



Busbridge CE Junior School

Newsletter

Spring Term 2018 No: 3

9th February 2018

Learn to love + Love to learn

Dates for Your Diary

February 2018

Mon 12th to Fri 16th Half-Term

Mon 19th Feb **INSET Day**

- Tues 20th Children back to school
- Wed 21st Basketball festival (Y5/Y6) 3.30-5pm
- Wed 21st Year 6 SATs parent information evening at 6.30pm
- Mon 26th Test contact text to Y4 parents for Sayers Croft trip at 11am
- Tues 27th Parents' evening 6.00pm-8.30pm
- Wed 28th Class 4W assembly at 9.15am
- Wed 28th Parents' evening 4.00pm-6.30pm

March 2018

- Thurs 1st Double Day - BJS 150th Birthday!
- Fri 2nd Double Day
- Mon 5th to Year 4 Residential trip to
- Wed 7th Sayers Croft, Cranleigh
- Tues 6th American Football festival (Y5/6) at The Edge Leisure Centre, Haslemere 9.15-11.30am
- Sat 10th Godalming & District Schools Swimming Gala at Broadwater Leisure Centre start 6.00pm (details to follow)
- Mon 12th Year 6 Netball Tournament at Rodborough School 1.00-3.15pm
- Mon 12th Full Governing Body meeting 4.00pm
- Tues 13th Year 6 'Drugsfreeze' workshop with Guildford Flames 11.00am-12.00pm
- Wed 14th Class 3B assembly at 9.15am
- Mon 19th Class 6E trip to Godalming Museum
- Mon 19th Year 5 Netball Tournament at Rodborough School 1.00-3.15pm
- Wed 21st Class 6P trip to Godalming Museum
- Wed 21st Indoor Football Festival (Y3/Y4)
- Fri 23rd Friends of BJS Bounce for Books
- Mon 26th School choir - Primary Schools Music Festival, Princes Hall Aldershot 7.00pm-8.30pm
- Tues 27th Easter Services at Busbridge Church 9.30am - Years 3 & 4 / 11.00am Year 5 & 6
- Wed 28th Class 3G Assembly
- Thurs 29th End of term

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

Busbridge CE Junior School 150th Anniversary DoubleDay



Plans are really taking shape for our 150th anniversary celebrations. On Thursday 1st and Friday 2nd March we will be celebrating our school's 150th anniversary by having a DoubleDay. During this time, the whole school will take part in a range of creative lessons and activities to learn about the history of our school, and what life was like for school children in the Victorian times to the present day. New classes made up of children from every other class in the school will rotate around the teachers who will teach them a lesson they have prepared. On Thursday 1st March we are asking the children to come dressed up as a Victorian school child to help them get into character for the events of the day. We will also encourage the children to come dressed up in the clothes of another period that the school has lived through for Friday 2nd March (this could be from present times back to the Victorian era).



Ambassadors...

Congratulations to this half term's Ambassadors who are:

- 3B: Emilia Page & Henny Forder
- 3G: Kieran Eaves & Kitty Newman
- 4L: Evie Wright & Thomas Bottger
- 4W: Beatrice Vocking & Michael Smallwood
- 5M: Liam Hutchinson & Harry Boparai
- 5W: Jack Silius & Freya Leatham
- 6E: Ben Searle & Isabel de Chazal
- 6P: Olivia Parsons & Jacob Williamson



Internet Safety Day

As we all know, the internet is now an integral part of our lives. It brings many benefits but problems too. We regularly teach our children about Esafety and being safe online. To remind our children about safety we use the acronym 'SMART'.

S ...Safe - never give out personal information unless you absolutely need to.

M ...Meet - never arrange to meet someone who you meet on the internet unless you and your parents know them.

A ...Accepting - only open emails and attachments if you know where they come from and they are safe.

R ...Reliable - remember that not everything you read, see and hear on the internet is true!!

T ...Tell - tell a parent or teacher if you see or hear something on the internet which worries you or frightens you.

Important reminders for us all - ask your children all about it!

Rocks and Fossils Talk to Year 3

Following their Fossil Workshop, one of our parents in year 3, who is a geologist, kindly came and talked to the year 3 children about his work. Thank you to Mr Bessa for showing the children some rocks and fossils, and for explaining how they are formed.

Year 5 Class Assemblies

Over the last couple of weeks, our two Y5 classes presented their class assemblies to parents and the school. 5W told us all about their topic work on the Victorians, while 5M shared with us what they have learnt about Natural Disasters. 5W dressed in a stunning array of Victorian costumes and some fancy modern-day dress, delivered an assembly packed full of information on different influential characters from the Victorian era - some fictional and some real! Despite a few technical hiccups, the resilience the children showed was outstanding and truly professional!



During 5M's assembly, the children took on the role of scientists to explain how different natural disasters are caused, and the effect they can have on the environment and people. Some children demonstrated the earthquake drills that many schools practise to keep them safe, whilst two children were dressed as fire fighters on standby for any other disasters that may occur! Both classes proudly delivered the lines they worked so hard to learn, and all the children performed brilliantly. Thank you to Miss Warner and Miss Mistry for preparing the children so well, and to all the parents who came to see the performances and helping to provide costumes.

Year 3 and Year 4 Romans and Vikings Workshops

Last week, the Y3 and Y4 children took part in the Roman and Viking workshops run by the Rainbow Theatre Company who once again put on brilliantly authentic performances bringing these times gone by to life.



Our Y4 children re-enacted Viking times in some very authentic outfits, while our Y3 children had the opportunity to become a Roman or Pict. Incredible performances led by the workshop actors, kept the children entertained and taught them so much



about life in Roman and Viking Britain. Funny moments included a sacrificial pig (played by Scarlett) chasing a Roman priest around the temple and Roman children (played by Toby and Sam) accompanying their father to the communal Roman toilets! The children's comments summed it up: "I loved the Roman workshop - I wish I could do it again! I loved it when the slaves were waxing the Roman Empress's eyebrows and pulled it too hard!" (Erin 3G). "I loved it when we did the play altogether!" (Hattie 3B). One year four said, "They made the play really realistic so it was like you were actually there". Another year 4 said, "I enjoyed the acting, it was a good experience and the best workshop that I have ever had!" Thank you to all the parents for helping the children took the part in their fabulous costumes and to all the children for engaging and participating so enthusiastically in the workshops.

The Music Works - Free taster sessions in school

We are pleased to announce the Music Works in Milford are introducing group music lessons to our school. After half term the children will have the opportunity of a free taster lesson in electric guitar, keyboard and drums which our teachers have already discussed with the children. The children will have a free, fun 15 minute group session with one of the Music Works Yamaha trained specialist teachers. After the taster sessions Music Works will send forms home via the children for parents to choose if they wish to take up group lessons which will start in the summer term. We are excited at the prospect of working alongside Music Works to expand musical opportunities within the school.



Richard Catchpole - Headteacher

School Meals:

The amount for the next half term 20th February to 29th March 2018:



Year 3 : £63.00

Year 4 : £56.25 (taking into account Sayers Croft trip)

Year 5 : £63.00

Year 6 : £60.75 (taking into account Godalming Museum trip)

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".

Healthy Schools - Bronze award

Great news....this week we received a Bronze award maintaining our Healthy Schools status. This is an award accredited by the Surrey Healthy Schools team who review our provision annually and decide whether we have met the criteria of the Surrey Healthy Schools programme. We would like to take this opportunity to remind you that the children are asked to bring in a healthy snack at breaktime - thank you for your support

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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