



Busbridge CofE Junior School

Newsletter

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Autumn Term 2019 No: 2

24th September 2019

Sept 2019

Mon 23rd to Fri 27th - Y6 Residential Trip to Windmill Hill
Fri 27th Friends of BJS 2nd Hand Uniform Sale in the playground at 3.30pm

Oct 2019

Wed 2nd Parent Tour for 2020/21 Y3 intake 9.15am
Tues 8th Harvest Services at Busbridge Church:
9.15am - Lower School / 11.00am - Upper School
(parents/carers are welcome to join us)
Wed 9th Maths Subject Information Evening at 7pm
Fri 11th Class 6E assembly at 9.15am
(parents/carers are invited to come & watch)
Fri 11th Parent Tour for 2020/21 Y3 intake 11.00am
Mon 14th Parent Tour for 2020/21 Y3 intake 9.15am
Tues 15th Year 3 trip to Butser Ancient Farm
Thurs 17th & SOS Planet Earth DoubleDay
Fri 18th SOS Planet Earth DoubleDay
Mon 21st to Y6 Level 2 Bikeability from 1.15pm-3.00pm
Fri 25th (groups 1 & 2 - info to follow)
Tues 22nd Parents Evenings 6.00pm-8.30pm
Wed 23rd Parents Evenings 4.00pm-6.30pm
Fri 25th Class 6M assembly at 9.15am
(parents/carers are invited to come & watch)

Half-Term: Monday 28th October - Friday 1st November

Nov 2019

Mon 4th INSET day
Tues 5th to Y6 Level 2 Bikeability from 1.15pm-3.00pm
Fri 8th (groups 3 & 4 - info to follow)
Tues 5th Friends of BJS Fireworks Night 6pm-8pm
Sat 9th Cross Country at Glebelands School (AM)
Mon 11th to Y6 Level 2 Bikeability from 1.15pm-3.00pm
Fri 15th (groups 5 & 6 - info to follow)
Tues 12th English Subject Information Evening at 7pm
Fri 15th Year 5 Victorian trip to Preston Manor
Fri 22nd Flu Immunisations for all year groups (AM)
Fri 22nd Class 5A assembly at 9.15am
(parents/carers are invited to come & watch)

AUTUMN TERM 2019

Wednesday 4th September to Friday 20th December 2019
Half term: Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November 2019

INSET Day: Monday 4th November 2019

SPRING TERM 2020

Monday 6th January to Friday 3rd April 2020
Half Term: Monday 17th to Friday 21st February 2020

INSET Day: Friday 14th February 2020

SUMMER TERM 2020

Monday 20th April to Wednesday 22nd July 2020

INSET Day: Monday 20th April 2020

May/VE day Bank Holiday: school closed Friday 8th May 2020 (note moved from Monday 4th May 2020)

INSET Day: Friday 22nd May 2020

Half Term: Monday 25th to Friday 29th May

Goodbye's and Hello's



As we start the new term, we say goodbye to a couple of staff members. After nearly 19 years working at BJS, one of our LSA's Debbie Terry has relocated to Cheshire to be nearer family. This week we say farewell to class teacher Laura Bishop who is leaving us to be home with her new daughter. We wish all the best to both Debbie and Laura, and their families.

Friends of Busbridge Junior School AGM

At the recent Friends AGM, we said goodbye to the outgoing committee members (Emma Calderwood, Jon Hart, Fiona Forshaw, Clare Parsons) who, along with their army of helpers, have done a sterling job running the PTA over the past couple of years.

We say hello and thanks to our new PTA committee who take over the reins: Co-Chairs - Sarah Spiers and Jackie Ahrens, Treasurer - Steve Muir, Secretary - Katherine Carter. Huge thanks to Lorraine Collins who will continue as Vice-Chair. Thanks also to all parents who have volunteered to be class reps. **We are still looking for 2 willing people to be class reps for 6M** - please let the school office know if you can help.

Charity donations/matched funding

Many companies in the UK offer their employees the chance to boost their fundraising efforts with PTAs by matching the money they raise. If you help fundraise for the school (eg. by working a stall at the **Christmas Fair on Sat 7th Dec**) please check if your company / organisation can offer matched funding. If so, the Friends of BJS would love to hear from you!

Foundation Governor wanted

We currently have a vacancy on the school Governing Body for a Foundation Governor. Such a governor needs to have links with Busbridge Church, but they could also be a parent of the school. Please speak to Rev Simon Taylor for more info.



Drop off time in morning - from 8.45am onwards

Please note that children are allowed onto the school playground **from 8.45am onwards**. If they need to be dropped off earlier you may wish to book into the school's Breakfast Club.

Superstars Board

We love to hear what your children have been achieving out of school. Whether it be saving the life of a hedgehog, winning a first medal in Karate or being artistic, send a photo and blurb to Mr Catchpole or the school office and we will post the news on our Superstars Board in the entrance hall.

Surrey School Games League - BJS in the Top Ten!

Last academic year we came 10th out of all Surrey primary schools for our sporting performance and participation. Huge thanks to all who helped make this achievement possible.



Year 6 July 2019 SATs Scores : well done to all our ex-Year 6 children on a wonderful set of scores last July. Impressive!

Subject	% of children meeting the Expected Standard	% of children meeting the 'High Score'	Progress across KS2 Score
Reading	88%	47%	0.5
Writing	93%	63%	2.5
SPaG	93%	52%	n/a
Maths	93%	52%	0.2
Reading, Writing, Maths Combined	85% (Surrey = 70%)	30%	n/a

House Captains and Vice House Captains

Elections took place last week in school for the House Captain and Vice House Captain positions. The Year 6 children all stepped up to the mark with their campaigning and the rest of the school with their voting. Those who wanted to be considered presented to their House groups, displaying lots of enthusiasm in their reasons for standing for election. This helped the other children cast their votes. Following voting the teachers carefully considered all the applications and we are proud to announce the 2019/20 House and Vice House Captains as:

House	House Captains	Vice-Captains
Munstead	Matthew De Abreu & Darcy Alder	Jamie Withers & Nina Gray
Tuesley	Oscar Barrett & Sophie Bajer	Thomas Pearson & Ella Maurizi
Holloway	Fraser Thomas & Annabel Doling	George Wheeler & Isabel Bowden
Busbridge	Charlie Farrow & Chloe Howarth	Henry Forshaw & Elizabeth Gilligan

Harvest Church Services - Tuesday 8th October at Busbridge Church

We will be holding our Harvest Services at Busbridge Church on Tuesday 8th October at 9.15am for the Lower School (Year 3 & Year 4) and at 11.00am for the Upper School (Year 5 & Year 6). Parents/carers are very welcome to join us. Harvest gifts for Godalming Foodbank will be gratefully received (info to follow) - thank you.

Parking in the Village Hall car park from September 2019

As you are all aware, the Village Hall car park is not a public one but, in return for an annual contribution from the school, our parents/carers are able to use it at drop off and pick up times only. However, due to ongoing parking issues please note that the Management Committee now **lock the car park gate from 9.15am to 12 noon every day**. Please park considerately in the roads around the school but not in Heath Lane running beside the village hall, and please do not block other cars/stop the flow of traffic in the school entrance/exit area as this can cause dangerous tailbacks onto the Brighton Road.

Curriculum Evenings and Presentations

Thank you to all the parents/carers who came along to the curriculum presentation evenings in the first week of term. A copy of each of the presentations and the curriculum plans are available to view on the school website https://www.busbridge-junior.surrey.sch.uk/web/pupils_learning

Maths Information Evening (Wednesday 9th Oct) and English Information Evening (Tuesday 12th Nov) - both at 7pm

Two dates for your diary. Do please join us to find out more on how we teach Maths and English in the school.

Richard Catchpole - Headteacher

School Meals:

The amount for the next half term 5th September to 25th October:

Year 3 : £84.60 (taking into Butser Ancient Farm trip)

Year 4 : £86.95

Year 5 : £86.95

Year 6 : £75.20 (taking into account Year 6 Windmill Hill trip)

Amount per day: £2.35 Amount per week: £11.75

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 Parent-mail 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".



Secondary School Applications

Is your child currently in Year 6?

If so, you need to apply online for a secondary school place **by 31st October 2019**.

You can find out all you need to know about school admissions in Surrey and applying online at surreycc.gov.uk/admissions or call 0300 200 1004

Busbridge Breakfast & After-school Care Club

Times and costs 2019/20:

Breakfast Club from 7.50am - 8.45am @ £5.50

After-school club half session 3.30-4.45pm @ £7

After-school club full session 3.30-6.00pm @ £14

Please contact Mrs Jackie McPhail - 07432 304562

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