



Busbridge CofE Junior School

Newsletter

Cherish + Challenge

Summer Term 2019 No: 5

24th July 2019

Dates for Your Diary

July 2019

Wed 24th End of term - break up at 2pm



Summer Holiday



Sept 2019

Wed 4th **INSET day**

Thurs 5th Children return to school

Fri 6th Friends of BJS Coffee Morning 9am-10am

Mon 9th Year 4 Swimming lessons start (PM)

Tues 10th Year 3 Welcome service at Busbridge

Church at 9.30am - parents welcome to join us

Tues 10th Curriculum Evening: 6pm - Y3 / 7pm - Y4

Thurs 12th Curriculum Evening: 6pm - Y5 / 7pm - Y6

Mon 16th School Photographs

Tues 17th Friends of BJS AGM at 7.00pm (tbc)

Thurs 19th Parent Tour for 2020/21 Y3 intake 9.15am

Mon 23rd to Year 6 Residential Trip to Windmill Hill

Fri 27th

Oct 2019

Wed 2nd Parent Tour for 2020/21 Y3 intake 9.15am

Wed 9th Maths Information Evening at 7pm

Fri 11th Parent Tour for 2020/21 Y3 intake 9.15am

Mon 14th Parent Tour for 2020/21 Y3 intake 9.15am

Tues 15th Year 3 trip to Butser Ancient Farm

Thurs 17th & SOS Planet Earth DoubleDay

Fri 18th SOS Planet Earth DoubleDay

Tues 22nd Parents Evenings 6.00pm-8.30pm

Wed 23rd Parents Evenings 4.00pm-6.30pm

AUTUMN TERM 2019

Wednesday 4th September to Friday 20th December 2019

INSET Day: Wednesday 4th September 2019

School starts back Thursday 5th September 2019

Half term: Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November 2019

INSET Day: Monday 4th November 2019

SPRING TERM 2020

Monday 6th January to Friday 3rd April 2020

Half Term: Monday 17th to Friday 21st February 2020

INSET Day: Friday 14th February 2020

SUMMER TERM 2020

Monday 20th April to Wednesday 22nd July 2020

INSET Day: Monday 20th April 2020

School starts back Tuesday 21st April 2020

May/VE day Bank Holiday: school closed Friday 8th

May 2020 (note moved from Monday 4th May 2020)

INSET Day: Friday 22nd May 2020

Half Term: Monday 25th to Friday 29th May

Another year gone ...

... and what a fabulous year it has been! I do not have room to give a round up, but needless to say Busbridge Junior remains a sparkly, energetic place to learn.

As a 'Thank you' to the children for all their hard work this year the staff performed a routine for them in assembly today (or was it just another excuse to be a bit silly?!)

We're hoping to get a link to the dance on the school website on the latest news page so on a rainy day in the holidays click on it to bring back the sunshine!

Farewells ...

We say a very fond farewell to **Mrs Callie Morgan**, our bursar of almost 20 year service. She has performed wonders behind the scenes keeping the school ship-shape. Her impact and expertise has benefitted the school in so many ways. We wish her a very happy and fulfilling retirement.

We also say a too-soon farewell to Miss Camilla Gruzman. She is such an able professional - Australia are very fortunate to be having her return home.

A big thank you...to all Friends Of BJS PTA, class reps, parent volunteers, whole staff team and Governors!

So many to say 'Thank You' to! It was lovely to see so many of you at our thank you tea last Friday. Many thanks to Jackie McPhail and her team for transforming the school hall into a beautiful café and organising the catering - all greatly enjoyed!

As the Lego Film says, "Teamwork makes the dream work".

We hope you enjoyed the recent summer BBQ which the Friends of BJS organised. It was lovely to see all the children with their families and friends enjoying time together sampling all the delicious catering and having fun. Sure lots of money raised too!

PTA Committee from September 2019 : As you know the current committee are standing down at the end of this academic year so we are still very keen to find people to run the PTA after them. If you are at all interested do please chat to Emma or Lorraine for a heads up on what is involved.

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Ambassadors

Congratulations to this half-term's ambassadors who are:

3A: Joel Newman & Isabella Kennedy

3G: Isabel Dubock & Leon Garner

4P: Henny Forder & Blossom Blacklay

4WT: Niamh Sanders & Freddie Willis

5L: Charlie Farrow & Isabel Bowden

5W: Nina Gray & Ben Taylor

6E: Rufus Howey & Rachel Landsman

6M: Susannah Lyon & Oscar Stephens



Charity Fundraising

The school has been involved in some fantastic fundraising this school year culminating in the Tuesley House Mufti Charity Day on Tuesday 9th July in aid of Farncombe Day Centre. The children came in mufti and brought in silver coins for each class to create a coin trail in the playground. All of the money raised from the coin trail was then donated to Farncombe Day Centre who came into school for assembly last week and picked up a cheque for an amazing ****£423****. Well done to 3G and 5W for the longest coin trail / most amount collected.

Sports Events Round-Up, Participation in Sport at School and Sports Gold Mark

Our Year 5s enjoyed a splendid afternoon at Farncombe Cricket Club and then a Rounders tournament at Broadwater a couple of weeks ago. The teamwork and enthusiasm in both events was a joy to see - well done to all.

The crowning glory of this year's sporting calendar was the phenomenal performance our school put in at the District Sports competition at Charterhouse School on Wednesday 10th July. Seven trophies were there to compete for and we won SIX of them. 92% of our children have represented the school in sport this year and we have just been awarded the Gold Sports Mark award. What a team!

Godalming in Bloom

Our green fingered gardening club, under the expert guidance of Mrs Toulson, have once again done wonders in the school garden. The Godalming in Bloom team of judges together with the Mayor came into school to judge the talents of our gardening club who were then invited to a special evening ceremony on Wednesday 10th July. They were presented with a commended certificate and £35 of Squire vouchers to reward their brilliant efforts - the judges loved the fact that the children knew lots about the benefits of wildlife in their gardening. Congratulations to all and a special thank you to Mrs Mead for coming in each week to help Mrs Toulson and the gardening club.



Parking from September 2019

As you are all aware, the Village Hall car park is not a public one but, in return for an annual contribution from the school, parents/carers are able to use it at drop off and pick up times. However, due to ongoing parking issues particularly for the Blue Willow Nursery when cars are left by school parents for longer than just dropping off and picking up children from school, the Management Committee has now taken the decision **to lock the car park gate from 9.15am to 12 noon every day from the start of the new term in September**. We would like to remind you to find parking away from the school when visiting during the day or attending evening events. We trust that as a school community we will all respect that the village hall car park is a private facility for sole use by hirers of the village hall and abide by the timings we are given to use it - thank you for your cooperation with this.

Looking forward to 2019/20

We already have fab plans for next year : SOS Planet Earth DoubleDay, One World Week, Pet Day, Whole School Beach Trip. But before then, have a fantastic summer break. I hope you and your family are able to unwind, put the screens away and enjoy each others company. Holidays are not necessarily about going to fancy places (nice though that is) : they are about renewal and relationships, and that can just as easily happen with sandwiches down by the River Wey.

Have fun whatever you get up to! See you on September 5th!

Richard Catchpole - Headteacher

School Meals:

The amount for the next half term 5th September to 25th October:



Year 3 : £84.60 (taking into Butser Ancient Farm trip)

Year 4 : £86.95

Year 5 : £86.95

Year 6 : £75.20 (taking into account Year 6 Windmill Hill trip)

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 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 2019 the price of a school meal will increase to: £2.35 per child per day and £11.75 a week

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

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