



Busbridge CofE Junior School

Newsletter

Autumn Term 2022 No: 4

18th November 2022

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Term Dates 2022/23

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| Autumn 2022 | |
| Thurs 1st Dec | Mufti Day—Bottle & Jar Donations |
| Fri 2nd Dec | Mufti Day—Sweet & Cake Donations Christmas Secret Shopping Event for Pupils |
| Fri 2nd Dec | Flu Vaccinations |
| Sat 3rd Dec | Christmas Fayre—12pm—3pm |
| Thurs 8th Dec | Christmas Play— 9.30am Lower School 1.45pm—Upper School |
| Fri 9th Dec | Christmas Play— 9.30am Upper School 1.45pm—Lower School |
| Tues 13th Dec | Christmas Church Service |
| Fri 16th Dec | Wishing Service and end of term (1.30pm) |
| Spring 2023 | |
| Tues 3rd Jan | First day of Term |
| Thurs 19th Jan | Child in Roman Britain Workshop (Year 3) Vikings Workshop (Year 4) |
| Fri 10th Feb | Inset Day |
| Mon 13th Feb to Fri 17th Feb | Half Term |
| Mon 6th to Wed 8th March | Sayers Croft Residential—Year 4 |
| Wed 15th March | Winchester Science Museum Visit—Year 5 |
| Fri 31st March | Last Day of Term |
| Summer 2023 | |
| Mon 17th Apr | Inset Day |
| Tues 18th Apr | Children Return to School |

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AUTUMN

It has been a few week's since our last newsletter and so much has happened in school!

Despite the torrential rain, our year 6 pupils went on their week-long residential to Windmill Hill—and had a great time! Year 5 spent the day as Victorians at Preston Manor, Year 6 mummified teddies at Haslemere Museum and we had our Art DoubleDay—to name but a few things! We are now in full swing getting ready for Christmas and all the festive events we have planned.

Year 5 Trip to Preston Manor & Hove Museum

On Thursday 10th November, Year 5 went dressed as Victorians to Preston Manor in the hope of gaining a job as a butler, maid or chimney sweep. Everyone was put to work: sweeping, cleaning, flower arranging and laying the grand dining table ready for dinner as well as lots of other chores. It was extremely hard work! Lucy, Caitlin and Isla all said they enjoyed 'doing the tasks and being bossed around'; Laila and Benji couldn't believe how real it all was. Y5 also visited Hove Museum and everyone enjoyed looking at Victorian artefacts there. It was an exciting day out and we learnt lots more about living in Victorian times!

Art DoubleDay

On 3rd and 4th November, we dedicated two whole days to art! The children were mixed up in classes of Y3/Y4, and Y5/Y6 and each day looked at the work of a particular artist, practiced art skills related to that artist and then finished off by completing a final piece of art. We were so impressed with all the work the children completed—I think we definitely have a few budding artists and designers in the making!

PTA Fireworks Extravaganza

It's safe to say that everyone had a brilliant night at our annual PTA fireworks evening on Friday 4th November. Children were dancing on the playground to music, while parents treated themselves to delicious food and drinks. The event was completely sold out and raised over £4,000 for the school! A huge thank you to our PTA who organized the whole event, to our parents for donating sweets for the sweet treats stalls and to all the companies who supported us.

Poppy Collection & One Minute Silence

On Friday 11th November we joined with the rest of the country in commemorating Remembrance Day with a one minute silence. In our whole school assembly we reflected on those who have served our nation, as well how we can help peace to grow in the world around us. Thank you to our School Council team who helped sell poppies in school, and to everyone who supported the British Legion through purchasing a poppy. The exact amount raised has yet to be confirmed, but the collecting can was very heavy!

Class Assemblies

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

Friday 20th January—**Class 4W**

Friday 10th March—**Class 3B**

Friday 17th March—**Class 6E**

Friday 24th March—**Class 4S**

Friday 5th May—**Class 3BF**

Friday 9th June—**Class 5S**

Friday 30th June —**Class 6W (*new date; moved from 25th Nov*)**

Year 6 Residential to Windmill Hill

Last week, Year 6 braved the weather and headed off on their one-week residential to Windmill Hill PGL in Sussex. They certainly didn't let the rain dampen the spirits - there were plenty of screams on the giant swing, cries of 'ooohh' as the children and teachers tumbled off rafts in search of lost trainers in the mud, archery, trapeze, and even a giant game of hide in seek in the dark! The sun did eventually shine Well done to all the children for overcoming all sorts of worries, and a huge thanks to all the adults who cared for the children.

Sports Update

Badminton Festival - We took two Year 6 teams along to a Badminton Festival at Broadwater School on 2nd November. The afternoon involved working as a team around a carousel of mini badminton drills and games to gain as many points as possible for their team. It was lovely to see them grow in confidence and have fun, yet still remain competitive. Congratulations to both our teams who finished in well-deserved first and second place!

Netball Tournament - A huge well done to our netball team who played in the Y6 school tournament on Monday. Our team was a mix of Y5 and Y6 children- for some of which it was their first ever tournament yet they dug deep and showed great determination and team play. The team won some of the matches, drew some and lost a few which meant they didn't quite make it into the finals, but they still enjoyed the competition and their coaches- Helena and Amanda- were super proud of them! A huge well done to all the players.

Surrey Under 11's Sportshall Competition - On Sunday some of our Busbridge athletes represented Waverly Harriers in the Under 11's sportshall competition. They did so well to finish in 6th place with the boys in a depleted squad and the girls finishing an incredibly close second. A massive pat on the back to all the sporthall superstars!

SuperStars Board

This term we have reintroduced our SuperStars board in the entrance hall. It's a brilliant way of celebrating out of school achievements, such as competitions, sporting achievements and more. Since the last newsletter, we have added:

- * Maisie (3B) - In November, Maisie achieved her Swimming Challenge Gold and the Rainbow Distance 800m!
- * Teddy (4S) - He has gained his yellow belt in kickboxing.
- * Jack N (5GT) - Actor extraordinaire with Stagecoach Godalming

Do email in a photo and a brief outline if your child would like to feature on our Super Stars board.

Richard Catchpole - Headteacher

School Meals:

The amount for the next half term 1st November to 16th December 2022

Year 3 : £88.40

Year 4 : £88.40

Year 5 : £85.80

Year 6 : £72.80

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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