

Radcliffe Primary School



Weekly Newsletter

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Facebook & Dojo .

Friday 16th October 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Another Great Week!

We have had another fantastic week in school, with lots of super learning and achievements to celebrate.

It was Key Stage 2's turn to enjoy an engaging storytelling session with local author Michelle Waterworth. The children thoroughly enjoyed listening to her stories and learning more about the writing process. We are delighted to be welcoming Michelle back to school after half term to lead some additional reading workshops with our pupils.

If you would like to purchase Michelle's book, please see the link below:

<https://amzn.eu/d/07QjvzPm>

Year 2 STEM Experience

A huge well done to Noah, Buddy and Arthur from Year 2, who attended a STEM-themed learning day at Elton Primary School. They worked alongside other Year 2 children from across our family of schools, deepening their understanding of mathematics and science through a range of exciting activities. The boys represented our school brilliantly, demonstrated excellent behaviour and teamwork, and most importantly, had a fantastic time. We are very proud of them!

Parents' Evening

We look forward to welcoming you to our Parents' Evening appointments on Monday and Wednesday.

If you have not yet booked an appointment, please speak to your child's class teacher as soon as possible.

On arrival, please report to the school office, where you will be directed to the school hall. This will give you an opportunity to look through your child's books and celebrate their learning before meeting with their teacher.

After-School Clubs

There are still spaces available in several of our after-school clubs. These provide a wonderful opportunity for children to develop new skills, enjoy different activities and spend time with their friends.

Please also remember that we have places available in our (very reasonably priced!) After-School Club provision. If you require wraparound care or even if you want your child to pop along for an hour to see what it's all about, please take a look at the timetable below and contact the school office for further information:

Monday: Painting and a range of indoor and outdoor play activities

Tuesday: Play dough, Lego and a range of indoor and outdoor play activities

Wednesday: Arts & Crafts and a range of indoor and outdoor play activities

Thursday: Just Dance, Lego and a range of indoor and outdoor play activities

Friday: Movie Night with popcorn and a range of indoor and outdoor play activities

The children also have the opportunity to make their own snacks throughout the sessions.

Attendance Matters

Our attendance has been brilliant once again and remains in line with national average at 95.5%. This is testament to the commitment and hard work of both our families and our children, so thank you for your continued support.

Children who have achieved 100% attendance this half term will be enjoying their attendance reward on Friday afternoon. We know they are looking forward to their well-deserved treat!

Let's have one more week of excellent attendance as we head towards the end of the half term!

Holiday Activities and Food Programme (HAF)

If your child is entitled to Free School Meals, HAF places have now been allocated and booking codes have been sent out. Please don't miss the opportunity to book a place for your child during the October half-term holiday. We will also be sending home information about local providers and activities.

Anti-Bullying Information

Although Anti-Bullying Week takes place in November and we will be carrying out a range of activities, including assemblies and parent workshops, we wanted to share some information with you in advance about bullying and the work we do throughout the year to promote kindness, respect and positive relationships. Please take a few moments to read the separate information sheet, which explains what bullying is, how we promote positive relationships in school, and ways you can support your child at home.

Thank you for your continued support as we work together to ensure all children feel safe, happy and respected.

Diary Dates

Monday 19th October & Wednesday 21st October

Parents' Evenings 4pm- 6pm

Friday 23rd October

Finish for half term

Tuesday 3rd November

Children back in school

Week beginning 16th November

Anti-Bullying Week

Wednesday 17th November

Individual photographs

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Walsh

Is my child too ill for school?

A guide for parents and carers

It can be tricky to know whether to keep your child off school when they're unwell. This guide is based on NHS advice to help you decide.

Most mild illnesses don't need to keep your child off school.

✓ USUALLY IT'S OK TO GO TO SCHOOL If your child has any of the following, they can usually go to school:

- Common cold**: A runny nose, sore throat or mild cough is usually fine.
- Mild headache**: A mild headache is usually fine.
- Tummy ache**: A mild tummy ache is usually fine.
- Period pain**: Period pain is not a reason to keep your child off school.
- Hay fever**: Hay fever symptoms, such as a runny nose, sneezing or itchy eyes are not a reason to keep your child off school.

✗ KEEP OFF SCHOOL If your child has any of the following, keep them off school and let them return when they are feeling better:

- High temperature**: Keep off school until the high temperature has gone.
- Vomiting and diarrhoea**: Keep off school and aim to return the next day.
- Chickenpox**: Keep off school until all the spots have crusted over (usually about 5 days).
- Impetigo**: Keep off school until the sores have crusted over or 48 hours after starting antibiotics.
- Measles**: Keep off school for at least 4 days from when the rash appears.
- Scarlet fever**: Keep off school for at least 24 hours after starting antibiotics.

i OTHER ILLNESSES Follow the specific NHS advice for these conditions:

- Hand, foot and mouth**: There's no need to keep your child off school, but let the school know.
- Head lice**: There's no need to keep your child off school. Treatment can be started straight away.
- Threadworms**: There's no need to keep your child off school. Treatment can be started straight away.

FURTHER INFORMATION

For more details and the most up-to-date advice, visit the NHS website:

www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/

Scan the QR code to visit the NHS guidance

ATTENDANCE

Bury Council

WHAT THE NEW RULES MEAN FOR ME

1 I'm a single parent of one child and we want to go on holiday for a week.

Your holiday will not be authorised and you must talk to the school before you book anything. Because your child will miss 5 school days you will be given a penalty notice fine. The fine is £160 but if you pay it within 21 days it will be reduced to £80.

£160

2 IRREGULAR ATTENDANCE

If your child is absent for 10 or more sessions in 10 weeks, and their absence are unauthorised, the school will consider prosecution.

1 day = 2 sessions

A PENALTY FOR EACH CHILD

+£160 +£160 +£160 +£160

4 children & 1 parent = £640

Reduced to £320 if paid within 21 days

4 FOR A FAMILY OF TWO PARENTS

4 children & 2 parents = £1,280

Reduced to £640 if paid within 21 days

5 If in any period of not more than 2 years, your child has a 2nd and 3rd leave of absence or pattern of irregular attendance...

SECOND TIME

2 parents and 1 child = £200
2 children = £400
3 children = £600
4 children = £1,000

No discount for early payment

THIRD TIME

A penalty notice fine will not be given. Instead your case will be taken to court. A magistrate can fine each parent £2,500 for each child.

1 parent & 4 children = £10,000
2 parents & 4 children = £20,000