



Busbridge CofE Junior School

Newsletter

Summer Term 2023 No: 4

4th July 2023

Cherish  Challenge

Term Dates 2022/23 & 2023/24

Summer 2023	
Wed 5th July	Whole School Beach Trip!
Thurs 6th July	Non-Uniform Day (PTA Bottle donations)
Fri 7th July	PTA Summer BBQ (6—8pm)
Mon 10th—14th July	Book Fair in School
Tues 11th & Thurs 13th July - 7pm	Year 6 Play
Tues 18th July	Year 6 Church Leavers Service
Wed 19th July	Strawberry Tea for Volunteers/Helpers
Fri 21st July	End of Summer Term—1.30pm

Autumn 2023	
Fri 1st Sept	Staff Inset Day
Mon 4th Sept	Staff Inset Day
Tues 5th Sept	Children Return to School
Fri 15th Sept	Individual School Photos
Mon 18th to Fri 22nd Sept	Year 6 Residential to Windmill Hill
Mon 18th Sept	Year 4 Swimming Lessons start
Tues 19th Sept	PTA AGM
Mon 9th Oct	Year 6 Bikeability Level 2 starts
Tues 17th Oct	Year 3 trip to Butser Farm
Mon 23rd to Fri 27th Oct	Half Term



It is hard to believe that we are nearing the end of this academic year—I think it is fair to say that this year has absolutely

flown by! The last few weeks will be busy, with our beach day, Year 6 play, PTA Summer BBQ, various musical events and the year 6 Leavers' Church Service.

At the end of this term we will sadly be saying 'Good Bye' and 'Thank you' to three members of staff - Mrs Brockman, Mrs Mead and Miss Luff. They will all be hugely missed by the team at Busbridge—and I know by the children and parents too....

Pet Day

The school went pet crazy on Monday 12th June at our biennial Pet Day! We saw ducks, hamsters, cats, dogs, stick insects and a tortoise to name but a few! Throughout the day, the children learnt all about pet safety, pet care and how to be safe around dogs. The 40 or so dogs were impeccably behaved in the afternoon: very impressive! A fun and informative day for all.

PTA Family Cycle Ride

On Saturday 17th June, we held our second PTA family cycle ride from Bramley to Cranleigh. About 50 adults and children set off down the disused railway line to picnic in Cranleigh. I was so impressed with the cycling skills and determination of all who took part.

Sports Day

Thank you to everyone who joined us for Sports Day recently. There were plenty of stellar athletic performances, as well as an abundance of wonderful sporting behaviour.

Beach Trip to Littlehampton - tomorrow! (Wed 5th)

Tomorrow the whole school will once again be off to the beach for the day! Coaches will be leaving school at 9am, with drop-off from 8.30 to avoid congestion. We plan to be back between 3.45pm and 4.15pm. **The office staff will send you an email when your child's coach is 10 minutes away from school.** This will hopefully help you plan pick-up. Information on what your child needs to bring on the day was included in the beach day letter sent out on 21st June. Must-haves include a packed lunch and snacks (nut-free), sun lotion, sun hat, water bottle, towel and spare clothes. Please note that the village hall car park will not be available for pick-up on the day.

Year 6 Leavers' Service at Guildford Cathedral

On Wednesday 14th June, Year 6 attended their Leavers' Service at Guildford Cathedral. The children took part in reflective activities alongside other local schools and a short service. The whole event is a poignant and thought provoking point in the school calendar, and was very much enjoyed this year.

Safeguarding / Child Protection Policy Our Safeguarding / Child Protection Policy can be found on our school website: [Safe-guarding & Child Protection](#). It outlines roles and responsibilities in the school and who to speak to if you have a concern about a child. Just to remind you, Mr Catchpole, Mrs Barker and Mrs McPhail are our Designated Safeguarding Leads.

Year 4 Cricket Tournament

On Thursday 29th June, some of our Year 4 children attended a Cricket Tournament at Farncombe Cricket Club. When asked if they enjoyed it, the answer was a resounding "Yes!". Xanthe said she loved the teamwork, while Anna enjoyed trying her best and having the opportunity to do something different. Darcey, Jessica and Olivia loved batting, especially since Jessica got the ball over the boundary. Keen bowlers, Oscar, Ricky and Tommy had a brilliant time bowling and catching people out. Oscar loved going into 'Sports Mode'; well done Year 4!

Friends of Busbridge Update!

Summer BBQ - Don't forget to put Friday 7th July in your diary for our annual Summer BBQ. The Friends of Busbridge team are busy planning what promises to be a really fun event. Fingers crossed for good weather!

Primary Engineers Award -2023- great success!

On Thursday 22nd June, Preston Evans (year 5) and Anna Spencer (year 4) attended the Primary Engineers award ceremony for the South East region - it was all the way down in Canterbury! They both received distinction awards and were winners for their year group for their amazing inventions: 'An Emergency Scrunchie' (Anna's) and an 'Auto Snow Shovel' (Preston's.) Lots more children from our school also had their inventions on display and had won distinction awards (14 children across all year groups) which is a fantastic result. Well done to everyone who entered this fabulous competition - there were some truly imaginative inventions created!



District Sports

Hot off the press. We competed in our local area large-schools District Sports competition this morning. We took along 60 children, who all took part magnificently. There were many stand-out performances, but all did well to keep competing, especially when the rain came down. A huge well done to our Year Six children who won the Y6 age group trophy. Overall, BJS came 3rd. Huge thanks to Mrs Parsons and Bill Bingham for all the time training the children.

Superstars Board—Since the last newsletter, we have added:

- * Max A (4W) - For swimming every week for 8 weeks during the Surrey Youth Games! Wow!
- * Isla W (5S) - For raising £35 by selling brownies for the WWF! Amazing work
- * Alex and Freya R (3B & 3BF) - For swimming 1km each to raise money (£700) for a cancer charity. Impressive!

Richard Catchpole - Headteacher

School Meals:

The amount for the next half term Tuesday Monday 5th June to Friday 21st July 2023:

Year 3 : £91.80

Year 4 : £91.80

Year 5 : £91.80

Year 6 : £89.10

Amount per day: £2.70 Amount per week: £13.50

Please note, as mentioned in a previous newsletter, school meals are increasing from £2.60 to £2.70 per day due to ongoing exceptional circumstances driving up food and energy prices. 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 Arbor regularly.*



Busbridge Breakfast & After-school Club (ASC)

Spaces are available in the Breakfast & After-School Club from Tuesday 18th April. Please contact the Club Manager, Jackie McPhail, to book. Session costs are as follows:

Breakfast Club 7.50am - 8.45am - £6.10

ASC half session 3.30-4.45pm - £7.70

ASC full session 3.30-6.00pm - £15.40

To make a booking please contact Mrs Jackie McPhail on 07432 304562 or by email: club@busbridge-junior.surrey.sch.uk

Our Safeguarding / Child Protection Policy has been updated and can be found on our school website: [Welcome to Busbridge C of E Junior School \(busbridge-junior.surrey.sch.uk\)](https://www.busbridge-junior.surrey.sch.uk) .