the EYFS craft workshop last Friday. It was very well attended by parents with some lovely feedback and comments.

Edgmond Hall



We have a residential trip booked to Edgmond Hall for KS2 for 2 nights from Monday 6th July. Please send your letters back if you are interested in a place.

Ingestre Hall



We have a residential trip booked to Ingestre Hall for years 4-6 for 2 nights from Monday 2nd March. Please send your letters back if you are interested in a place.

Breakfast club

Breakfast club is available every morning from 7.45am at a cost of £3.00 per day.

Please speak to the office if you are interested.



4 Community Trust have an after-school club on site if you require childcare. Please ask the office for the information.

Parking

Can I please remind you to be respectful when parking. Please avoid parking across driveways and be considerate to school neighbours.

Staffing update

Mrs Mall, a LSP who has worked at Burnt Tree for 20 years has left us this term to begin a new position with Sandwell children's services. We wish her all the best in her new job. All the staff on maternity leave – Mrs Clarke, Mrs Williams and Miss Bladen have all had baby girls and are enjoying their maternity leave.

Thank you for your continued support and for some of your lovely comments. I would also like to say thank you on behalf of all of the staff for your Christmas wishes, kindness and cards/gifts that have been sent into school.

Have a lovely Christmas break. We return to school on Monday 5th January 2026.

Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "J Bayliss".

Mrs Jayne Bayliss

Head Teacher



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

DATE	DAY	CLASS	EVENT	TIMES
W/B 20/01/26	Tue, Wed & Thu every week	Y6	SATs booster sessions	8:00am
10/02/26	Tue	Parents	Ingestre Hall meeting	2:30pm
11/02/26	Wed	Rec – Y6	Spring Disco	TBA
02/03/26 – 04/03/26	Mon - Wed	Y4 -Y6 50 places	Ingestre Hall residential trip	
05/03/25	Thu	All	World Book Day	TBA
06/03/26	Fri	Y1 Sparrows	Inspire Session Mechanisms - Royal Carriages	9:00am – 10:30am
09/03/26	Mon	Y1 Penguins	Inspire Session Mechanisms - Royal Carriages	9:00am – 10:30am
W/B 09/03/26	Mon - Fri	All	Book Fair week	TBA
13/03/26	Fri	Y2 Cuckoos	Inspire Session Textiles - Pouches	9:00am – 10:30am
13/03/26	Fri	Y1	Mother's Day assembly (Y1 parents invited)	2:00pm
16/03/26	Mon	Y2 Flamingos	Inspire Session Textiles - Pouches	9:00am – 10:30am
19/03/26	Thu	Y6	Eid assembly (Y6 parents invited)	2:30pm
20/03/26	Fri	Y5 Swans	Inspire Session Structures - Bridges	9:00am – 10:30am
20/03/26	Fri	All	Red Nose Day	
23/03/26	Mon	Y5 Woodpeckers	Inspire Session Structures - Bridges	9:00am – 10:30am
23/03/26	Mon	All	Decorate an egg entries – judged on Thurs 26 th March	
26/03/26	Thu	Y3	Easter Assembly (Y3 parents invited)	2:30pm
26/03/26	Thu	Early Years	Easter bonnet parade	TBA
06/05/26	Wed	All	Class photos	
W/B 11/05/26	Mon - Thu	Y6	SATs week	
14/05/26	Thu	Y6	SATs Ice Cream van treat	
22/05/26	Fri	All	Non-uniform day for donations of gift in a bag for the Summer Fayre/Family Picnic	
05/06/26	Fri		Non-uniform day for donations of chocolate for the Summer Fayre/Family Picnic	
11/06/26	Thu		Summer Fayre/Family Picnic (ALL parents invited)	
12/06/26	Fri	Y4 Falcons	Inspire Session Structures - Pavillions	9:00am – 10:30am
15/06/26	Mon	Y4 Starlings	Inspire Session Structures - Pavillions	9:00am – 10:30am

DATE	DAY	CLASS	EVENT	TIMES
15/06/26	Mon	Y2	Father's Day assembly (Y2 parents invited)	9:00am
16/06/26	Tue	Parents	Edgmond Hall meeting	2:30pm
17/06/26	Wed	Y5	WMSP trip	TBA
11/06/26	Thu		Summer Fayre/Family Picnic (ALL parents invited)	
22/06/26	Mon	KS2	Sports day	9:15am
23/06/26	Tue	KS1	Sports day	9:15am
23/06/26	Tue	Y3	Summer trip	TBA
24/06/26	Wed	Early Years	Sports day	9:15am
25/06/26	Thu	Parents	Meet new teacher	2:30pm - 4:00pm
26/06/26	Fri	Y6	Barmouth trip	TBA
26/06/26	Fri	Y3 Eagles	Inspire Session Textiles – Cross Stitch	9:00am – 10:30am
29/06/26	Mon	Y3 Wrens	Inspire Session Textiles – Cross Stitch	9:00am – 10:30am
29/06/26	Mon	Y4	Conkers trip	TBA
01/07/26 – 02/07/26	Wed – Thu	Y6	High school transition	
01/07/26	Wed	All	Transition to new class	am
01/07/26	Wed	Rec – Y5	Summer disco	TBA
02/07/26	Thu	Y1	Weston Super Mare trip	TBA
03/07/26	Fri	Y6	Sleepover in school	TBA
06/07/26 – 08/07/26	Mon – Wed	Y4 – Y6 36 places	Edgmond Hall residential trip	
07/07/26	Tue	All	Attendance assembly	
08/07/26	Wed	Early Years	Summer trip	TBA
09/07/26	Thu	Y6	Leavers performance (Y6 parents invited)	2:00pm and 6:00pm
10/07/26	Fri	Early Years	Summer craft morning	9:15am
13/07/26	Mon	All	Rewards day	
14/07/26	Tue	Y2	Habberley Valley trip	TBA
15/07/26	Wed	Rec	Graduation (Rec parents invited)	TBA
15/07/26	Wed	Y6	Leavers Prom	6:00pm - 8:00pm
16/07/26	Thu	Y6	Leavers assembly (Y6 parents invited)	2:00pm
20/07/26	Mon	All	Training Day	