



# The Burlington Bugle

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## For Information

- Please follow us on twitter @arkBDA\_primary
- Nursery/ Reception Christmas play – 13<sup>th</sup> December – 9am
- Year 1 Christmas play – 14<sup>th</sup> December – 9am
- Christmas lunch – 15<sup>th</sup> December – 12-1pm
- End of Term – 16<sup>th</sup> December – 1pm

**TRAINING DAY – 9<sup>TH</sup>**  
**DECEMBER – SCHOOL**  
**CLOSED**

## Attendance This Week

Potter 94%	Blake 90%	Pullman 96%	Dahl 96%	Donaldson <b>98%</b>
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Dear Parents/ Carers,

Our first ever Christmas fair took place this afternoon and I would like to thank all who helped put this together and all who attended. Being such a small school means that our budget is small and events like these make a huge difference to us. We can, with the money raised from events like these, buy the luxuries, subsidise trips out and visits from theatre companies to the school and ensure that we have all the resources necessary to give your children the best quality education.

In particular I would like to thank our fundraising committee who were not only the brainchild behind this event but who gave up precious time to plan so that the fair was such a great success.

We have also had a theatre company in this week to give Year 1 a few pointers on road safety. Please talk to your child about this and ask them how they can stay safe on the roads especially at this time of year when the days are short.

Don't forget that we have a training day next Friday and therefore the school is closed, there is information in the newsletter about child care if you need it.

Please read on as there is lots of information for you. Have a great weekend and see you all at 8.30am on Monday.

Lisa Crispin  
Principal

## Attendance & Punctuality

I am really sad that I have had to put this item above the Dear Parents sections, but attendance and punctuality are becoming a real issue for some. It is vitally important that your child attend on time each and every day. From now letters will be sent home to parents of children who are persistently absent and those who do not phone

or email the school to let us know reasons for absence. When attendance falls below 90% children are labelled as persistent absentees and this could trigger a visit from the Educational Welfare Officer.

Thank you very much to all parents who do get their children to school each day on time, this also helps the poor staff who are standing in the cold waiting for all children to arrive.

**Dear Nursery Parents,**

Potter class has learnt about Advent this week. We have been practising our Christmas songs for the Christmas play and we really are enjoying learning about the story of the Nativity.

We have been working on number recognition and we have been working in partners to help each other with the tricky ones.

We drew our favourite part of the story 'Room on the Broom' and we acted out a short piece. Please feel free to ask your child to show you, we are very proud of our work!

We have been learning the 'g' and 'o' sounds and we had so much fun writing and spotting these sounds in the classroom.

Miss Martin & the Nursery team

**Dear Reception Parents,**

This week in Reception we started to practice for our Christmas Show! In maths we used our knowledge of patterns, length and counting to create a paper chain that stretched across the entire classroom. In Literacy we learned a poem called 'Monkey Babies' and we learned a lot of fun facts about monkeys.

Miss Gunn, Miss Purcell & the Reception team

**Dear Year 1 Parents,**

This week in Literacy we have started learning about recounts and what they are. As a class we have come up with actions and produced a text map which will help us when we come to write our recounts about our trip to Pizza Express.

In Maths we have been continuing thinking about place value to aid addition that crosses ten. We have been grouping and regrouping ten from teen numbers and have also started looking at using this to aid subtraction.

We have been busy preparing for the Christmas show, learning new songs and practicing our parts for the play. On Thursday, we were also visited by a drama group that taught us all about the importance of crossing the road safely.

Miss Meade, Miss McKenna & the Year 1 team

### Change of PE Day

**To all Reception parents** don't forget that from next week – 7<sup>th</sup> December 2016 P.E. will take place on a Wednesday afternoon.



### Christmas Lunch

Our Christmas lunch is on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2016 between 12 & 1pm. If you would like to join us, please return the slip to the school office with the names of the people attending so that we can sort out logistics. All are welcome. Adult lunches will be charged at £3.50. We look forward to seeing you all there.

### Christmas Cards

Class lists have been put in book bags for those of you whose children wish to send Christmas cards to their friends. The Christmas post box is located in the school's reception area for you to post your cards. The Christmas elves will then deliver these at the end of each day. This is not compulsory so please do not feel that you have to send cards.



### Donations for the Christmas Hamper

In conjunction with the secondary school we are again making up hampers to take to a food bank in Shepherds Bush. If you would like to donate non-perishable goods please do so by bringing them into the school office.

### Tapestry

For those Reception and Nursery parents who returned the tapestry registration forms you can now access your child's learning journal, where you can see your child's progress at school and also upload any comments, pictures and videos showing progress at home. The log in address is <https://eylj.org/login/> and the password has been set as your child's first name and date of birth e.g. lisa25122016 (2 digits for date & month, 4 for the year).

### Spanish Club

Spanish club has moved and will now be located in the Nursery class. Your children will need to be picked up from this room on a Thursday at 5pm.

## Modelling Club

If you have any boxes, plastic bottles, egg cartons etc. to spare please bring them in as Miss Alcobia will be able to use them with her model making club which takes place on Tuesday from 4-5pm.

## P3

P3 are running a club at Ark Atwood on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December. If you are interested in this, please see the P3 staff after school any evening Monday-Friday in Donaldson classroom.



## Admissions

### **Admission to Reception:**

**This is for Nursery parents only** – The online admission form is available now at [www.lbhf.gov.uk/eadmissions](http://www.lbhf.gov.uk/eadmissions) or you can request a paper copy from the admissions team at Hammersmith and Fulham. The closing date for online applications is 11.59pm on the 15<sup>th</sup> January 2017. If you would like any help filling in this form or do not have access to a computer, please see either Miss Smith or Mrs Crispin.

### **In Year Admissions:**

**All parents** - We handle in year admissions directly, if you know of anyone who needs a place in either Reception or Year 1 for this year please point them in our direction.

## Height and weight measurement

All children in Reception will be weighed and measured as part of the National Child Measurement Programme (NCMP) which was set up to promote healthy weight in children. If you wish to opt out of this service, please inform us via email at [caroline.smith@burlingtondanes.org](mailto:caroline.smith@burlingtondanes.org)

## Lunch Menu

### **Week Beginning 5<sup>th</sup> December 2016**

Day	Non-vegetarian	Vegetarian	Side dishes	Pudding
<b>Monday</b>	Lamb Caribbean curry	Vegetable curry	Saffron rice & winter salad	Spiced orange bread & butter pudding
<b>Tuesday</b>	Roast lemon & thyme chicken	Vegetable cutlet	Roast potatoes, broccoli, cauliflower & carrots	Fresh fruit salad
<b>Wednesday</b>	Penne bolognaise	Quorn bolognaise	Garlic bread & salad	Chocolate & caramel profiteroles
<b>Thursday</b>	Hunters chicken in a tangy BBQ sauce	Brie, mushroom & spinach wellington	Roasted carrots & potato wedges	Raspberry ripple

**Friday**

**SCHOOL CLOSED – INSET DAY**

**Yoghurt, jelly or fresh fruit will be available each day as a pudding option**

If you wish to take up the vegetarian option on any day, please email Miss Smith at [caroline.smith@burlingtondanes.org](mailto:caroline.smith@burlingtondanes.org) . If not, we will assume you are opting for the non-vegetarian option.

Every pupil matters: Every lesson counts