

# **Busbridge CofE Junior School**

# Newsletter

# Autumn Term 2022 No: 1

#### 16th September 2022

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#### Term Dates 2022/23

Autumn 2022		
Mon 19th Sept	Bank Holiday	
Tues 20th Sept	PTA Annual General Meeting—7.30pm	
Mon 26th Sept	Year 4 Swimming starts	
Tues 4th Oct	Harvest Festival	
Mon 17th Oct	Year 6 Bikeability Starts	
Tues 18th Oct	Year 3 trip to Butser Ancient Farm	
Wed 19th Oct	Parents' Evening 4pm—6.30pm	
Thurs 20th Oct	Parents' Evening 6pm—8.30pm	
Mon 24th Oct to Fri 28th Oct	Half Term	
Mon 31st Oct	Inset Day	
Thurs 3rd and Fri 4th Nov	Art Double Day	
Fri 4th Nov	PTA Fireworks Night	
Mon 7th Nov	Rearranged Y6 residential—Windmill Hill	
Thurs 10th Nov	Year 5 trip to Preston Manor	
Fri 11th Nov	Year 6 home from residential trip	
Wed 16th Nov	Year 6 trip to Haslemere Museum	
Fri 2nd Dec	Flu Vaccinations	
Thurs 8th Dec and Fri 9th Dec	Christmas Plays	
Tues 13th Dec	Christmas Church Service	
Fri 16th Dec	Wishing Service and end of term	
Spring 2023		
Tues 3rd Jan	First day of Term	
Fri 10th Feb	Inset Day	
Mon 13th Feb to Fri 17th Feb	Half Term	
Fri 31st March	Last day of term	



Welcome back to all our families and an extra special welcome to all our new year 3 children, parents and new staff members! We hope everyone had a fun-filled

Summer break. I have been so impressed with how all the children have settled back into school life—there has been a definite buzz around the school over the last 2 weeks, with lots of laughter and excitement. It has been lovely to hear! Our year 6 buddies have been doing a great job in helping our new year 3's settle into junior school life and it seems everyone is happy in their new classrooms.

We have tried to keep it 'business as usual' for the children over the last week, despite the incredibly sad news of Her Majesty the Queen's passing. We held two special assemblies thinking about the passing of the Queen and then the accession of King Charles.

#### **Parents Evenings'**

Autumn term Parents' Evenings will be held on Wednesday 19th (4pm—6.30pm) and Thursday 20th October (6pm—8.30pm) 'face to face' in person in the school hall. The purpose of the meeting is an opportunity to meet your child's class teacher and discuss your child's progress so far this term. Booking will be available on Arbor from Tuesday 4th October.

#### Snacks in School & Packed Lunches

Just a gentle reminder that any food brought into school must contain **no nuts** or **sesame seeds**. This is very important due to children in school with allergies.

#### Have you thought about joining our wonderful PTA?

The PTA (Friends of Busbridge Junior) is a great way to be more involved in school life. The Friends organise numerous events throughout the year such as Fireworks, the Christmas Fair, Quiz Night, School Disco and the Summer BBQ, which all combine fundraising with opportunities to socialise with other parents and the wider community.

The roles we still need to fill this year are:

- \*\* PTA Co-Chair
- \*\* PTA Vice Chair
- \*\* PTA Secretary
- \*\* Class reps for both Year 4 classes and 6W

If you would like to get involved, or to find out more information, please email—**bjschair@busbridgejunior.surrey.sch.uk** 

The PTA will also be holding its AGM at school on Tuesday 20th September, 7.30pm. It's a good meeting for all interested parents and carers to come along to, and, as always, wine and crisps will be served!

#### **Class Assemblies**

This years' class assemblies will be as follows (9.15am: an invite will be sent nearer the time of each assembly):

Friday 14th October - <b>class 6E</b>	Friday 18th November - class 5GT	Friday 25th November —class 6W
Friday 20th January—Class 4W	Friday 10th March—Class 3B	Friday 24th March—Class 4S
Friday 5th May— <b>Class 3BF</b>	Friday 9th June—Class 5S	

#### Arbor

While the Arbor app has transformed the way we work in school for the better, there have been a few teething problems. We are pleased to confirm that Arbor have now resolved the issue with card payments, and the facility is working again. Due to the problems we have extended payment deadlines for school lunches and Year 4 swimming to Friday 23rd September. Please accept our apologies for any inconvenience caused.

#### Summer works

Over the Summer a number of exciting projects took place to improve the school site for our students. Our Year 6 toilets were fully refurbished, with the boys toilet's being updated to include two cubicles instead of the previous one cubicle and urinal format. New windows were also fitted to our music room. Some works are still in progress, however we anticipate these being finished soon.

#### Flu Immunisations – Friday 2nd December

The School Immunisation team will be in school on Friday 2nd December to administer nasal flu immunisations for all year groups. Details about this flu immunisation programme and the E-consent form which parents need to complete, will be sent out in the coming weeks. If you arrange to have the flu immunisation elsewhere for your child or do not want your child to have it in school, you will need to decline the immunisation on the E-consent form you receive from school.

#### Safeguarding / Child Protection Policy

Our Safeguarding / Child Protection Policy can be found on our school website: <u>Welcome to Busbridge C of E Junior School</u> (<u>busbridge-junior.surrey.sch.uk</u>). It outlines roles and responsibilities in the school and who to speak to if you have a concern about a child. Just to remind you, Mr Catchpole and Mrs Barker are our Designated Safeguarding Leads, and Mrs Baker and Mr Samuels are our Safeguarding Governors.

#### School Governing Body

Huge thanks to our outgoing Chair (Mr Downhill) and Vice Chair (Mr Taylor), and a new welcome to our new Chair and Vice-Chair (Mr Martin Hanak-Hammerl and Mrs Beckie Whiteman respectively). We wish them well in their new roles.

\*\*House Captains have now been chosen and will be announced next week\*\*

## **Richard Catchpole - Headteacher**

## School Meals:

The amount for the next half term 2nd September to 21st October 2022.

Year 3 : £91.00

Year 4 : £93.60

Year 5 : £93.60

Year 6 : £80.60

Amount per day: £2.60 Amount per week: £13.00

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 in advance. Please remember to top up your account on Arbor regularly. We prefer you to pay through Arbor but if you wish to pay for school meals by cheque these should be payable to "Surrey County Council".

# Busbridge Breakfast & After-school Club (ASC)

Spaces are available in the Breakfast & After-School Club from September 2022. Please contact the Club Manager, Jackie McPhail, to book.

Session costs are as follows:

**Breakfast Club** 7.50am - 8.45am from £5.70 to £5.80 **ASC half session** 3.30-4.45pm from £7.20 to £7.35 **ASC full session** 3.30-6.00pm from £14.40 to £14.65

To make a booking please contact Mrs Jackie McPhail on 07432 304562 or by email: jmcphail@busbridge-junior.surrey.sch.uk





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