



Hello Guid Freen

Happy New Year!

At the end of this month, we will be celebrating **Burns Night**.



Burns Night celebrates the Scottish poet, Robert Burns. He's often called Rabbie. During the late 1700s, he was as famous in Belfast as he was in Scotland. His poems were sought after, read, memorised and recited by many in the Ulster-Scots community.

We celebrate his poems on his birthday every year; **25th January**.

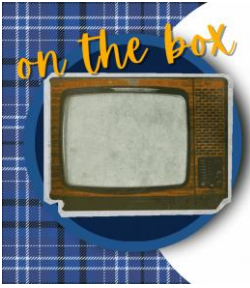



Why not explore some of the Robert Burns resources linked in this email and share this creative literary part of Ulster-Scots Cultural Heritage in your classroom?

BBC Bitesize has animated [Up in the Morning Early by Robert Burns](#), perfect to introduce primary school pupils to Robert's poems.



"... the birds sit chittering in the thorn..."

Find out more about Robert's life & Burns Night by watching the videos linked below.

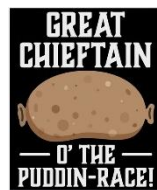
			
Robert Burns	The Story of Robert Burns	What is Burns Night	

More Resources

[Belfast's Bonnie Burns | Discover Ulster-Scots](#)

[Burns Night - Twinkl](#)

[Burns Night 2025 resources - BBC Teach](#)



The Selkirk Grace and the 'Address to a Haggis'

are always read at Burns Night. Why not create your own Burns Celebration in class and [listen](#) to Matthew read the grace. You can find Address to a Haggis [here](#).

Check out the podcast [Burns Banter – A Fresh Look at Burns](#) from Alistar Turnbull as he chats about Robbie's poems and share some stories about him. He has translated the poems into modern English to make them easier to understand. The [Address to a Haggis](#) episode gives a great insight into this famous Burns Supper traditions and poem!



Burns Celebrations near you

Burns Night Suppers

[Ulster Folk Museum, Kilkeel](#)

[Robert Burns Festival](#)

Brady Ulster-Scots Centre, Strabane

Check out these **You-tube** channels and our [Discover Ulster-Scots](#) website for many more resources.

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Taak soon

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