

Burnopfield Primary School, Front Street,  
Burnopfield, Newcastle Upon Tyne NE16 6PT

Head Teacher Mrs S.Taylor B Ed (Hons)



Tel: (01207) 270397

Fax: (01207) 272856

Email: burnopfield@durhamlearning.net

## Newsletter 15.6.20

Dear Parents/Carers,

Today we welcomed back some of our lovely Year 6 and Year 1 children to school, this is in addition to our key worker children who are already in attendance. It was lovely to see so many happy smiling faces. Everybody followed our guidance very well and we want to say a big thank you for this. It has taken weeks of planning to be able to be in position to offer a safe, welcoming environment for our pupils and staff and we thank you for all of your support during this time.

We would like to update you on some of the things that have been happening since lockdown began. *Our school has now become three institutions in one.*

### **We are a traditional school**

All of our teachers and Teaching Assistants are teaching a 'bubble' of children full time. We are using every classroom and every member of staff to provide safe 'bubbles' for all of our returning children. We have based this half term's work on a restorative curriculum with 'Friendship' as the theme for the next two weeks. The work being done in school mirrors the work sent out as home learning.

### **We are an online school**

We continue to provide home learning for those children who have not returned to school. Teachers cannot respond during the school day as they are teaching full time. However we will continue to make welfare calls to children who are at home by designating staff members to the role. It is unlikely that you will be called by your child's class teacher, please use the class email address if you have any questions or the member of staff making the welfare calls will pass them on. Staff have allocated PPA on Friday afternoons and will aim to respond to any queries during this time.

### **We are a community hub**

We continue to contribute to the safety and welfare of our children and are continuing to order and organise free school meal vouchers on a weekly basis.

### **We are planning for the future**

Even with around 120 children back at school, we are at capacity based on the two metre distancing guidance from the Government. This is why we cannot accept any more children.



Burnopfield Primary School, Front Street,  
Burnopfield, Newcastle Upon Tyne NE16 6PT

Head Teacher Mrs S.Taylor B Ed (Hons)



Tel: (01207) 270397

Fax: (01207) 272856

Email: burnopfield@durhamlearning.net

For those of you who have children in Years 2-5 and for those of you who may have changed your mind and decided that you now feel it is safe for your child to return, we understand how disappointing this will be for you.

### **Planning**

We still do not know what a return to school in September will look like as we await further Government guidance. We will keep you informed of our plans.

### **Transition**

You all received your child's end of year report last week. Thankyou for all of the lovely positive feedback we have received. You were also told who your child's new teacher will be. Our usual transition can not take place this year so we are looking at ways in which we can give your child a chance to correspond with their new teacher before they return to school. More information will be sent over the coming weeks including support for those with Special Educational Needs.

We look forward to welcoming back our Nursery and Reception pupils next week and will write to you next week with a further update.

Mrs Brunton and Mrs Thompson

Acting Heads

