



# Busbridge CofE Junior School

## Newsletter

*Cherish*  *Challenge*

**Autumn Term 2019 No: 7**

**20th December 2019**

### Dec 2019

Fri 20th End of Term - School breaks up at 2.00pm  
**Christmas Holiday**

### Jan 2020

Mon 6th Return to school  
Wed 15th Closing date for Reception & Year 3 Primary  
School Applications  
Mon 20th Year 3 & 4 Rainbow Theatre Romans &  
Vikings Workshops in school (AM)  
Tues 21st Sayers Croft Residential Trip meeting for  
Year 4 parents at 6pm  
Fri 24th Class 3W Assembly (parents/carers invited)  
Mon 27th 'Happy Monday' - dance & mufti day

### Feb 2020

Wed 5th Class 4WT Assembly (parents/carers invited  
- please note this assembly is on a Wed not a Fri)  
Tues 11th Safer Internet Day  
Tues 11th Parents' Evening 6.00pm-8.30pm  
Wed 12th Parents' Evening 4.00pm-6.30pm  
Fri 14th INSET day 3

### Half-Term

w/c Mon 24th One World Week  
Wed 26th Year 4 Internet Safety talk (PM)

### Mar 2020

Fri 6th Class 5L Assembly (parents/carers invited)  
Mon 9th Year 4 Residential trip to Sayers Croft  
Wed 11th  
Fri 27th Class 4P Assembly (parents/carers invited)

### April 2020

Fri 3rd School breaks up at 2pm  
**Easter Holiday**

### SPRING TERM 2020

Monday 6th January to Friday 3rd April 2020  
**Half Term:** Monday 17th to Friday 21st February 2020  
**INSET Day 3: Friday 14th February 2020**

### SUMMER TERM 2020

Monday 20th April to Wednesday 22nd July 2020  
**INSET Day 4: Monday 20th April 2020**  
**May/VE day Bank Holiday: school closed Friday 8th May 2020** (note moved from Monday 4th May 2020)  
**INSET Day 5: Friday 22nd May 2020**  
**Half Term:** Monday 25th to Friday 29th May



### A very happy Christmas to everyone

On behalf of all the teaching staff, LSAs, school office team and Mario, a big thank you to all parents and carers who have given us encouraging words, Christmas cards and gifts. We are very grateful for your thoughtfulness and generosity.

### Charity Reindeer Run

Last Friday Busbridge House Captains and Vice Captains organised our first sponsored Reindeer Run in aid of the Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice in Farnham. The children had a glorious time decked out in antlers and Christmas jumpers as they ran around the course. We are indebted to our neighbours the Harvie family for letting us dash and prance across some of their fields. This was far more interesting (and tiring!) for the children and staff rather than just using the school grounds.



Molly (Y5) said that *'she stepped in the same pile of horse manure three times but it was worth it knowing that money was being raised for Phyllis Tuckwell'*. Bethan (Y6) said that *'the run was tiring but it was worth it for a great cause'*.

The monies are being counted by Phyllis Tuckwell and at the moment we have raised in excess of £2000!! We will receive an official thank you letter and certificate from Phyllis Tuckwell in the new year once all the monies have been received confirming the total amount raised.

### School Christmas Lunch

After the Reindeer Run we all enjoyed a delicious Christmas school lunch. Thank you to Jenny and Tracy for cooking the tasty festive fare and to our wonderful staff team for entertaining the children with Christmas music.

### Busbridge Football Kit

We would like to say a huge thank you to Mrs How who through PUMA has delivered our new lower school football kit. As you can see in the photo (a mix of Y3 and Y4 are wearing the kit) it looks superb: no longer will our Y3/Y4 teams wear tops with sleeves that trail almost to the ground! In the new year we will organise a Y3/Y4 match so that the kit can get an official run-out. Thank you once again Mrs How and PUMA.



### Foundation Governor Vacancy

We currently have two vacancies on our Governing Body within the Foundation Governor category. Their role is the same as other governors, but they have particular responsibility for ensuring the 'distinctly Christian' ethos of our school. If you wish to find out more please speak to Ron Downhill (chairofgovs@busbridge-junior.surrey.sch.uk) or Rev Simon Taylor (staylor@busbridge-junior.surrey.sch.uk).

### Ambassadors

Congratulations to this half-term's ambassadors who received their Ambassador Awards in assembly yesterday.

Our Ambassadors are:

Class 3B: Rosie Newman & Reuben Tasker  
Class 3W: Gracie Maybey & Max Carroll  
Class 4P: Ethan Gionis & Lottie Allen  
Class 4WT: Harrison Pratt & Leila Whiteman

Class 5A: Emily Broadbent & Luchia Neal Literas  
Class 5L: Jake Rexha & Scarlett Yau  
Class 6E: Harry Roberts & Kyah Wilkinson  
Class 6M: Fraser Thomas & Emma Connor



### Christmas Church Services

Simon, Anto and David gave us a very warm welcome across at Busbridge Church on Tuesday when we went there for our Lower School and Upper School Christmas services. The children's singing was as stunning as the decorations / lighting in the church - a wonderful way to celebrate the message of Christmas. I am always impressed by the content and age-appropriate delivery of the services which Simon and his team lead for the school. A big thank you to them, along with the parents who joined us.

### Wishing Service

Christmas is such a hectic time of year both in and out of school. Today's Wishing Service allows us to take a bit of a breather and think beyond ourselves. Each year group decides on their wish (or hope) for the world this Christmas, reads it out to the school and hangs it on the Christmas tree in the hall. Often when we think of 'wishing' at Christmas it is all about presents for ourselves. The very act of discussing a wish for the world in class helped the children to think beyond themselves. The wishes by year group are:

**Year 3** - for those who are poorly or lonely this Christmas to feel comforted through the love and light of Jesus. For everyone's wishes to come true and that we are all able to enjoy this Christmas with those that we love.

**Year 4** - to take care of each other by praying for those less fortunate or lonely this Christmas. For the planet to be looked after, hope people will pollute less and reduce the amount of greenhouse gases being released into the atmosphere.

**Year 5** - for every person to have a home, be happy and enjoy their lives. For people to be kind and supportive of those less fortunate by being generous, treating them like equals and donating if they are able.

**Year 6** - for those that have lost people or are alone this Christmas to feel happy and loved over Christmas

### End of term ....!

The Autumn Term is always a bit of a marathon, but we have reached the end! We have had another really successful term at school in so many ways. Thank you for your ongoing support of all we do. It's all about providing the very best that we can for your children. January 2020 will be with us before we know it, but I for one am looking forward to a few lie-ins!

Finally, a reminder we return to school on Monday 6th January 2020

Happy Christmas from everyone at Busbridge CofE Junior School - have a restful holiday.

Richard Catchpole - Headteacher

### School Meals:

The amount for the next half term 6th January to 13th February 2020 will be:

Year 3 : £68.15  
Year 4 : £68.15  
Year 5 : £68.15  
Year 6 : £68.15



Amount per day: £2.35      Amount per week: £11.75

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 Parent-mail PMX 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".

### Godalming Learning Partnership (GLP) GET Teaching Programme

The GLP run an exciting opportunity to train as a teacher in partnership with Winchester University.

If you are interested in joining this successful **GET Teaching** one year school direct programme, apply now to start in September 2020.

**Find out more about the course and how to apply at [www.getteaching.org](http://www.getteaching.org) or email [info@getteaching.org](mailto:info@getteaching.org)**

### Busbridge Breakfast & After-school Care Club

Times and costs 2019/20:

Breakfast Club from 7.50am - 8.45am @ £5.50  
After-school club half session 3.30-4.45pm @ £7  
After-school club full session 3.30-6.00pm @ £14

Please contact Mrs Jackie McPhail - 07432 304562  
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