

# **Busbridge CofE Junior**

Newsletter

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# **Dates for Your Diary**

#### Oct 2018 Tues 2nd Parent tour 2 at 9.30am for parents of children for Year 3 Sept 2019 entry Tues 2nd GLP consultation meeting at Godalming Junior School at 7.00pm Fri 5th Year 6 Egyptian Workshop in school Tues 9th Harvest Festival Church Services: 9.30am - Lower school / 11.00am - Upper School (parents welcome to join us) Wed 10th Parent tour 3 at 11.00am for parents of children for Year 3 Sept 2019 entry Thurs 11th Parent tour 4 at 9.30am for parents of children for Year 3 Sept 2019 entry Parents' Evening 6.00pm-8.30pm Mon 15th (\*moved from Thurs 18th\*) Tues 16th Year 3 trip to Butser Ancient Farm Tues 16th Hockey tournament at Broadwater School (Y4/Y6) Wed 17th Class 6M Assembly at 9.15am Wed 17th Parents' evening 4.00pm-6.30pm Thurs 18th Chocolate DoubleDay Fri 19th Chocolate DoubleDay Half-Term 22nd to 26th October Mon 29th **INSET Day** Wed 31st Closing date for secondary school applications for Y6 children (Y7 Sept 2019 entry) Wed 31st Year 3, 4 & 5 Nasal Flu Immunisations Nov 2018 Mon 5th Friends PTA Fireworks Night Wed 7th Class 6E Assembly at 9.15am Wed 7th Badminton Tournament at Broadwater

#### School (Y5/Y6) Thurs 8th Phil the Bag drop off Fri 9th Phil the Bag collection Sat 10th AM: Glebelands Cross-Country races Mon 12th Y6 Level 2 Bikeability starts (details to follow) Fri 16th Year 5 trip to Preston Manor Fri 23rd Friends PTA Quiz Night (\*moved from Sat 24th\*) Sat 8th Dec Friends PTA Christmas Fair

# **AUTUMN TERM 2018**

4th September to 19th December 2018 Half Term: 22nd October to 26th October 2018 **INSET DAY Tuesday 4th September 2018** INSET DAY - Monday 29th October 2018

# **New Arrivals**



We are delighted to announce we have had 2 new babies arrive into the Busbridge CofE Junior School family. Mrs Bishop gave birth to a baby girl Grace Eloise last Friday, and Mr Pearne's wife gave birth to a baby girl Poppy just yesterday. Both mums and both babies are doing well and as Mr Pearne

said 'we are over the moon'! We wish both families all the very best and extend our congratulations from the whole school community.

# Year 3 Phonics

Year 3 continue to impress us with their attitude and hard work. Over the next few weeks, we plan to take advantage of Miss Gruzman's Key Stage 1 teaching skills. Some children have already been working with her doing some phonics revision while other children in Year 3 work with Mrs Auger consolidating their spelling work from Key Stage 1. There is a list of National Curriculum spelling requirements for year 3 and year 4, as well as a list for years 5 and 6, which can be found in this document: https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/ government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\_data/file/239784/ English Appendix 1 - Spelling.pdf

# **VLE and Curriculum Information**

Next week in class, the year 3's will also be given their picture password log-ins to use the Virtual Learning Environment (VLE). Years 4, 5 and 6 already have theirs. The picture password is unique to each child and must not be shared with another child. The VLE is a web based programme that lets the children share their learning in class with parents at home and can be accessed via our school website www.busbridge-junior.surrey.sch.uk. Each class has its own page which has information about learning tasks, homework and more general information for each year group. Curriculum details will also be put on the school website for each year group under 'Pupils and Learning', as well as lots of other information which you may find useful so we recommend you check the website regularly.

# Safeguarding in School

Busbridge CofE Junior School continues to be wholeheartedly committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of our children. As a school, we expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Please refer to the updated Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy on our school website. A hard copy is available on request from the school office, and is available to read in the folder on the reception hatch. For your information, the Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) in school is myself Mr Richard Catchpole, and the Deputy DSL is Mrs Rachel Barker. If you have any concerns please contact one of us. The governor for safeguarding is Rev Simon Taylor. We are grateful to parents for parental help in school or on trips. If you would like to offer help we ask that you complete a DBS check. Please email Mrs Mitchell in the school office if you need to apply for a DBS check who will send you the relevant information.

# Parent Evenings - Monday 15th October 6pm-8.30pm and Wednesday 17th October 4pm-6.30pm

Parent evenings are coming up on Monday 15th October from 6.00pm to 8.30pm and on Wednesday 17th October from 4.00pm to 6.30pm. To make bookings we plan to use the **electronic E-schools booking system** as before accessed using parental log-ins via our school website, or via the E-schools app if you have downloaded it - recommended if you haven't got it! We will issue new parental log-ins/booking system instructions to year 3 or any new parents beginning of next week. Parents in year 4, 5 and 6 will already have their parental log-ins so please check you have these in place ready to go on the **booking system which will open from 11.00am on Wednesday 3rd October to make appointments.** 

# Harvest Festival Services - Tuesday 9th October: 9.30am Years 3 & 4 / 11.00am Years 5 & 6

As mentioned in last week's news update, our Harvest Festival services take place at Busbridge Church on Tuesday 9th October at 9.30am for years 3&4 and at 11.00am for year 5&6. Parents and carers are invited to join us for these services. The children should be dropped to school at the normal time and will be walked across to church by members of our staff for the services. We are supporting the Foodbank collection the church organises so if you are able to make a donation please check the list attached with this newsletter for appropriate items to donate. The children can bring these into school with them on Tuesday 9th October and will carry them over to church with them.

# Nasal Flu Immunisations - Wednesday 31st October

Nasal flu immunisations will take place in school on the morning of Wednesday 31st October for Years 3, 4 and 5. A letter with details and consent form is coming home with the children. Please return the completed consent form stating if you do <u>or</u> do not want your child to have the immunisation by Monday 8th October.

#### **Data Sheets**

Thank you to parents who have returned completed data sheets so far. Please can parents/carers return all completed data sheets by Monday 8th October giving at least  $\underline{3}$  contacts in priority order in case we need contact about a child through the course of the school day.

#### **Art Competition**

Today in assembly, Godalming College art student Sophie Baker launched an Art competition for our children to enter as part of her EPQ A-level work. She is making a children's illustrated book and has asked the children to design a book character. The competition is optional - pictures should be drawn at home on A4 paper and entries given to Mrs Barker with the completed permission slip by Wednesday 10th October. Entry forms and details are available from the class teachers or from the school office. Good luck and we look forward to seeing the children's creations!

#### **Sporting News**

Great news! We have achieved the silver award for the School Games Mark which is a government led scheme to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across the school and into the community. Participating in this process allows schools to evaluate their PE provision and assists them in developing an action plan for future progress. Thank you to Clare Parsons and Bill Bingham for all the hard work they have put into this over the past year, and to all the children for their fabulous efforts!

# **Richard Catchpole - Headteacher**

**School Meals Payment Amounts:** The amount for the next half term Wed 5th September - Fri 19th October is:

- Year 3 : £73.60 (taking into account Butser trip)
- Year 4 : £75.90
- Year 5 : £75.90
- Year 6 : £64.40 (taking into account Windmill Hill)

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 <u>in advance</u>. 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".

# **Use of School Toilets**

Please can we remind you that if you or your child needs to use the school toilets before 3.30pm when picking up at the end of the school day,

please come to reception and use the main toilets.

The toilets the children use in the rest of the building during the school day are <u>not</u> for general use. Thank you for your understanding and co-operation.

# 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

Please contact Mrs Jackie McPhail - 07432 304562 Email: jmcphail@busbridge-junior.surrey.sch.uk





