



Friday 9th  
December

Dear Parent/Guardian,

It was our Christmas Performances for most year groups this week. The children were absolutely brilliant. It was great to welcome parents and carers into school. Thank you so much if you were able to attend.

Thank you *Mrs C Holgate*, Headteacher

### Attendance for Last Week

<b>Puffins</b>	<b>97.24%</b>
<b>Eagles</b>	<b>96.13%</b>
<b>Cygnets</b>	<b>95.95%</b>
<b>Doves</b>	<b>95.67%</b>
<b>Kingfishers</b>	<b>94.83%</b>
<b>Robins</b>	<b>94.83%</b>
<b>Skylarks</b>	<b>92.07%</b>
<b>Kestrels</b>	<b>91.61%</b>
<b>Wagtails</b>	<b>91.33%</b>
<b>Woodpeckers</b>	<b>90.97%</b>
<b>Eaglets</b>	<b>90.34%</b>
<b>Jays</b>	<b>90.33%</b>
<b>Sparrows</b>	<b>87.50%</b>
<b>Swallows</b>	<b>80.34%</b>
<b>Wrens</b>	<b>80.34%</b>
<b>Owlets</b>	<b>80.33%</b>
<b>Swans</b>	<b>80.00%</b>

Overall school attendance was **90.26%**. Well done to **Puffins** who had the highest attendance last week.

### Badge Winners this week

Class	Badge Winners
Owlets R	Musa K, Dua Z
Eaglets R	Safiya M, Ahmed M
Sparrows 1	Sienna H, Haania B
Robins 1	Hasanat K, Bareera B
Wrens 1	Abdurrahman H, Ahyaan K
Wagtails 2	Hassan A, Huzaifa H
Swallows 2	Sienna H, Haania B
Doves 3	Aima Noor S, Amelia P
Skylarks 3	Bisma R, Fatima K
Woodpeckers 4	Mehraj A, Emily A
Kingfishers 4	Halima E, Aroush N
Jays 5	Aisha M, Suhaana Z
Puffins 5	Fizza A, Abdullah K
Eagles 6	Jacob N, Ammaya M
Kestrels 6	Aroosha A, Aleena J

Winning Team - **Air**

Bronze Badge Award- Hannia B, Swallows

Silver Award - Suhana Z, Jays — Halima E, Kingfishers

Thank you for your continued support. If you should have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact school to speak with us. Tel: **01282 226777**

### Go-Noodle!

The hall doors will be open at 8.20am everyday for any body that would like to take part. Go Noodle is a 10 minute dance/fitness session. Come and join in!

**DATES:** School closes for Christmas after school on Thursday 15th December. **School reopens on Tuesday 3rd January 2023.**

## Sleeping Beauty Pantomime

Last week, M&M Theatre Productions came to school to deliver the Sleeping Beauty Pantomime. The children absolutely loved it. We had fun, dancing, laughter and everybody got in with spirit of things. Miss Lingard and Mr Holland even danced at the front!



## Christmas Dinner

It was our Christmas Lunch yesterday and most children joined in. It was great to see over 300 children enjoying their lunch. Apologies for the mix-up about uniform or party clothes.

## NEW SCHOOL TELEPHONE NUMBER

Tel: 01282 226777

## Upcoming Diary Dates

DATE	EVENT
Every Friday @ 9am	Celebration Assembly. You will be invited by a text message to attend.
Thursday 15th December	School closes at 1pm
Tuesday 3rd January	School reopens for Spring term

## ATTENDANCE

Our first ever Attendance Newsletter was sent out electronically yesterday, which will be made available every half term. It offers parents and carers information and advice around attendance and punctuality.

This week, there's been a lots of news surrounding Strep A and Scarlet Fever. For more information, please see the letter at the end of the Newsletter.



## Unavoidable Extended Leave

Application of Leave of Absence forms must be submitted to Mrs Rawcliffe with copy of flight tickets. A parent meeting will then be arranged with Mrs Holgate before departure.

Number of lost learning days due overseas trips since 1st September 2022 = 606 - up from 584 last week.

Penalty Notices Issued since 1st September = 29

Whole School Attendance to date is 92.40% - School target is 96%

Please report your child's absence on each day of absence from 8am. Failure to do so may result in the absence being recorded as unauthorised, which may lead to a Penalty Notice.



# curriculum

## What has your child been learning about in class this week?

If your child's class isn't in the newsletter this week, they will be next week.



R- Eaglets

What a busy week we have had! In Maths, we continued to recall one more one less of a number and ordered numbers 1 to 10 with the help of Maths Mole. In Literacy, we have started to read our new Christmas story "Aliens Love Panta Claus" we described all the different underpants we spotted. They were very colourful! The children had a great time at the Christmas party, amazing dancers on the dance floor! Well done Eaglets for showcasing your Christmas show in front of parents/carers, you were all brilliant!



1- Sparrows

It has been a fantastic week in the Sparrows. The children were outstanding in their school performance about Christmas in France. In English, the children have been working hard to innovate their version of Supertato, changing certain characters and the sticky situations they are in. In Maths, the children have been applying their knowledge of 2D and 3D shapes brilliantly.



2- Swallows

This week, we have become storytellers and innovated our own Jack and the Beanstalk stories. In Maths we have really enjoyed naming 2D/3D shapes and designed methods to count the sides and vertices. In Science, we have described food chains and designed our own. An amazing challenge for us. We also worked hard to perform well in our Christmas in Australia showcase!



3- Doves

Another fantastic week in Doves! Well done Doves for your amazing performance of Christmas in Denmark, every person was fantastic. In English, we have started to read our new story called 'The Night Gardener' and have been predicting what we think might happen. We have also been learning about multiplication and division in Maths and using our times tables knowledge.



4- Kingfishers

It has been a fantastic week in Year 4 this week with lots of ideas being produced for our English writing. We have been using expanded noun phrases and fronted adverbials for when in our retelling of the Rumaysa fairytale. In Maths, we have been exploring factor pairs, and we have even managed to squeeze in some rehearsals of our Christmas time in Germany show! Great work Kingfishers!



5- Jays

This week in Jays we are working hard, ready for our Christmas holidays. We are continuing to learn about fractions in Maths and have been learning how to add and subtract fractions with different denominators. In Science we learnt about reversible and irreversible reactions, and we finished off our history topic about the Anglo Saxons.



6- Kestrels

We have been very busy in Kestrels this week! In English, we have been using all our skills and research to write our own William Shakespeare biographies. In PE, we presented and recorded our dance routines, they were amazing! In DT, we have been investigating materials and their strength and designing and making WWII shelters. Look out for the photographs on our class page. We also really enjoyed our Christmas Dinner on Wednesday and celebrating Christmas jumper day on Thursday.

## Rounders and Dodgeball Club

Ages 8 to 11 years and 12 to 16 years

### What is it?

**Monday** will be a day of Rounders, Dodgeball, Archery and lots other exciting activities based at the pavilion building at Thompson Park.

**Wednesday** will be an action packed day of games and a Little Party people Christmas party at St Peters with a visit from Santa.

**Thursday** will be back at Thompson Park for the Festive Christmas Cracker Trail, the whole family can take part in a Christmas themed trail and visit Santa, where they will receive an Activity Pack that they then take home and play with their families over the Christmas break

A packed lunch will be provided for each child on each day of the club. Children will also be given a Christmas themed meal to take home with their Activity Pack.

When? 10am – 2pm

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December 10am – 2pm

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December 10am – 2pm

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 10am – 2pm

Where?

The Pavilion, Thompson Park: Monday

St Peters Centre: Wednesday

Thompson Park: Thursday

Booking:

Email- [burnleyroundersclub@outlook.com](mailto:burnleyroundersclub@outlook.com)

For further info:

Contact [burnleyroundersclub@outlook.com](mailto:burnleyroundersclub@outlook.com)

Janet -07974419098



**HOLIDAY CLUB**  
**ROUNDERS**  
**DODGEBALL**  
AGES 8 - 16

The poster features two cartoon characters wearing Santa hats. On the left, a boy in a blue sports jersey with the number 2 holds a yellow and blue dodgeball. On the right, a girl in a white sports uniform holds a baseball bat and a baseball. The background is dark blue with white snowflakes. At the bottom, there are logos for '3lc', 'FUN Food > Friends', 'Action for Children', and 'BURNLEY ROUNDERS CLUB'.

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*Sion Pantomime Society Presents*  
*by kind permission of Lazy Bee Scripts*

# *Beauty and the Beast*

*by James Barry*

*Monday 13th to Saturday 18th  
February 2023*

*7.15pm Monday - Friday  
2.15pm Saturday*

*Adults £9 Children £6*

*Box Office:*

*[www.ticketsource.co.uk/  
sion-panto-society](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/sion-panto-society)*

*Tel: 0333 666 3366*

*Sion Baptist Church,  
Church Street, Burnley BB11 2DW*

*Booking fees apply. Please check our Facebook page  
@sionpanto for all the latest ticket and event information*

**09/12/2022**

Dear Parents and Carers,

School has received some information regarding an increase in notifications of Scarlet Fever, from the UK Health Security Agency. There have been no confirmed incidents within school however, confirmed reports of cases exist in the local Burnley area, but if anything should happen in the next few days we will keep you informed. Please be vigilant to the symptoms below. As mentioned, good hand hygiene is key in preventing any potential spread and we have maintained this in school since COVID with anti-bacterial hand wash present in every classroom. If you think your child may have symptoms, please contact your GP or NHS 111 as soon as possible. The information given to school is below:

**Re: Increase in scarlet fever**

We are writing to inform you of a recent [national/local] increase in notifications of scarlet fever to the UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA), above seasonal expected levels.

We would like to take this opportunity to remind you of the signs, symptoms and the actions to be taken if you think that you or your child might have scarlet fever.

**Signs and symptoms of scarlet fever**

Scarlet fever is a common childhood infection caused by *Streptococcus pyogenes*, or group A Streptococcus (GAS). It is not usually serious, but should be treated with antibiotics to reduce the risk of complications (such as pneumonia) and spread to others. The early symptoms of scarlet fever include sore throat, headache, fever, nausea and vomiting. After 12 to 48 hours, the characteristic red, pinhead rash develops, typically first appearing on the chest and stomach, then rapidly spreading to other parts of the body, and giving the skin a sandpaper-like texture. The scarlet rash may be harder to spot on darker skin, although the 'sandpaper' feel should be present. Patients typically have flushed cheeks and be pale around the mouth. This may be accompanied by a bright red red 'strawberry' tongue.

If you think you, or your child, might have scarlet fever:

contact your GP or NHS 111 as soon as possible

- make sure that you or your child take(s) the full course of any antibiotics prescribed. Although you or your child will feel better soon after starting the course of antibiotics, you must complete the course to ensure that you do not carry the bacteria in your throat after you have recovered
- stay at home, away from nursery, school or work for at least 24 hours after starting the antibiotic treatment, to avoid spreading the infection

You can help stop the spread of infection through frequent hand washing and by not sharing eating utensils, clothes, bedding and towels. All contaminated tissues should be disposed of immediately.

## **Invasive Group A Strep (iGAS)**

The same bacteria which cause scarlet fever can also cause a range of other types of infection such as skin infections (impetigo) and sore throat. In very rare cases, the bacteria can get into the bloodstream and cause an illness called invasive group A strep (iGAS). Whilst still very uncommon, there has been an increase in iGAS cases this year, particularly in children under 10 years old. It is very rare for children with scarlet fever to develop iGAS infection.

As a parent, you should trust your own judgement.

Contact NHS 111 or your GP if:

- your child is getting worse
- your child is feeding or eating much less than normal
- your child has had a dry nappy for 12 hours or more or shows other signs of dehydration
- your baby is under 3 months and has a temperature of 38C, or is older than 3 months and has a temperature of 39C or higher
- your baby feels hotter than usual when you touch their back or chest, or feels sweaty
- your child is very tired or irritable

Call 999 or go to A&E if:

- your child is having difficulty breathing – you may notice grunting noises or their tummy sucking under their ribs
- there are pauses when your child breathes
- your child's skin, tongue or lips are blue
- your child is floppy and will not wake up or stay awake

## **Stop the spread**

During periods of high incidence of scarlet fever, there may also be an increase in outbreaks in schools, nurseries and other childcare settings. Children and adults with suspected scarlet fever should stay off nursery / school / work until **24 hours** after the start of appropriate antibiotic treatment. Good hygiene practice such as hand washing remains the most important step in preventing and controlling spread of infection.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Holgate

## **Resources**

[NHS – Scarlet Fever](#)

[Scarlet fever: symptoms, diagnosis and treatment](#)

[Health protection in education and childcare settings](#)

[Hand hygiene resources for schools](#)