



# Busbridge CE Junior School

## Newsletter

Autumn Term 2017 No: 10

21st December 2017

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### Dates for Your Diary

#### December 2017

Thurs 21st End of term - school breaks up 2pm

Fri 22nd Dec 2017 to Wed 3rd Jan 2018

#### Christmas Holiday

#### January 2018

Thurs 4th Back to school / PSCE Focus Day

Fri 5th Maths Focus Day & Inter-house  
Maths challenge

Thurs 11th Year 3 Fossil Workshop in school

Mon 15th Closing date for Primary School  
applications (Reception & Year3 Sept 2018)

Thurs 18th Year 5 & 6 Sportshall Competition  
at Broadwater School 1.00pm-3.00pm

Wed 24th Class 5W Assembly at 9.15am

Thurs 25th Year 3 & 4 Sportshall Athletics  
3.30-5.00pm

Wed 31st Year 3 & 4 Rainbow Theatre Roman  
& Vikings workshops in school (letter to follow)

#### February 2018

Tues 6th Internet Safety day

Wed 7th Class 5M Assembly at 9.15am

Wed 7th Phil the Bag drop off

Wed 7th KS2 Dance Festival

Thurs 8th Phil the Bag collection

#### Mon 12th to Fri 16th Half-Term

#### Mon 19th Feb New date \*\*INSET Day\*\*

Wed 21st Year 5 & 6 Basketball festival

Tues 27th Parents' evening 6.00-8.30pm

Wed 28th Class 4W assembly

Wed 28th Parents' evening 4.00-6.30pm

#### March 2018

Thurs 1st Double Day - BJS 150th Birthday!

Fri 2nd Double Day

#### SPRING TERM 2018

4th January to 29th March 2018

Half term: 12th to 16th February 2018

INSET Day Monday 19th February 2018

#### SUMMER TERM 2018

16th April to 23rd July 2018

Half term: 28th May to 1st June 2018

INSET Day Monday 23rd July



### End of term and Happy Christmas!

As we come to the end of the Autumn term we would like to wish you all a Happy Christmas and a restful holiday.

In the run-up to the end of term the children have been showcasing many of their talents....



### Dance Performance Assembly -

On Monday each class took it in turns to perform their dance routine to the rest of the school. The children danced to a variety of different music styles which they had learnt in their afternoon PE lessons with our PE instructor Ellie. It was lovely to see how all the children worked together in their groups and really enjoyed performing to the whole school. Thank you to Ellie for all her hard work preparing the assembly, and well done to all the children.



### Christmas Services at Busbridge Church

On Monday the school choir sang at the Prime Time Carol Service at Busbridge Church. This was the last public performance of their Christmas repertoire so well done to all of them. A big thanks to Mrs Lucas for all her time and skill in preparing them.



Thank you for joining us at our Christmas services on Tuesday which were lovely. The children once again sang and read beautifully - well done to them all. Thank you to Simon Taylor and Becky Bradley for taking the services, and to our parents who helped walk the children across to church.

### Ambassadors

Congratulations to all the following children who received their half-term Ambassadors Awards in assembly yesterday:

- 3B: Lewis Pearson & Lottie Florea
- 3G: Toby Beckingham & Erin Payne
- 4L: Joe Butt & Chloe Howarth
- 4W: Charlie Burrows & Emily Allpress
- 5M: Matthew Mead & Olivia Morris
- 5W: Reggie King & Saskia Newman
- 6E: Ben Ford & Amelia Alder
- 6P: Alex Meyrick & Lucy Thomas



### Munstead House Charity Day

We are pleased to announce that the Munstead House charity day was a great success and raised a fantastic £305.90 for Save the Children. The House Captains and Vice-captains did a brilliant job, and thank you for your generous donations.



The next House Charity Day is on 23rd March - Holloway House.

### Wishing Service

For today's assembly we held our first Christmas Wishing Service.

Christmas is such a hectic time of year both in and out of school. The idea of the Wishing Service is that we all just take a bit of a breather and think beyond ourselves to the world 'out there'. Each year group decided on their wish (or hope) for the world this Christmas. Often when we think of 'wishing' at Christmas it is all about presents for ourselves. The very act of discussing the wishes for the world in class helped the children to think beyond themselves. Each wish was read out and then hung onto our Christmas tree in the school hall. Each year group also selected a carol that they wanted the school to sing.



Here are the Christmas Wishes shared by the children:

Year 3 - "To bring hope to the orphaned children in Zimbabwe".

Year 4 - "That everyone in the world has food and clean water and a chance to enjoy life".

Year 5 - "We wish for peace with wars across the world ceasing for the day and with everyone knowing that they are loved by someone at Christmas".

Year 6 - "Our wish is that the homeless will find somewhere to live".

### End of a Long Term ... !

Phew! The end of term is upon us. The Autumn Term is always quite a marathon, and this one has been in particular as it is my first at Busbridge CE Junior School. Can I say a huge thank you to everyone associated with the school for welcoming me so warmly. I have so enjoyed this term. It has been wonderful to immerse myself in the excellent ways of Busbridge whilst also being able to bring in a few changes along the way. I will enjoy the Christmas break, but I am also very excited for all we will be doing in the Spring Term. Please remember that your child's homework is to unstack the dishwasher at first asking and write 'Thank You' letters to assorted relatives. Fingers crossed ...

**Finally, a reminder we return to school on Thursday 4th January 2018.**

**Happy Christmas from everyone at Busbridge CE Junior School**



**Richard Catchpole - Headteacher**

### School Meals:

The amount for the next half term 4th January to 9th February 2018:



Year 3 : £60.75

Year 4 : £60.75

Year 5 : £60.75

Year 6 : £60.75

**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 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".

### Primary School Applications

Surrey County Council have asked if we could please remind parents with younger children that the closing date for Reception and Primary school (year 3) applications for September 2018 entry is

**Monday 15th January 2018.**

Full information is available on Surrey's website at [www.surreycc.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.surreycc.gov.uk/admissions).

### Busbridge Breakfast & After-school Care Club

***\*\*Please note After School Club is cancelled on Tuesday 9th January 2018 due to staff training\*\****

**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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