

Busbridge Junior School

Newsletter

Spring Term 2016 No: 1

15th January 2016

With God we dream, learn, achieve and celebrate together

Assemblies

Our themes for assemblies this half term: **British Values and Humility**

Dates for Your Diary

January 2016

Fri 15th **Deadline for Primary School applications** Tues 19th Class 5E Parents' evening 4-6.30pm

Wed 20th Year 3 Fossil workshop Thurs 21st Class 5W Class Assembly 9.15am

Thurs 21st Sportshall Athletics at Broadwater

1pm - 3pm

Thurs 21st Class 5E Parents' evening 6-8.30pm

February 2016

Tues 2nd Year 3 & 4 Rainbow Theatre workshops Wed 3rd Drop off for Phil the Bag after school

Thurs 4th Collection for Phil the Bag Fri 5th 'Wear It Beat It' Mufti Day

Fri 5th Friends of Busbridge Quiz Night 7.30pm

Fri 12th **INSET Day**

Mon 15th to

Fri 19th HALF TERM HOLIDAY

Mon 22nd Back to school

Wed 24th School Disco (more details to follow)

March 2016 Mon7th to

Wed 9th Year 4 Residential trip to Sayers Croft

Autumn Term 2015

2nd September to 18th December 2015 Half term 26th to 30th October 2015

Spring Term 2016

5th January to 24th March 2016 Half term 15th to 19th February 2016

Summer Term 2016

11th April to 22nd July 2016 Half term 30th May to 3rd June 2016

INSET Days to come

Tuesday 5th January 2016 Friday 12th February 2016 11th April 2016 Monday



Staffing News...

We are delighted to welcome David Evans back to school after his hip operation. Mr Evans has had a phased return to school, and begins his first full week back next week. Thank you to Mrs Davies for working with 5E during Mr Evans' absence.

Sadly, we will be saying goodbye to one of our Learning Support Assistants at the end of next week. Mrs Katie Hacker has been with us for the last 5 years, and as well as supporting children in class, she has been a lunch time supervisor, and has dedicated many hours to gardening around the school. Mrs Hacker has been a valued member of the After School Club team, and has also helped to run the children's gardening club. We are sure you will join with us in wishing her all the best in her new career with Surrey Police. We are in the process of recruiting new Learning Support Assistants, and will advise you of the appointments in due course.

Congratulations go to Miss Sammie McPhail, a valued member of our Learning Support and After School Club teams, who has completed her Level 3 Diploma in Specialist Support in Teaching and Learning. She passed with outstanding feedback which is a fantastic result - well done Sammie!

Spring Term Curriculum Information...

This term's curriculum information sheets are now available for each year group. These can be found on our school website in the Pupils and Learning section under each year group. If you should require a paper copy please ask the school office.

Coat and PE Kit Reminder...

In the cold weather please could you ensure that your child has a coat in school every day. The children are outside at break and lunch time so do require a warm coat to wear. Similarly, PE lessons are outside once a week, and it would be beneficial for all children to have a tracksuit for these sessions if possible.

'Wear It Beat It' Mufti Day - Friday 5th February



On Friday 5th February the children may come in to school wearing something red. This to support the British Heart Foundation's Campaign 'Wear It Beat It'. This event is being held at the request of Sophie Smith in 5E. The charity is close to her heart as her brother Rocky has a heart condition. Foundation In exchange for wearing something red we ask the children to make a donation of 50p to the British

Heart Foundation. Please could they hand the money to their class teacher on the day. Thank you in advance for your support.

Friends of Busbridge Junior School Quiz Night - Friday 5th February

The Friends of Busbridge Junior School Quiz Night is coming up on Friday 5th February with quiz master Adam Samson asking the questions. The quiz night flyer was emailed out to parents yesterday with full details, and is also attached with this newsletter. Tickets can be purchased from www.thelittleboxoffice.net/busbridgejuniorpta, or by dropping the ticket request form into the school office by Friday 29th January.

Phil the Bag - drop off bags afternoon of Wednesday 3rd at bike shed area for collection Thursday 4th February

We have another Phil the Bag coming up on Wednesday 3rd and 4th February which is such an easy way to raise funds for the school. We need at least 40 bags to qualify for a collection, so if you have any clothing, bed linen, towels, curtains, shoes or bags that you don't want anymore please fill a bag and bring it in on the afternoon of Wednesday 3rd February for collection on Thursday 4th February.



Literacy Young Writer Competition

This is a reminder about this years Young Writer's competition organised by Godalming Rotary Club which is open to every child in the school to take part in if they wish to - entries to be submitted to school by Friday 5th February 2016. A letter was emailed out to parents in all year groups last term from Mrs Barker with details, and introduced to the children in assembly. The piece of writing will not be done in school, so please do encourage your child to take part using their writing and imaginative skills to create their entry at home. In

2014 one of our Year 5 children won the local and district category, and was awarded 2nd place at National level.

Sportshall Athletics - Thursday 21st January

On the afternoon of Thursday 21st January a group of children from Years 5 and 6 are taking part in a Sportshall Athletics competition at Broadwater School, competing against 7 other local schools. Thank you to all those children who signed up. Unfortunately, we are unable to take everyone but we wish good luck to all those taking part. Thank you to Miss Warner for organising our team.



Match Attax Cards

Unfortunately we had a few problems with Match Attax cards, and we had to ask the children not to bring them to school. Mrs Barker has since done some work with the children, and together we have established some rules for playing Match Attax in school. As of next week the children may bring their Match Attax cards in on a **THURSDAY ONLY**, and some of the Year 6 prefects will be helping to facilitate the games on the playground on this day. At the moment we are limiting this to one day a week with a view to extending the number of days once we have evaluated the success of our new system.

School Meals:

The amount for the next half term 6th January to 11th February is:



(£2.15 per day, £10.75 per week) Year 3, 4, 5 & 6: £58.05

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

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

Busbridge Breakfast & After-school Care Club

Mrs Jackie McPhail—**07432 304562**

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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

School Dinner Money Payments

Thank you to those parents who have responded to reminders, and have settled outstanding dinner money. As you know, it is Surrey County Council policy that school meals should be paid for <u>in advance</u>, and therefore from this term if arrears build up we may ask you to provide packed lunches for your child.











