



# Burton-upon-Stather Primary School

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*21<sup>st</sup> November 2025*

We would like to thank parents who responded to our recent survey. We had 25 returns, which moving forwards we would hope will increase. One of the concerns raised was that parents were unaware of what was happening with regards to Ms Rider. Unfortunately, we are unable to give you a great deal more information than we did a couple of weeks ago other than Ms Rider continues to remain off work. In the interim we have brought staff in from our other primary schools to enable Mrs Symington, Assistant Principal, to be out of class and manage the school. She is being supported by senior leadership from the Trust particularly Mr Woolley, Director of Primary Education.

Should you wish to contact the academy for any reason, you can:  
ring us on 017240720394  
email us on [Admin@burtonuponstatherprimary-iet.co.uk](mailto:Admin@burtonuponstatherprimary-iet.co.uk)  
or, message via our website [HERE](#)

We would kindly ask you to remember that staff have teaching commitments and cannot always be available to immediately return your call, but will always do so as soon as possible.

As ever, we thank you for your ongoing support.

Sarah Sprack  
CEO  
Isle Education Trust

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## *Reception - People that help us week*

Last week in Reception we learned all about *People Who Help Us*, and it has been a truly exciting and memorable few days for the children. We were very lucky to welcome several special visitors who shared how they help keep our community safe and healthy.

The week began with a visit from the police, who talked to the children about their important job and showed them some of the equipment they use. We also met a nurse, who helped the children understand how nurses care for people and keep us well. A road safety expert joined us too and taught the children how to stay safe when crossing the road—something they were very enthusiastic to practice.

One of the biggest highlights was the visit from the firefighters, who arrived in their fire engine. The children were thrilled to explore the truck, sit inside, and even have a turn using the hose! This hands-on experience brought their learning to life and sparked lots of brilliant conversations and questions.

Alongside our special visitors, we were also marking two important events: Remembrance Day and Children in Need. The children took part in thoughtful discussions and activities to help them understand the significance of both occasions, showing great kindness and respect throughout.

It has been a wonderful week filled with learning, excitement, and community spirit.

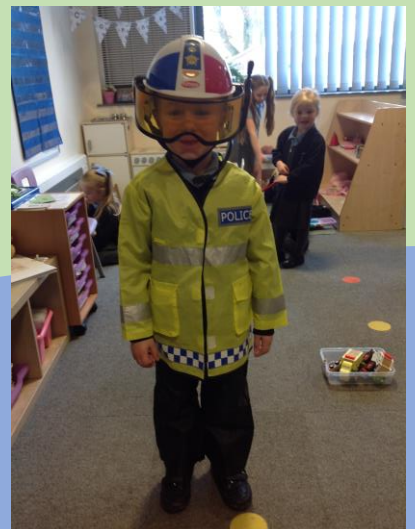
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## *Children in Need*

A massive thank you for your generous donations for Children in Need! We raised an incredible £133.79 for this fantastic charity. It was so lovely to see so many children come to school in their cosy PJs – you all looked wonderful! Children from Reception to Year 6 all had lots of fun, and the enthusiasm across the school made the day even more special.

Your kindness will truly make a difference in the lives of those who need it most.



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## *KS2 Shine in the TT Rockstars “England Rocks” Competition!*

This week, our Key Stage 2 pupils proudly took part in the national TT Rockstars England Rocks competition — and what a fantastic effort they put in! Throughout the event, children across Years 3–6 showed brilliant determination as they challenged themselves to improve their times tables fluency.

Classrooms were buzzing with excitement as pupils logged on each day, eager to climb the leaderboard and contribute to their class score. We were delighted to see so many children practising not just at school, but also at home, showing real dedication and resilience.

A huge well done to every participant for their hard work, enthusiasm, and team spirit. Times tables fluency is such an important skill, and it was wonderful to see the children having so much fun while learning.

The results are as follows:

<u>Highest Class Average</u> 1st place – Year 6 2nd Place – Year 5 3rd Place – Year 3	<u>Most Valuable Players</u> <u>Year 6</u> 1st – Rathushan Sebamalai 2nd – Khye Standley 3rd – Layla Woodcock	<u>Most Valuable Players</u> <u>Year 5</u> 1st – Ivy Williams 2nd – Arabella Simpson 3rd – Rosie Allison
<u>Most Valuable Players</u> <u>Year 4</u> 1st – Francesca Distefano 2nd – Emily Lycett 3rd – Alexa Booker	<u>Most Valuable Players</u> <u>Year 3</u> 1st – Emir Sivrikaya 2nd – Rubi Sivrikaya 3rd – Alfie Williams	<u>Most Valuable Players</u> <u>across KS2</u> 1st – Rathushan Sebamalai 2nd – Khye Standley 3rd – Layla Woodcock

In total over 4,356 schools took part in this competition this week. I am extremely proud to announce that Burton upon Stather Primary School completed the competition at 284th! I am sure you will all agree that this is an amazing achievement. On behalf of us all, I congratulate all children that took part, we are all extremely proud of your achievement.

We look forward to celebrating the top performers in assembly — and to taking part again next year!

Miss Masoud,  
Maths Lead

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## ***Celebration***

Assistant Headteachers Award – Maya (Reception)

Attendance Class of the week – Year 3



### **Readers Award**

**Reception** - Tully

**Year 1** - Nilojan

**Year 2** – George

**Year 3** – Ihtishaam

**Year 4** – Logan

**Year 5** – Davey

**Year 6** - Freddie

### **Bronze Award**

**Reception** – Rory, Ada,  
Maya

**Year 1** – Hope, William

**Year 2** - Henry

**Year 3** – Rubi, Freddie,  
Elsie

**Year 5** – Lilly-Mae

**Year 6** – Henri, Elizabeth



### **Stars of the Week**

**Reception** – Harry

**Year 1** - Ben

**Year 2** – Sapphire

**Year 3** – Emir

**Year 4** – Gabriel

**Year 5** – Eric

**Year 6** – Miles



### **Good Friend Award**

**Reception** – Ruby C

**Year 1** - Arthur

**Year 2** – Elodie

**Year 3** – Scarlett

**Year 4** – Oliver

**Year 5** – Mia

**Year 6** - Pippa

### **Silver Award**

**Year 1** – Harley

**Year 2** – Loic

**Year 3** – Theo P, Harper-Rose

**Year 4** – Izzy, Aiden, Alexa

**Year 5** – Stanley, Poppy,  
Darcie

**Year 6** - Eli

### **Gold Award**

**Year 1** – Rosie

**Year 3** – Isla, Max



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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY & FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 4 Class Assembly – 3pm Parents and carers invited to attend
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> November	Non Uniform Day in exchange for bingo prizes
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	Y1 Phonics Presentation to Parents/Carers, 5pm
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	Y4 Trip to Eureka
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Bingo Night – Doors open 5pm, eyes down 5.30pm
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas dinner/Christmas jumper day
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 3 Christmas Church Service
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Get Ahead Silent Disco – In school event for all years
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Christmas Production – Morning and Afternoon performances
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Parties, all classes
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Children break up for Christmas Holidays
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	Children return to school
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> January	Y3 Trip to Leeds City Museum



## Extra-Curricular Activities

Day	Time	Activity	Key Stage
Monday	3.35-4.30	KS2 Dodgeball and Benchball	KS2
Tuesday	3.30-4.30	Football	Rec & KS1
Tuesday	3.35-4.15	Book Club	KS2
Thursday	3.30-4.15	Board Buddies	Rec & KS1
Thursday	3.35-4.15	SATs Club	Year 6

## Attendance

**Our whole school attendance this week is 94.81%**

**Well done Year 3 for the highest attendance this week – 96%**

We are aiming to reach **97%**.

Please ensure that all general doctor and dentist appointments are booked outside the school day unless they are an emergency.

Burton upon Stather Primary  
Academy Parent Governor  
Expression of Interest 2025

