



Busbridge CE Junior School

Newsletter

Summer Term 2018 No: 5

6th July 2018

Learn to love  Love to learn

Dates for Your Diary

July 2018

- Mon 9th District Sports at Charterhouse School
9.00am-12.30pm (note change of timings)
- Wed 11th Year 6 play at 7.00pm - 'Hoodwinked'
(or 5pm if England reach the World Cup semis!)
- Thurs 12th Year 6 play at 7.00pm - 'Hoodwinked'
- Tues 17th Summer Concert at 9.15am
- Tues 17th Year 6 Leavers' Service at Busbridge Church - parents are welcome to join us at 11.00am
- Tues 17th Open afternoon for current parents 2.30pm-5.00pm (details to follow)
- Tues 17th Year 5 Kwik Cricket at Hambledon Cricket Club 3.45pm-5.45pm (details to follow)
- Wed 18th Thank you tea for volunteers 10.00am-11.00am (details to follow)
- Thurs 19th Year 6 Leavers' Party 6.00pm-8.00pm
- Fri 20th Last day of term - **break up at 1.45pm**
- Mon 23rd INSET day



Summer Holiday



Sept 2018

- Tues 4th INSET day
- Wed 5th Return to school
- Fri 7th New Year 3 Parents Coffee Morning at 9.00am
- Mon 10th Year 4 Swimming lessons start
- Tues 11th Year 3 Welcome Service in Busbridge Church at 9.30am - parents welcome to join us
- Tues 11th Curriculum Evenings (6pm : Year 3 / 7pm : Year 4)
- Thurs 13th Curriculum Evenings (6pm : Year 5 / 7pm : Year 6)
- Wed 19th Headteacher welcome to the New Academic Year (all parents invited) at 7.00pm followed by Friends of BJS PTA AGM at 7.30pm
- Mon 24th - Year 6 Residential to Windmill Hill
- Fri 28th

SUMMER TERM 2018

16th April to 23rd July 2018

INSET Day Monday 23rd July 2018

AUTUMN TERM 2018

4th September to 19th December 2018

Half Term: 22nd October to 26th October 2018

INSET DAY Tuesday 4th September 2018

School starts back Wednesday 5th September 2018

INSET DAY - Monday 29th October 2018

Ofsted Inspection — "This school continues to be Good"

It's official. Our Ofsted report has now been published, and it confirms our status as a Good school. The report, which is well worth a read, is on our website. When I underlined the stated strengths in the report they greatly outnumbered the single development point. We have come a long way since September, and the inspector noticed this. She also had praise for the direction of the school, the enthusiastic teaching and the motivated children. Thank you for your views which helped to give a 360 degree perspective on the school. Success!

Educational Trips

Year 6 trip to Dapdune Wharf

Year 6 enjoyed an insightful visit to Dapdune Wharf in Guildford on Tuesday 5th June. The children completed field studies on river speed and conducted water quality experiments. They also reviewed the history of the Wharf and how it has developed over time.



Year 5 trip to Winchester Science Centre



WINCHESTER SCIENCE CENTRE AND PLANETARIUM

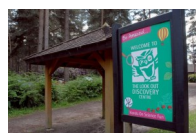
On Friday 8th June Year 5 spent an electrifying day at Winchester Science Centre. They explored lots of different exhibits about space, the human body and forces, as well as experiencing a forces workshop full of explosive experiments investigating the real uses of science. The day began with a mesmerising show at the Planetarium where the children learnt about the characteristics to the different planets and the vastness of the universe from an expert astronomer.

Year 4 trip to the Multi-Skills Festival

On Wednesday 20th June Year 4s had a fantastic afternoon at Broadwater School doing a variety of sporting activities. This included running races, seeing how many times they could bounce a ball onto a tennis racquet, shooting goals and playing parachute games.



Year 3 trip to The Look Out Discovery Centre



On Tuesday 12th June our year 3s had a fantastic trip to The Look Centre in Bracknell. The children enjoyed interacting with the hands-on science exhibits and learnt a lot about different areas of science. The children loved launching a hydrogen rocket and making a huge hot air balloon soar skyward into the air. The highlight of the trip was a chance to go bug hunting out in the forest and it was incredible to see the sheer number and diversity of insects recorded.

Many thanks to all our parent helpers who gave up their time to assist us on all these trips and make them great learning experiences for the children.

District Sports - Monday 9th July (9.00am - 12.30pm)

We are so looking forward to District Sports on Monday. Mrs Parsons and Bill have been training the children hard : I have never seen such slick baton changes in the relay. If your child is competing please remember that the event is now on **Monday morning**. Please drop your child off for 9.00am at the track in Charterhouse School. They will return to Busbridge CofE Junior School by coach. A write up of this half-term's sporting activities will follow in the next news-letter!

Golden Boot Challenge



Well done to all our children for taking part in the Golden Boot Challenge and finding more sustainable ways to travel to school. The winning classes were 6P and 4L who were presented with certificates and badges to wear with pride! With this sunshine it is so easy to carry on those Green habits!

Speedwatch

A couple of weeks ago the School Speed Watch team, led by Cheryl Faure and members of the Surrey police, came to school to run the Speedwatch safety initiative with the year 6 children. Over the 2 days, 83 drivers were stopped for speeding outside the school with 4 being issued official tickets and 79 having questionnaires given to them by the children which they found a very interesting exercise. Thank you to Cheryl and the police officers for coming in. The police officers joined all the children for lunch in the dining hall who found it very exciting being able to speak with them and find out more about their work from real life police officers!

NSPCC

Every 2 years we are in receipt of Safeguard workshops and an assembly for our children from the NSPCC. Over the last 2 weeks representatives from the NSPCC have been in school to deliver the assembly and workshops to our year 5s and 6s to follow up on this. The workshops, funded by the NSPCC, covered keeping safe and who/where to go to for help and advice. In exchange for this, we offer to do some fundraising for the NSPCC and our Holloway House Captains helped organise the 'Big Buddy Work Out' as their charity day. This involved the children running a range of sporting activities on the school field which all the children took part in. Thank you to Mandy Elton from the NSPCC and her team for coming into school. Mandy joined us in assembly today and announced that we had raised to date a wonderful **£666.10**. A few more forms and monies have come in since so this total will go up which we will let you know in due course. Thank you to everyone who has contributed to this very worthwhile cause.



Godalming Library Summer Reading Challenge



Our local library staff came into school to tell the children how to take part in 'Mischievous Makers', this year's summer reading challenge. All the children need to do is register at their local Surrey library, read 6 library books and visit the library regularly over the holidays collecting stickers and incentives along the way.

Children's reading can 'dip' during the holidays if they don't have regular access to books and encouragement to read for pleasure. There is no other free reading activity that involves so many other children, introduces families to their library, encourages children to choose books freely and independently and is endorsed by parents, teachers and the Department of Education. Please

encourage your children to visit the library, sign up over the holidays and see the difference the summer reading challenge makes for them.

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Art Gallery Day

Last week the school hall was turned into an art gallery when Images School Art Exhibitions professionally mounted and put up all the children's artwork to view. Each class took turns through the day to look at theirs and all the other children's pictures which they very much enjoyed seeing. It was lovely to see the children quietly contemplating the works of art and taking pride in what they had done. Thank you to all the parents who came along later in the day to see the children's work as well, and to everyone who has purchased pictures - for every picture purchased the school receives £1.50 in commission. We will let you know how much money this has raised as soon as we have the final total.



Young Musketeers

Thank you to James Chourlaton for coming into school last week to tell us all about the exciting opportunities to take up fencing. We are planning to add a new fencing club in the Autumn term. More details to follow from the club organisers but it is probable that it will be on Wednesdays : Year 3 and Year 4 will be before school and Year 5 and Year 6 after school (depending on numbers). Please see the attached flyer for details.

Godalming in Bloom & Gardening help



Last week we had the honour of the Mayor of Godalming and the Godalming in Bloom judges coming to see our garden. They were very impressed with all the vegetables that the children have been growing. There is due to be a prize giving ceremony in a couple of weeks so we have our fingers crossed! A big thank you to all the children who have helped grow and tend the garden area, to Mrs Toulson for running gardening club and looking after the garden with such enthusiasm and dedication in all weathers, and to Mrs Mead who has helped support our gardening club working very hard at pulling out those weeds! We would love some extra help....we are looking for some parents who might be able to spare an hour or two to help us out in the gardening area. If you'd be interested please do get in touch with Mrs Toulson etoulson@busbridge-junior.surrey.sch.uk.

Summer Concert - Tuesday 17th July at 9.15am

Our talented musicians in school are working hard practising and rehearsing for the Summer concert which will take place on Tuesday 17th July at 9.15am. Parents of the children taking part are invited to watch the concert - if we have any spare tickets we will let you know nearer the time. Thank you to Mrs Lucas and Mr Pearne for all their hard work getting ready for the concert - the children are excited and looking forward to performing in this musical extravaganza.

Y6 Leavers' Service at Guildford Cathedral

On Wednesday 27th June the year 6 children enjoyed a reflective afternoon of activities at Guildford Cathedral. They thought about their time at Busbridge CofE Junior School, pausing to take stock of the journey they have travelled during their time here and will be travelling from September 2018 as they move to secondary school. This was then followed by a more formal service in the Cathedral. The children behaved and spoke beautifully at the service, and were a credit to themselves and the school. This was a perfect finish and very special way to mark the end of their Junior school journey before going onto their new adventures at secondary school in September.



Summer BBQ

We hope you all enjoyed the summer BBQ last Friday in the summer sunshine. A huge thanks to Emma Calderwood, Lorraine Collins and their army of Friends PTA helpers for all their hard work organising this event. The monies raised make a real difference to the school - thank you. We will let you know the total raised asap.

Richard Catchpole - Headteacher

School Meals Payment Amounts: The amount for the next half term Monday 4th June - Friday 20th July (Monday 23rd July is an INSET day) is:

Year 3 :	£76.50 (taking into account Look Out trip)
Year 4 :	£78.75
Year 5 :	£76.50 (taking into account Winchester trip)
Year 6 :	£74.25 (taking into account Dapdune Wharf & Leavers Cathedral service trips)

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 Parentmail 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".

School Dinner Money

Please could you check your dinner money balance and ensure that any outstanding monies have been paid particularly for Year 6 children.

Should there be a credit (for year 6 children this will be refunded or credited to a younger sibling.

From September 2018 the price of a school meal will increase to £2.30 per child per day and £11.50 a week.

Busbridge Breakfast & After-school Care Club 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

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