



# Busbridge CofE Junior School

## Newsletter

Summer Term 2025 No: 2

23rd May 2025



### Term Dates 2024/25

Summer 2025	
Fri 23rd May	INSET DAY
Mon 26th to Fri 30th May	Half Term break
Wed 4th & 5th June	Splatt Theatre Group in school DoubleDay: WW2 'Peace at Last'
Tues 10th June	Year 3 Feet First Training
Wed 11th Jun	Year 3 Feet First Training Year 5 Drama Workshop
Fri 13th June	Class 4S Assembly Year 6 First Aid Training
Mon 16th June	Year 6 First Aid Training
Wed 18th June	Year 6 Leavers' Service at Guildford Cathedral ( <i>children only</i> )
Thurs 19th June	Year 6 - Junior Citizen Child Safety Event Sports Day Field Event ( <i>children only, no spectators</i> )
Fri 20th June	Sports Day (AM: Y3/4 ; PM: Y5/6)
Sat 21st June	PTA Family Bike Ride, 1-3pm
Fri 27th June	Whole School Beach - West Wittering
Tues 1st July	Bump-Up Day / Y6 Transition Day - Rodborough & Broadwater
Wed 2nd July	Transition Day - Rodborough
Fri 4th July	Pet Day (AM : pets other than dogs in school ; PM: Dog Show, with parents)
Mon 7th July	Start of Book Fair in School
Wed 9th July	Summer Concert
Fri 11th July	PTA Summer BBQ (6pm to 8pm)
Mon 21st July	Open afternoon for current parents 2.15-4pm
Tues 22nd July	End of Summer Term - 1.30pm



In the blink of an eye the May half term break is upon us already! It has only been a few short weeks, but we managed to fill them with lots of exciting activities, from Star

Wars Day, the ever popular Kid's Disco and of course, the Year 6 SATs! After half term, we will not be slowing down. On 4th and 5th June we have our WW2 'Peace at Last' DoubleDay in school, Year 3 Feet First Training, Sports Day, Pet Day, the PTA Family Bike Ride and various Year 6 Leavers' Events, to name but a few things! We hope you all have a lovely, restful half term break and we look forward to seeing the children back in school on Monday 2nd June.

#### Year 6 SATs Week

A huge well done to all our Year 6's who took their SAT exams last week. We are so impressed with how hard everyone worked and how smoothly the week went. 6W & 6S, you Rock!

#### Sport Day - Date for your diary

Friday 20th June: Y3/Y4 in the morning; Y5/Y6 in the afternoon. Up to two adults can join us per child. Do come along and support the children! Please bring your own folding chair/blanket.

#### Year 4 Trip to RHS Wisley

On Thursday 15th May, Year 4 went to Wisley for a fantastic day of art, science and exploring. As they are learning and drawing the jungle art of Henri Rousseau in Art and researching habitats in Science, this was a brilliant opportunity for them to have some 'hands-on' experiences. All the children observed the tropical plants in the world-famous Glasshouse and carefully sketched their interpretations into their sketch books. The children did some fantastic sketches. They were also lucky to find pond skaters, dragonfly larvae, water boat-men, snails and even some newts! The children also, very carefully, searched under logs and found that the habitat was perfectly suited to woodlice, worms, stag beetles and even a family of slugs! The children had a brilliant day and we are sure that they will remember the trip for a long time to come.

#### Year 5 Greeks Workshop

Last week, the Year 5's turned into some fabulous looking Ancient Greeks for the day. We all had a great time with the Rainbow Theatre Group: we learnt about schooling in ancient Greek times; the Greek alphabet in rap was a definite hit! We also learnt about different Greek myths: the story of Odysseus and the Cyclops, and Theseus and the Minotaur. Everyone had a go at acting the stories out. The children also took part in a fabulous Greek dancing workshop led by our very own Mrs Sciberras which was lots of fun. In the afternoon, the children sampled a delicious Greek feast and created some super Minotaur art pictures using charcoal. A big thanks to the Rainbow Theatre Group and Mrs Sciberras for all her help on the day.

### Sport Update

**Year 5 and 6 football tournament at Rodborough** - Year 5 and 6 travelled to Rodborough on Thursday to play in the local schools football tournament. Year 5 played fantastically well and repeatedly hit the post and the bar, but could not score enough goals to win the event. They did play very well however, and in great spirit. The Y6 team won three games and drew one making our BJS team year six champions. Well played to all the children and thank you to the parents who supported on the day.

**Year 3 Football Tournament** - 'We went to Rodborough and played against 6 other teams. We won some and drew a few and only lost one. It was fun and I can't wait to go again!' (*Raffi P, 3B*).

**Netball Tournament** - On Thursday 24th April, 13 year 5 and 6 children went to Rodborough for a Netball Tournament. There were 10 teams in total. We played 4 matches overall - lost 2, drew 1 and won 1! Afterwards we played a friendly match inside. We came 4th in our pool and even though we didn't win, we had a lot of fun! When we weren't playing, we cheered everybody on. We didn't mind when we lost, as we were happy for the winners! (*Jessica D & Freyja Rose P, 6W*)

**New Age Kurling** - On Thursday 8th May, a group of children attended a New Age Kurling Event at Rodborough. Everyone had a brilliant time trying out Kurling and different activities. Here is what a few of the children said about it:

"Kurling was great. I loved the fact they had a traditional kurling target. I would definitely go again". (*Tristan E, 4LT*)

"I enjoyed it. I liked pushing the distance and getting it on the target to score points". (*Micah P, 4S*)

"I enjoyed the actual kurling, getting the stones onto the ladder. The people were friendly and helpful. I would try something like that again". (*Ben S, 4S*)

"I liked it because we got to learn how to play a new sport and got to play with other year groups. I liked the kurling activity and getting it on the target. I would do it again" (*Effie B, 5E*).

### Busbridge Ambassador Awards

We are delighted to announce that our Busbridge Ambassadors for Summer Term 2025 (first half term) are:

**Class 3BF** - Sam D & Myla F

**Class 3B** - Lucy J & Max G

**Class 4LT** - Jacob C & Ella S

**Class 4S** - Aggie G & Tom C

**Class 5W** - Maximus McG & Emily H

**Class 5E** - Emily K & Henry B

**Class 6S** - Max A & Asfiya J

**Class 6W** - Lucy G, Jessica D & Lorenzo BB

### Superstars Board

Our SuperStars board in the entrance hall is a brilliant way of celebrating out of school achievements, such as competitions, sporting events, volunteering etc... Do email in a photo and a brief outline of your child's achievement if you would like them to feature on our board. This week we have added:

- ◆ Mia G (6S), Pippa W (6S) & Hannah T (Yr 7, ex-BJS) - for representing Girl Guides from across the land at the recent VE Day Commemoration Service at Westminster Abbey! Congrats to our Royal Representatives!
- ◆ Emily B (5E) - For already achieving Level 2 in ice skating, after only starting this year! Wow.
- ◆ Joshua B (4S) - for being picked as Manager's Player and being the 2nd top scorer this season! Joshua has played all season for Milford Puma's! Amazing work.
- ◆ Harry A (5E) - for playing for the U10's at Guildford Rugby Club and recently going on a weekend tour with them! Harry played in lots of matches and scored 3 tries! Keep up the good work!
- ◆ Hugo B (4S) - for being an amazing superstar for Godalming! Hugo created a Guide to Godalming leaflet, which was so impressive the Mayor of Godalming visited the school **in person** to thank him! Hugo was given a commemorative badge - the youngest person to receive such an award from the Mayor! Hugo also won a trophy from Milford Pumas for playing in defence all season. We are so impressed, Hugo!
- ◆ Ottollie HH (5E) & Toby HH (5W) - for running the Children's Mini Marathon! Ottollie and Toby ran 2.6km - wow!
- ◆ Charlie W (4LT) - for visiting Charterhouse School to talk to the children about being deaf. Charlie spoke to 80 young people and taught them the BSL finger spelling alphabet and some signs. The audience loved him! Well done!

### Class Assemblies

Friday 13th June - 4S (**new date**) (9.15am: an invite will be sent nearer the time of each assembly)

### PTA Update

**Ice cream Friday is back!** Every Friday, we will be selling ice creams and lollies on the school playground at the end of the day. Everything will cost either 50p or £1, depending on the size. Please bring the correct change if possible, or pay in advance through Classlist! Each class will be taking it in turns to sell ice creams, so if you're able to help, please let your class rep know. The ice cream sales will be on the following dates: Friday 6th June (5E parent helpers), Friday 13th June (4S), Friday 20th June (6W), Friday 4th July (6S), Friday 11th July (3BF) and Friday 18th July (3B).

**Family Bike Ride - Saturday 21st June, 1pm start.** Bikes at the ready! On Saturday 21st June, we will be holding our popular sponsored family bike ride from Bramley to Cranleigh along the flat Downs Link path. It is always a brilliant afternoon and a great, fun way to raise funds for the PTA. Further information will be sent out soon, as well as sponsorship forms, however if you would like to express an interest in joining us, then please let us know on [Classlist](#).

**Summer BBQ, Friday 11th July, 6-8pm** - Planning for the annual Summer BBQ is now underway. If you are available to help in any way, the PTA will be holding an online planning meeting on Teams on Monday 23rd June, at 8pm. If you are able to join, please let us know. Any help is appreciated, big or small.

### Breakfast and After-School Club Fees Increase

Following a review of our Breakfast and After-School Club fees by the school's Governing Body, please note that there will be a 3% increase to fees, which will be effective from the autumn term 2025, Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September, 2025. Whilst the governors had hoped to avoid raising fees, unfortunately the costs of running the club (staffing, food, energy) have continued to rise over the last year, and we do need to pass some of those costs on via this increase. The prices per session effective from Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September, 2025 will be as follows:

Breakfast club	£6.40 – increase to £6.60
Half after-school club	£8.10 – increase to £8.35
Full after-school club	£16.20 – increase to £16.70

### Artist theme of the month

This month, the art on display in the hall has all been inspired by sport. There is a range of art dating right back to 5<sup>th</sup> Century BC which is one of the most famous statues of Antiquity, attributed to the Athenian sculptor Myron and represents an athlete throwing a disc (named Le Discobole). There is also a variety of pictures which effectively manage to create movement in their pictures. Look closely at this painting. What technique has the artist used to create movement to look as if the athlete is actually running? A big Thank You to Mrs Friend (3BF teacher) for the display.



### Safeguarding / Child Protection Policy

Our Safeguarding / Child Protection Policy can be found on our school [website](#). 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, Mrs Barker and Mrs McPhail are our Designated Safeguarding Leads, and Mrs P Baker and Mrs A Watson are our Safeguarding Governors.

**Richard Catchpole - Headteacher**

### **School Meals:**

The amount for the next half term - Monday 2nd June to Tuesday 22nd July:

Year 3 : £103.60

Year 4 : £103.60

Year 5 : £103.60

Year 6 : £100.80

Amount per day: £2.80      Amount per week: £14.00

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.**



### **Busbridge Breakfast & After-school Club (ASC)**

Spaces are available in the Breakfast & After-School Club.

Session costs are as follows:

**Breakfast Club** 7.50am - 8.45am - £6.40

**ASC half session** 3.30-4.45pm - £8.10

**ASC full session** 3.30-6.00pm - £16.20

**Bookings can now be made via Arbor, however if you have any queries please contact**

**Mrs Jackie McPhail at**

**email: [club@busbridge-junior.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:club@busbridge-junior.surrey.sch.uk)**

**Terms & Conditions are available on our website - [Breakfast & After School Club - Terms and Conditions](#)**