



Learn more. Do more. Choose to be more.

'Working in Partnership'

Please read our Headteachers 'Welcome', 'Values' and 'Aims' on our website.

Newton Burgoland Primary School is a traditional family school. We place a high premium on good manners, good behaviour and learning together. Kindness, compassion, respect and accountability dictate our actions, to one another and to ourselves. Newton Burgoland Primary school is safe place to grow and to learn. Mistakes are an important part of life so we forgive and forget forging strong relationships with every member of our community.

We take pride in ourselves our achievements and value the little things in life. Childhood is so very precious, not a day can be wasted.

You are encouraged to join our community and to enjoy our friendship and support. Our amazing school has a lot to offer you and your family.

We are not just a school – we are a family.

We are all unique and together we are strong, bonded by kindness and friendship.

We are all safe and happy under one roof, protected from the elements and prepared to weather every storm.

Together we know that anything is possible both now and in the future. Collaboratively we achieve, seeing our future selves as resilient, respectful and responsible adults reflected in the eyes of others.

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Guiding Principles

All our pupils have the right to an education which is appropriate to them as individuals. As far as possible therefore it is our aim to minimise any difficulties that pupils will experience. We aim to achieve this by adopting three principles that are essential to developing a more inclusive curriculum.

Expectations

As a school we set clear expectations of our staff, our pupils and our parents. We create a collaborative, mutually supportive environment focused on ensuring that every child realises their potential.

Our Staff

We expect our staff to deeply believe that every pupil is capable of academic success at school and beyond. We expect staff to come to school prepared, engage pupils in their learning in an exciting way, and set appropriate homework. All of our staff are constantly striving to become better at helping children to learn and thrive..

All teaching staff follow the progress of their pupils and ensure that their individual needs are being met. All staff go out of their way to get to know pupils as individuals.

Our Pupils

We expect our pupils to:

- Believe that they are capable of academic success
- Arrive at school on time every day, wearing their school uniform
- Always work, think, and behave in the best way they know how, and do whatever it takes to learn
- Complete all their homework on time and speak to their teacher if they have a problem
- Discuss any issues they are having at school with their teacher or a school adult
- Follow our Behaviour policy

Our Parents

At Newton Burgoland we believe that children will only realise their potential when a true 'partnership' exists between school and home. We know that every parent wants the very best for their child and we work hard to ensure clear lines of communication between staff and parents.

We expect parents to: -

- Talk to us if they are at all worried
- Believe that their child is capable of academic success
- Ensure that their child is in school on time every day, wearing their uniform
- Commit to allowing their child to go on school trips
- Plan healthy meals, encourage healthy eating habits, create regular routines and make sure their child gets enough sleep
- Not take their child out of school during term time
- Attend parents evenings, school events and curriculum meetings
- Read with their child each day
- Support their child with: -
 - Completing and handing in homework on time
 - Learning spellings
 - Practicing Times Tables and playing maths games
- Support our before and after school clubs
- Support our Parents and Friends Association

Please read the following sections on the school website: -

Attendance

Pupils with attendance below 92% will be invited to meet with us to look at how we can help.

Partnership in Learning

The following are a few rules and expectations in place for the wellbeing, education, security, health and safety of all pupils and staff:

- **Do check any information that your child brings home verbally, with us.** It is easy to jump to conclusions based on your child's version of events. We are all human, mistakes are made occasionally, these are unintentional and in no way detract from the high levels of care and concern we practice when working with all our pupils and families
- **Do please treat everyone in our school community with respect;** violence, threatening behaviour and abuse against school staff or other members of the school community will not be tolerated – action will be taken under Section 547 of the Education Act 1996

- **Do arrive on time at the start and end of day.** The school day starts at 8.45. Your child should be ready to enter school at this time. The school day finishes at 3.15. Please do not take advantage of our goodwill by arriving late to collect your child; except in very exceptional circumstances, or by prior arrangement.
- **Do make sure that your child is fit for school and ready to learn** after a good night's sleep, with all the kit that they require. (PE kit, music books and instruments, reading books and reading records, coats, sunhats, sun cream, sweaters, water bottles and fruit (KS2))
- **Do provide packed lunches that will support your child's learning.** Fizzy, sugary drinks and an excess of sugary or salty snacks are detrimental to afternoon learning. **Packed lunches should be peanut free** to support a member of staff with a severe peanut allergy. To support our school recycling scheme please ensure your child brings home their lunch waste e.g. yoghurt pots, as we are unable to recycle items unless they are washed first.
- **Do collect pupils** from the front gates at 3:15pm for classes 1 & 2, 3:20pm for classes 3 & 4. **Pre-school children should not be allowed to play on the play equipment in playground or the netball posts at the front of the school.**
- **Do purchase a school book bag and PE bags.** Other types of bag create a hazard in our corridors.
- **Do name your child's uniform, book bag & PE bag**
- **Do notify us, by phone or in writing,** if your child is being collected by someone else. Forms are available from the foyer.
- **Do complete a medical form** if your child needs to take medicine in the school day – we voluntarily administer medicine with a completed & signed form.
- **Do keep your child at home for 48 hours after vomiting and diarrhoea – see [Health & Safety](#) section of the website**
- **Do let us know if you need some help** understanding or getting to grips with 'modern' methods of teaching; especially in maths
- **Do listen to your child read.** Your support will make a big difference.
- **Do join our school clubs;** they are only viable if sufficient numbers join in.
- **Do let us know about changes to home circumstances**
- **Do share any worries you have about school with us**
- **Do park safely,** away from the zigzag lines
- **Do support our 'No smoking' policy** on the school site and at school events (for example sport events).
- **Do keep dogs off the school site**