



NEWSLETTER

13th February 2026 Issue 20

Happy Half Term!

Enjoy a week off with family and friends – we will see you back in school on Monday 23rd February
Don't forget Shrove Tuesday – 17th February – enjoy your pancakes!

'Together as a Cams Lane family, we will inspire everyone to reach their potential. Guided by our 5 Rs, we will develop independent learners with the awareness of the world around them, ready for the challenges of the future. We will nurture relationships that build confidence and pride within each person.'

Internet Safety Day: Children did a range of activities including taking part in the BBC Live Lesson in KS2 and follow up activities on the use of AI.

Year 6 had a range of challenges including designing their own AI Chat bot

Reception class linked their work to the UNICEF Rights of the child - the right to privacy

Year 2 completed rules of what you should and shouldn't do online.

New Arbor Parent Portal: It is really important that all parents/carers register and download the Arbor Parent app as our text messaging service has now ended. If you haven't received a welcome email from Arbor, please contact the school office. You will need to download the Arbor App and enable push notifications. All after school Activity clubs are now booked through the Arbor App. After half term, trips will also move across to the Arbor app. Any Y6 Robinwood payments already made will show as a starting balance on Arbor. We will notify you when this is implemented, until then you can continue making payments via Scopay.

[Getting started - Log into the Parent Portal and the Parent App](#)

Forest School: We are sad to inform you that our Forest School link with "Nature Wild" and Tamsin has come to an end due to the financial sustainability of the project.

However we recognise the huge impact and enjoyment of all children with the concept of Forest School and we will endeavour to get this up and running again in the immediate future.

Happy Retirement: We sadly said goodbye to Mrs Hallows yesterday who has worked in our school kitchen for the last 28 years! She was presented with various gifts and as it was also her birthday, the children sang Happy Birthday to her. We thank her for her dedicated service to the school and wish her a happy retirement. She will be very sorely missed by the children & staff at Cams Lane.



Congratulations!

Golden Book Award: YR: Ethan Y1: Cathy Y2: Nico

Y3: Maisie Y4: Elliot Y5: Isaac Y6: Isla

Lunchtime Awards: Y2 Alfie B Y3 Amelia B

Attendance Awards: YR 97.3% Y4 98%

SEND/Mental Health Information

Mental Health Week: We had an introductory assembly from Nicole (MHST practitioner) all about a sense of belonging and also the emotions of feeling worried and the feeling of being anxious – and how different they are

Year 3 and Year 5 also had a workshop from Nicole on Friday

We are sad to say goodbye to Nicole and welcome back to Amelia who has been on maternity leave. Amelia will be working with us again after half term.

Save The Date:

Don't forget our SEND Coffee morning - Friday 13th March at 9.30am. Drop in for coffee & chat and meet Dottie our School Dog!



Swimming: Well done to our Year 4 and Year 5 classes who have been swimming – lots of badges and certificates awarded.

TTRS: Well done to those who have started on their multiplication practice and games on TTRS. We have our first certificates to give out this week.

Our teachers can closely track progress and all improvements.

Pupil Voice Y3:

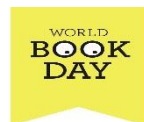
“I've really enjoyed Art – making Egyptian Scrolls.”

“I love being in choir and going to places like Hollybank care home”

Upcoming Events

(Check the Diary Dates & Letters to Parents on the Website)

Y6 Parents Evening: Monday 2nd March 2026 2pm – 7pm Bookings are now available on the Arbor Parent Portal.



WORLD BOOK DAY: Thursday 5th March - Children can dress up as any book character or dress up of their choice



Y2 Parents That Lunch: Thursday 19th March. Details of how to book nearer the time.

RED NOSE DAY: Friday 20th March: Children can wear red and red noses a £1 donation.



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Scholastic Book Fair: Monday 23rd to Thursday 26th March.

Y6 Crucial Crew: This is a Multi-Agency Safety event for Y6. A letter will be sent home with full details after half term

Diary Dates

Friday 13th February	School Now Closed For Half Term
Monday 23rd February	School Re-opens
Monday 2nd March	Y6 Parents Evening 2pm – 7pm
Thursday 5th March	World Book Day – Children welcome to dress up!
Friday 13th March	 SEND Coffee Morning 9.30am
Thursday 19th March	Y2 Parents That Lunch 
Friday 20th March	 Red Nose Day Donation of £1 on Arbor
Monday 23rd March	Reception Stay & Play 9am – 10am
Monday 23rd March	 Scholastic Book Fair Mon – Thurs 3.15pm – 3.45pm
Monday 31st March	Y6 Crucial Crew

Bury's Essential Parent App

Briefing Sessions

Come along to find out more about how you can support anyone caring for or supporting babies, toddlers, children or young people to have free access to evidence-based health and parenting information.

Wednesday 21st January 12:30–1.15pm

Thursday 22nd January 9.30–10.15am

Tuesday 27th January 12.30-1.15pm

All briefings are via M.S. Teams.

Please contact t.coatman@bury.gov.uk for the link



The graphic features the NHS Bury Council logo at the top right. Below it, the text 'Scan QR code and download for free' is positioned above two QR codes. The top QR code is labeled 'Apple' and the bottom one 'Android'. To the left of the QR codes, the app's title 'Bury's Essential Parent App' is displayed in large red font, followed by the tagline 'Expert Health and Parenting Advice Anytime, Anywhere'. Below this, four bullet points with red checkmarks list app features: '2000+ articles and videos', 'Health information from pregnancy to teenage years for you and your family', 'Available in over 75 languages', and 'Receive the latest local health and parenting advice'. At the bottom left, the 'essential parent' logo is shown. On the far left, three smartphone screens display the app's interface, including a 'Welcome!' screen, a 'Pregnancy Health' page, a 'Breastfeeding' page, and a 'Child's next health' page.

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ATTENDANCE

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

10 IN 10

If your child is absent for 10 or more sessions in 10 weeks and their absences 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



+£160



+£160



+£160



+£160

4 children &
2 parents =
£1,280

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within 21 days

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

SECOND TIME

2 parents and

1 child = £320

2 children = £640

3 children = £960

4 children = £1,280

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