

# **Busbridge CE Junior School**

## Newsletter

Autumn Term 2017 No: 7

17th November 2017

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#### **Dates for Your Diary**

#### Nov 17

w/c 20th Nov Year 6 Bikeability L2 Group 3 & 4 Tues 21st Parents' evening 6.00pm-8.30pm Wed 22nd Y3 & Y5 Football Tournament at Tillingbourne School Thurs 23rd Parents' evening 4.00pm-6.30pm Fri 24th Mufti day for Christmas fair for donations of luxury hamper raffle items w/c 27th Nov Year 6 Bikeability L2 Group 5 & 6 w/c 27th Nov Travelling Book Fair in school Mon 27th Y5 & Y6 Cross Country event at **Barrow Hills School** Mon 27th Netball match at St Hilary's School Wed 29th Year 6 trip to Haslemere Museum Wed 29th Maths Workshop for parents at 7pm in school Thurs 30th Class 5M to visit Busbridge Church (letter to follow) **Dec 17** Fri 1st Mufti day for Christmas fair: Y3/Y4 Sweets for tombola Y5/Y6 cakes & Christmas Bakes Sat 2nd Friends Christmas Fair 12pm - 2pm Thurs 7th Class 5W to visit Busbridge Church (letter to follow) Fri 8th Munstead House fundraiser Sat 9th School choir to sing at 'Churches Together' at the Pepperpot at 2pm Wed 13th **Christmas Assemblies** 9.30am - Year 3 & 4/ 11.00am - Year 5 & 6 Wed 13th School choir to sing at 'Senior Moments' Christmas party at Godalming Baptist church Thurs 14th **Christmas Assemblies** 9.30am - Year 5 & 6/ 11.00am - Year 3 & 4 Fri 15th School Christmas Lunch & Film

#### **AUTUMN TERM 2017**

4th September to 21st December 2017 **INSET day Monday 30th October** 

SPRING TERM 2018 4th January to 29th March 2018 Half term: 12th to 16th February 2018

#### **SUMMER TERM 2018**

16th April to 23rd July 2018 Half term: 28th May to 1st June 2018 **INSET Day Monday 23rd July** \*\*One remaining INSET date to set\*\*

#### Peace DoubleDay

This time last week we were in the midst of our Peace DoubleDay. This new learning event was such a success, with so much positive feedback from parents, children and staff. Hopefully you received a flavour of what the children learnt from chatting to them. We are in the process of making displays of some work created over the two days, and this will be up in school for you to look at.

A focus and real joy of the two days was seeing the children exploring values linked to peace alongside children from a range of year groups. So many children since then have said that they have made new friends and that they say "hello" when they see them around school.

In our 'Peace' assemblies we listened to Michael Jackson's song 'Man in the Mirror', reflecting on the lines "If you want to make the world a better place, take a look at yourself and make that change". We also reflected on the words of Jesus : "treat others as you would like to be treated".

The success of our first DoubleDay has certainly encouraged us to plan for others throughout the year. More info to follow...

#### **Poppy Display and Poppy Appeal**

I have been bowled over by the array of poppies that have been brought in by the children for our poppy remembrance



display. Thank you so much for the time and care that you have put in at home to produce such a varied and creative ensemble of poppies. The fact that so many have been made with a specific person in mind makes them even more special. The display is in the school hall, so please do pop in to see it if you can. We will be returning the poppies to you by the end of November.

Thank you to all the children who helped sell poppies in the school playground last week. The donations have been collected in aid of the Royal British Legion Appeal.

#### **Class 6E Assembly**

Class 6E entertained the school and parents in their assembly on Wednesday. They recounted the year 6 residential trip by re-enacting some of the challenges including archery, balance beam and giant swing to show off what they had learned. Many thanks to friends and family who came to watch and to 'stunt monkey' for risking the giant swing!

#### **Parents' Evenings**



We have received lots of positive comments from parents about the new online booking system, and we look forward to seeing you at parents' evenings next week. Please make sure you arrive in plenty of time to

see your child/children's work in their classrooms as we would very much like for the appointments with the teachers to run to time. Please also note the village hall carpark is not available for parking.

#### Inter-School Cross Country Race at Glebelands

It was certainly damp on the day of the race (Saturday 11 November), but that did not deter our 32 strong team from giving it their all! A huge well done to all our runners and spectators for a superb morning of athletic endeavour. We came second overall in the Girls group, and our highest placed team was our Year 3 & 4 Girls who came joint top in their category. Our Year 5 & 6 Boys and Year 5 & 6 Girls teams came second in their categories. The names of our runners are as follows (numbers in brackets indicate if they finished in the medal place for their team):

Year 3: Thomas, Belle, Phoebe, Edward, James, Scarlett, Luchia (2<sup>nd</sup>)

Year 4 : Elizabeth (1<sup>st</sup>), Ella, Bea, Michael, Thomas, Henry, Matilda, Fraser (1<sup>st</sup>) Year 5: Liana, Sophie (6<sup>th</sup>), Oliver, Lucy, Alfie M (4<sup>th</sup>), Sam, Archie R, Eleanor

Year 6: Max, Sam P, Richie, Finlay, Tom, James, Sam E (6<sup>th</sup>), Lois (4<sup>th</sup>), Ethan

#### **Football Match**

On Wednesday after school, Busbridge Junior School contested a highly entertaining 2-2 draw against local rivals Godalming Junior School. Our team were 2-0 up within minutes following excellent pressure from the midfield and forwards which allowed us to snatch possession, and for Neo Currie to bag the goals. A late rally from the visitors saw them equalise with the last kick of the game. Well played to all the year 6 players and thank you to Mr Evans for organising the match.

#### Judo Festival

On Thursday twenty children from our school took part in the first Waverley & Guildford School's Judo Festival which we hosted as a school. It was a chance for children who have never experienced the Olympic Sport and martial art to have a go. Having learnt how to fall safely and control each other first, they had a go at 'throwing each other' (gently!), wrestle and learn some of the etiquette and Japanese terms of Judo. The children were awesome, and managed to get to grips with a wide range of techniques during the session. A special mention has to go to Amelia Alder from year 6 for helping out, and for taking great pleasure in throwing her coach (Pete!) several times during the demonstrations! Thank you to Pete Swettenham who ran the session, and to SW Surrey School Games Organiser Ally Reid for helping to put the event on. Hopefully there will be opportunities to run more of these festivals for different sports with other local schools.

#### **Richard Catchpole - Headteacher**



The amount for the half term 31st October to 21st December will be:

Year 3 : £85.50

Year 4 :£85.50

Year 5 : £83.25 (taking into account Y5 Preston Manor trip)

Year 6 : £83.25 (taking into account Y6 Haslemere

Museum trip)

Please remember to regularly check and top up your school meal accounts.

We would like to remind you that it is Surrey County Council policy that school meals should be paid for <u>in ad-</u> <u>vance</u>. Please remember to top up your account on Parentmail regularly.

We prefer you to pay through ParentMail PMX but if you wish to pay for school meals by cheque these should be payable to "Surrey County Council".

### Short Breaks for SEN and Disabled Children

Surrey County Council is holding events across Surrey for parents to meet people and organisations that run fun play, overnight activities, Saturday clubs, leisure and holiday schemes in your local area for children and young people with Special Educational Needs and disabilities. The last session is running on **Wednesday 16th November** at Ashtead Peace Memorial Hall from 9.30am to 11.00am. Come along for a coffee, meet other parents and find out what's available near you! If you have any questions contact the team on 01372 832896, email shortbreaks@surreycc.gov.uk or find out more online at www.surreycc.gov.uk/shortbreaks

Busbridge Breakfast & After-school Care Club Mrs Jackie McPhail - 07432 304562

Email: jmcphail@busbridge-junior.surrey.sch.uk Times and costs:

Breakfast Club from 7.50am - 8.45am @ £5 After-school club half session 3.30-4.45pm @ £6.50 After-school club full session 3.30-6.00pm @ £13





