



## Headteacher's Message

I am pleased to be able to tell you that you will be receiving a copy of our Ofsted report via email at 4pm. There is also a covering letter from myself that I would ask you to read before you look at the report. Ofsted have their own unique language, which is often very bland. Briercliffe has been judged as 'Expected Standard' in all areas and so my letter tries to explain what this really means and how this relates to our school and report.

The inspection was a positive process for school, with the inspectors identifying many of our strengths. There are, of course, things we can further improve and as a school we are already working on these.

I would like to repeat my thanks to everyone in the school for all their hard work and support for making Briercliffe the school that does it's absolute best for our children.

**Miss Ramsbottom** 😊

## Pupil News

### World Book Day

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March (NOT FRIDAY!) Come to school dressed as a character from a book! There will be prizes for the best 'homemade' costumes! As part of our day of celebrations, we are asking children (and staff) to bring a photo of themselves reading in the most extreme places...on top of a mountain, in a tree, in a bath of baked beans!!! The wilder and more extreme the better! Bring your photos next week to share on World Book Day!

### Egg Decorating Competition!

Get creative and create an egg design using hard boiled eggs. Bring your eggs into school on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March. We will be holding an 'Eggshibition' of all the designs on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March 3.30pm and Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March 8.30am in the New Hall for parents to visit!

## Merit Awards

**Congratulations to all our children who were awarded a merit award this week!**

**Class R1**

**Hannah Khan & Jack Fenwick**

**Class R2**

**Elsie Ashworth & Louie Wolski-Brown**

**Class 1SP**

**Liam Alfonso & Charlie Preston**

**Class 1S**

**Yazeed Bello & Ciaran McCormack**

**Class 2O**

**Daisy-Mae Dalton & Emilia Stone**

**Class 2S**

**Cora Cadwick & Raven Crosby**

**Class 3B**

**Harley Wilkinson & Jacob Holliday**

**Class 3C**

**Harry Jones & Pearl Windle**

**Class 4G**

**Lily Watson & George Atkinson**

**Class 4H**

**Oliver Knowles & Scarlett Hasty**

**Class 5L**

**Leo Fowler & Poppy Norfolk**

**Class 5W**

**Jessica Fort-Turner & Oscar Peel**

**Class 6B**

**Alfie Faulkner & Kiril Topchy**

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March 3.30pm-6.30pm

Parents' Evening

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March – NOT FRIDAY

World Book Day – come dressed as a character from a book!

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March 3.30pm-6.30pm

Parents' Evening

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March

Let's Go Sing – Year 4, 5 and 6 Choir

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March

Comic Relief – more details to follow from School Council

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March

Egg Decorating Competition and 'Eggshibition'

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March 5.15pm

Whitehough Meeting for Year 6 parents and children

## **Club Information**

Year 3 and 4 Tennis  
Tuesdays 3.30-4.30pm

Rec-Year 6 Rock Steady  
Wednesday afternoons

Mad Science  
Thursdays 3.30-4.30pm

K-POP Footlights  
Thursdays 3.30-4.30pm

Year 5 and 6 Netball  
Thursdays 3.30-4.30pm

Year 4 & 5 Dance  
Fridays 8.30am

Year 4, 5 & 6 Choir  
Fridays 12.50pm

Year 3 Football  
Fridays 3.30-4.30pm

## **School Value Award - Polite**

**Congratulations to all our children who were awarded a school value certificate and badge.**

**Class R1 – Thor Burton**

**Class R2 – Brodi Metcalfe**

**Class 1SP – Barnie Warn**

**Class 1S – Theo Vaja**

**Class 2O – Harry Gallagher**

**Class 2S – Arlo Stobbs**

**Class 3B – Florence Clarkson**

**Class 3C – Teddy Brennan**

**Class 4G – Stanley Cottrell**

**Class 4H – Yayra Dzontoh**

**Class 5L – Eire Tracey**

**Class 5W – Jilaan Ali**

**Class 6B – Oscar Astin**

**Class 6H – Maddison Cawtherley**



## **DoJo Team Points**



The winning team this week, with 380 points is Queens Park.

Running order....

Joint 1st Scott & Queens

Joint 2nd Towneley & Thompson

# Attendance Matters



Whole School **Attendance** 95.8%  
National Primary Attendance 94.8%

Class R1	Class 1SP	Class 2O	Class 3C	Class 4G	Class 5L	Class 6B
95.1%	95.1%	96.8%	96.5%	97.3%	95%	96.7%
Class R2	Class 1S	Class 2S	Class 3B	Class 4H	Class 5W	Class 6H
96.4%	94.8%	97.1%	95.4%	93.8%	94.3%	96.3%



Supporting children, young people and families to succeed in Lancashire



<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/family-hubs/>

More services and information

## [Bump, birth and beyond](#)

Information to help you prepare for the birth of your baby and find out about life after your baby is born.

## [Parenting support](#)

Where to find support for your family.

## [Arguments in parental relationships](#)

Free local and online relationship courses for parents in Lancashire.

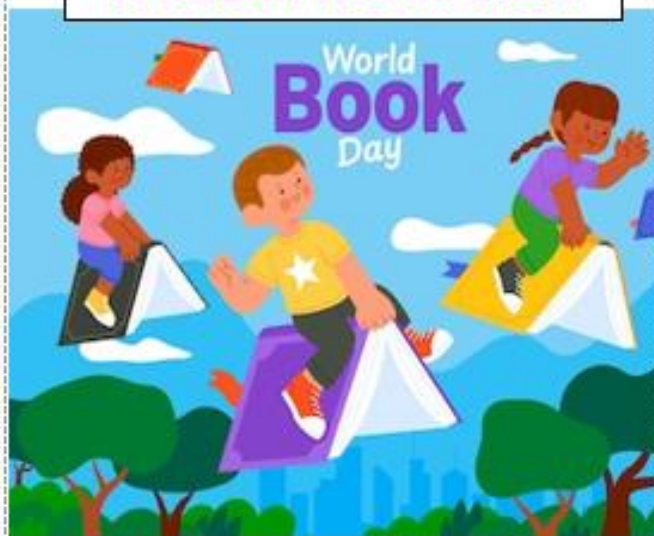
## [Stay safe guidance when attending a club, activity or service](#)

Advice to keep young people safe when attending a club or activity or using a service.



**Burnley  
Together**

**THURSDAY 5 MARCH**



Have you any World Book Day costumes you have grown out of? Please could you donate them to us?

Let's help every child dress up on World Book Day!

Please contact Burnley Together on 01282 686402, or email: [contact@burnleytogether.org.uk](mailto:contact@burnleytogether.org.uk) to arrange drop-off or collection if possible

Thank you so much!



## A MILE OF PENNIES

**Did you know that a mile of pennies adds up to £844.80?**

Here at Briercliffe Primary School, we are going to try and raise this amount to spend on extra playtime equipment!

The School Council are asking the staff, the children and their families to donate 1p pieces (2p/5p pieces would also be welcome!).

Please bring them into school on Fridays.

**How long will this take us?**

EACH CLASS IS TO GUESS HOW MANY WEEKS THIS WILL TAKE TO MAKE A MILE OF COINS AND THE CLOSEST GUESS WILL WIN A PRIZE!

**Good luck** from the  
**School Council**

## School Crossing Patrol Signals



**Figure A** - Sign upside down - Not ready to cross pedestrians



**Figure B** - Sign sideways - Barrier to prevent pedestrians crossing. Not ready to cross pedestrians



**Figure C** - Sign held up high - ready to cross pedestrians. Vehicles must stop unless unsafe to do so.



**Figure D** - Sign held up high - All drivers must stop

Please support your local School Crossing Patrol Service  
Find out more online - [www.roadsafetygb.org.uk](http://www.roadsafetygb.org.uk)

With thanks to Lynn Hepworth and Middlesbrough Road Safety Team for the original development of this leaflet.

Stop means  
**STOP**

School  
Crossing  
Patrol  
Service



Road Safety **GB**

Information for Parents and Drivers

## Parents

Even where a School Crossing Patrol is provided, parents remain responsible for making sure their children get to school safely, just as they do when a zebra crossing or pelican crossing is provided.

### When children arrive at the Crossing Point:

- The Patrol will tell them to wait on the pavement and use the Stop sign as a barrier to prevent them from edging forward, until they are called across (see fig B overleaf).
- The Patrol will use the Stop sign to instruct traffic to stop (see fig C). The Patrol may need to wait for a safe gap in the traffic.  
**DO NOT FOLLOW THE PATROL INTO THE ROAD!**

- When the traffic has stopped the Patrol will call you to cross over (see fig D). Please walk in front of the Patrol so he or she can see you.
- The Patrol will remain in the centre of the road until all the children and adults have completed crossing the road.

## Drivers

When approaching a school you should reduce your speed and be prepared to stop, also be patient and considerate. School Crossing Patrols need to see and be seen! It can be difficult to see children on the pavement, especially if there are parked cars by the school. Children may run into the road without thinking about traffic.

### If you are a driver, remember:

- By law you **MUST** stop when signalled to do so by a Patrol displaying a Stop sign.
- School Crossing Patrols can stop traffic to cross any pedestrian, adult or child.
- Do not move forward and remain patient.
- Do not park close to where a Patrol is working and **NEVER** on the zigzag markings.
- Look out for signs or flashing amber lights which warn of a School Crossing Patrol ahead.

Park with courtesy and consideration to others, observing all parking regulations in accordance with the Highway Code and in such a way that our children are able to enter and leave the school safely.

It is an offence under the Road Traffic Regulations Act 1984 if you do not stop when signalled to do so by a School Crossing Patrol.

### If you do not stop the possible penalties include:

- A fine of up to £1,000
- 3 Penalty Points
- Disqualification

### Please slow down when approaching a patrol

Remember that a child struck at 20mph will most likely survive but at 40mph they will almost certainly die.



# SEN PARENT SUPPORT

*Because your voice matters!*

## Join us Wednesdays 9:15-11am

### 2026 Dates for your diary:

- 21<sup>st</sup> Jan - Parent Led
- 25<sup>th</sup> Feb - Lancashire FASD
- 18<sup>th</sup> Mar - Parent Led
- 15<sup>th</sup> Apr - Children & Family Wellbeing
- 13<sup>th</sup> May - Bee Unique
- 10<sup>th</sup> Jun - PAC
- 15<sup>th</sup> Jul - Parent Led
- 9<sup>th</sup> Sep - ADHD Northwest
- 7<sup>th</sup> Oct - Parent Led
- 4<sup>th</sup> Nov - Parent Led
- 9<sup>th</sup> Dec - Parent Led

### What's included:

- ✓ Refreshments
- ✓ Peer-to-Peer Support
- ✓ Advice & Signposting
- ✓ External organisations
- ✓ Friendly Team
- ✓ FREE to access

## Cheerful Kids Activity Club

An inclusive session for all ages to enjoy a variety of activities Saturdays 10am-12:30pm

**£3**

