Burton Salmon CP School

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Dear Parent/Carers,

Welcome to the start of a new school year at Burton Salmon and our first newsletter of 2025! We hope you all had a lovely Summer and are as excited as we are to be back. Every two weeks a newsletter will be sent out with recent events, important information and key dates.

Firstly we would like to share a message from our Executive Headteacher Ms Keeler

Last term, the governors shared that Hensall was considering becoming an academy and joining the Pathfinder Trust. This change would also see the school become the fourth member of The White Rose Federation, which has been providing support to Hensall since November 2023.

The process of becoming an academy is a long one and the consultation process at Hensall will not begin until later this term. This situation also feels very different compared to when we have formally joined with other schools in the past, or indeed our own academisation journey, as the process to join Pathfinder is solely between Hensall and Pathfinder Trust.

Regardless of the outcome, staffing across all four schools will remain stable for this academic year, as structures have been secured and confirmed. We are excited to continue our focus on academic progress and moving all schools forward.

Parents of children in the federation will receive a Google questionnaire before the October half term. This survey will collect feedback on our partnership with Hensall and general feedback about each school. We would appreciate it if you could take the time to complete it, as your responses are crucial for our ongoing school improvement efforts.

Suzanne Keeler

Executive Headteacher
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What's New at Burton Salmon

- We would like to welcome all our new starters throughout the school and introduce our new members of staff,

Miss Elford - Class 2

Miss Murden - Pippins Breakfast Club & Class 1 Teaching Assistant

Mrs North - Admin Officer

- We are now entering our 3rd week with our new catering company Hutchison Catering, I hope you all agree that our cook Mrs Kynman is providing varied and delicious meals for our children.

If your child would like to try a school dinner (universally free to all children in Reception, Year 1, and Year 2) and at a charge of £2.85 for children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6, please contact the school office.

We can be flexible with your child's preferred choice and pattern of meals, incorporating both packed lunches and school dinners.

If you would like to see if your child is eligible for Free School Meals (FSM) please visit Synergy - Enquiry (northyorks.gov.uk)

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Pippins Breakfast Club (Reception-Year 6) is now open from 7:30am, you do not need to book ahead, Miss Murden will be ready to welcome you at the red door. Children must be brought to the door by an adult, signed in and handed over to a member of staff; please do not park on the road and allow your child to enter the school grounds by themselves.

Pippin Breakfast Club Costs

From 7:30am - £6.00

From 7:45am - £5.75

From 8am - £4.50

Our Orchard Afterschool Club (Reception - Year 6) runs from 3:30pm until 5:30pm. This club must be booked by contacting the school office. Please ring the OOSC doorbell at the red playground door and your child/children will be brought to you to be collected and signed out by Parents/Carers.

Orchard Club Costs

Until 4:30pm - £5

Until 5:30pm - £10

Recent Events at Burton Salmon

- We are very lucky to already have had a visit from Twig (our therapy dog).

Twig visited each classroom listening to readers and helping with classwork. We are so privileged to be able to host these sessions, whilst Twig is a fully trained therapy dog, she also has commitments as a busy, working gun dog throughout the winter season.

- Last Friday Year 5 & 6 visited Eden Camp, below is a short write up of their experience.

On Friday the 12th of September year 5 and 6 went on a trip to Eden Camp, Malton. There were only 22 huts in total but we went to 19 huts. Our favourite rooms were the Blitz and the Human Torpedo. The Human Torpedo was when people would dive under boats and place an explosive bomb under and explode the enemy's boat. The Blitz was about the fire that broke out while the war continued to commence. While we were exploring the museums it was sadly raining so we had to quickly make our way from one hut to another. At twelve o'clock we ate in the mess hall so we could carry on looking in the huts. Many of the huts had lots of information about Adolf Hitler who fought in Germany.

India says 'I was in a group with a teacher from Chapel Haddlesey and we saw lots of creepy mannequins throughout the day'.

Jess & India (Y6)

Extra Curricular Activities

Autumn Term 1 Clubs - Places still available on all clubs!

Day	Club	Teaching Staff	Year groups	Maximum places	Cost
Monday	**SATs Club for Y6 pupils** (3.30pm – 4.30pm)	Mr Bealey	Year 6	12	**Free of charge for 7 sessions**
Tuesday	**Cookery Club** (3.30pm – 4.45pm)	Mrs Smith	Y3 to Y6	10 places	£4.50 per week **£31.50 per 7 weeks**
Wednesday	**Young Voices Club** (3.30pm – 4.30pm)	Miss Elford	Y3 to Y6		£4.50 per week **£31.50 per 7 weeks**
Thursday	**Basketball / Netball** (3.30pm - 4.30pm)	First Step PE	Y2 to Y6	30	£4.50 per week **£31.50 per 7 weeks**

The Young Voices Concert is on the 29th January 2026 and what an event it will be! An opportunity for your child to perform at Sheffield Arena, it really is a special event. It's not too late to join and sing your heart out along with thousands of other primary school children.

Dates for your Diary So Far…..

Date	Event
Wednesday 24th September	Class 1 Victorian Experience Day
Thursday 25th September	Nursery Open Day - please contact the office.
Thursday 25th September	Year 2, 3 & 4 Multi Skills Sports Festival - Hensall
Wednesday 8th October	Imran from the Interfaith Centre, Bradford visiting for Islam Workshop
Monday 20th October	Class 1 'Open Classroom' 2:45pm, for all Class 1 parents to see the classroom and work.
Tuesday 21st October	Hate Crime Awareness - Visit from PC Joe Spooner
Wednesday 22nd October	Harvest Festival
Friday 31st October	Deadline for Secondary School Applications (Year 6)
Monday 10th November	Vaccination UK - Flu Immunisation

Nursery Open Day - Thursday 25th September

Burton Salmon welcomes you to come and see our excellent nursery provision, speak with Mrs Marwood and experience time in our nursery setting. We accept children from the age of 3 (funding applied in the term following their 3rd birthday).

Parents have the flexibility of registering for a 9.00am, 12 noon or 1pm start time on any day to access the sessions of their choice.

If you have queries or questions please do not hesitate to reach out via email office.burton@wrfed.pmat.academy or call 01977 672405

Useful Information

Throughout the school year we are sent lots of information from different companies and organisations below is a selection that may be of interest to you.

- **Autumn Series of Free Parenting Clinics** is kicking off this month. The first one is:

Boundaries that Build Connection

📅 Monday 22nd September

🕛 12.00 pm (noon)

📍 Online via Zoom

30 minutes, free to attend

In this clinic, I'll be exploring how parents can set boundaries without battles, and how those boundaries can actually *strengthen the connection* between parent and child. Staff, Parents and Carers can register here: https://anisalewis.as.me/theclinic (And if they can't join live, they'll automatically get the replay).

- A letter from the Prime Minister Sir Keir Starmer

  https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/2025/09/prime-ministers-letter-to-parents-and-carers-on-best-start-in-life/

- Best Start in Life provides some helpful guidance on starting school / nursery. Please visit the website to find out more

  https://www.beststartinlife.gov.uk/

- **Selby Music Centre** is launching some new groups this September on Saturday mornings at Barlby and Osgodby Methodist Church and we would like to invite your children to take part!

8.45 -9.30 Selby Music Makers - a fun group for ages 4 to 7 to develop general musical skills and introduce children to different musical instruments during the year to start them off on their musical journeys.

beginner violin group – 11.15 – 11.45 and beginner keyboards group - free taster sessions available and then a small fee payable after half term. This is an inexpensive way to explore learning an instrument and to get ready for ''proper'' lessons! Places are limited so please get in touch.

We also have availability in our other groups:

9.45 – 11.00 Beginners to grade 2 **guitar** and **ukulele** group, wind group (**woodwind** and **brass**), **strings** and **keyboards** group. **Theory** lessons – free to those already in a group.

11.15 – 12.30 Grade 2 and above **Senior Strings** and **flutes**, **folk/rock** group (guitars, keyboards, flutes, percussion), **Selby Youth Choir** (Y2 to Y9)

If you have a child who would be interested in a **pre-school music group** 8.45 – 9.30 on a Saturday, please let me know! Selby Music Centre is part of the North Yorkshire Music Service**Contact: helen.moulds@northyorks.gov.uk northyorkshiremusichub.co.uk**