



Busbridge CofE Junior School

Newsletter

Spring Term 2025 No: 4

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Term Dates 2024/25

Spring 2025	
Mon 10th March	Class 6S Trip to Godalming Museum
Thurs 13th March	Year 5 Trip to Winchester Science Museum
Fri 14th March	Bouncing for Boards
Sat 15th March	Swimming Gala - 1.30pm to 3.30pm
Mon 17th March	Class 6W Trip to Godalming Museum
Thurs 27th March	Music Works Concert - 9.30am
Fri 28th March	Class 4LT Assembly
Mon 31st March to 3rd April	Easter Bake Off
Wed 2nd April	Easter Services at Busbridge Church
Fri 4th April	End of Term - 1.30pm
Tues 22nd April	INSET DAY - Staff only
Wed 23rd April	Children return to school for Summer Term
Mon 28th April	Year 4 Bikeability Starts
Tues 29th April	Children's Disco
Fri 2nd May	Class 4S Assembly & Star Wars Day
Thurs 8th May	Class Photos and Year 6 Leavers' Photo
Thurs 15th May	Year 4 Trip to RHS Wisley Year 5 Greeks Workshop
Fri 16th May	Class 3BF Assembly
Mon 19th May	Year 6 Egyptian Math's Sessions
Fri 23rd May	INSET DAY
Mon 26th to Fri 30th May	Half Term break

Safeguarding / Child Protection Policy

Our Safeguarding / Child Protection Policy can be found on our school [website](#). 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, and Mrs P Baker and Mrs A Watson are our Safeguarding Governors.



School is back in full swing following the half term break and the last two weeks have sped by. We had a fantastic time in school yesterday celebrating World Book Day, and today the school has been filled with the delicious smell of pancakes thanks to the Busbridge House Captains! The sun was shining for the Year 4 residential to Sayers Croft this week - and wow, did they have a good time (more on this below)! We are now gearing up for the PTA Bouncing for Boards event next week and much, much more!

Safer Internet Day 2025

The week before half term provided the opportunity for a discussion about staying safe online and the theme this year was Scams. In assembly, we discussed what a scam is; what to look out for; how and why people do this; and what to do when these situations appear online. We discussed that it was unlikely a random stranger would come up to anyone in the park and offer them free cash or gadgets without us thinking it was strange. As a consequence, we might want to consider whether we click on links offering similar prizes in games without reflecting on who put it there and why. We discussed the idea that companies and others may want to gather personal data for marketing or scamming, plus the risk of downloading a virus from the link. Please take this opportunity to talk to your children about spam and links to online prizes and what they should do if they come across them.

Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel 2025

This year we have signed up to take part in the Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel between 24th March and 4th April! The aim of the challenge is to inspire families to make more active journeys by walking, wheeling, cycling or scooting to school, which not only boosts health, but also improves air quality and makes a difference to the world around us. We will be telling the children more about the challenge in an assembly very soon, but in the meantime, further information can be found on page 3 of this newsletter!

Foodbank donations

Thank you to those of you who have been able to donate to our Foodbank collection so far this term. Please do so if you are able to. If you are able to help be part of the team who take the donations to the food bank as and when necessary, please contact Mrs Barker at rbarker@busbridge-junior.surrey.sch.uk.

World Book Day

On Thursday 6th March we celebrated World Book Day. It was fantastic to see the children (and staff!) dressed up and excited about sharing books with others. This year's theme was RAP and the children had a brilliant time writing their own raps about books! Many children came away thinking about new books they could read and the lessons they could learn from them. It was a great day. A huge thank you to Mrs Buchan for masterminding our BJS day and to all the parents/carers and staff who thought up some brilliant costumes!

2026/27 Determined Admission Arrangements

The final Admissions Policy and Supplementary Information Forms for Entry in September 2026 were determined by the Governing Body of the school at its meeting on 2nd December 2024. The final policy and forms can be found on our [website](#).

Class Assemblies

This years' class assemblies will be as follows (9.15am: an invite will be sent nearer the time of each assembly):

Friday 28th March—Class 4LT

Friday 2nd May — Class 4S

Friday 16th May — 3BF

Sayers Croft

Year 4 had a brilliant time at Sayers Croft this week. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed all the activities, worked fantastically as a team, and most of them even managed to get some sleep (well, on the second night they did!). The activities included bouldering, wall climbing, nature art, a maze, and a blindfold trail. Ella and Isabel from 4LT loved the maze so much that they even got themselves lost, while the rest of 4LT tried to get them back out! There was also a nightwalk, a trip to the souvenir shop (always a highlight), and a movie night. The sun shone, and the children were absolutely brilliant - a great residential adventure was had by all! A huge thank you to all the staff who went on the trip and to the Sayers Croft leaders.



PTA Update

Save the Date - Bouncing for Boards is back on Friday 14th March! A letter providing more information was sent home with your child this week, as well as a sponsorship form. Please can you ensure that your child brings in their form either on the morning of the event, or before. The 'Board' in question is the planned new interactive screen/board for the Hall.

We are also looking for event leaders for the summer BBQ (11th July) and the fireworks event (7th November). These events may not be able to go ahead without leaders. Thank you in advance for your willingness to give of your time to "Create Fun and Raise Funds".

Sports Update - Benchball

Last week we took two teams to a benchball tournament at Rodborough School. The children enjoyed a range of skills sessions before the tournament. All the children worked hard, showed good teamwork and super enthusiasm. Great fun was had by all. Well done to everybody who took part.

Superstars Board

Our SuperStars board in the entrance hall is a brilliant way of celebrating out of school achievements, such as competitions, sporting events, volunteering etc... Do email in a photo and a brief outline of your child's achievement if you would like them to feature on our board. This week we have added:

- ◆ Tommy G (6W) - For representing not only our school in athletics, but also Surrey! Tommy recently took part in the Surrey Southern regional Finals and took 1st place in the standing long jump! Very impressive!
- ◆ Anna S (6W) - For achieving Stage 7 in ice skating! Anna can perform jumping on the ice and is currently perfecting how to jump and land on one foot. Wow!

Richard Catchpole - Headteacher

School Meals:

The amount for the next half term - Monday 24th February to Friday 4th April 2025:

Year 3 : £84.00

Year 4 : £75.60

Year 5 : £81.20

Year 6 : £81.20

Amount per day: £2.80 Amount per week: £14.00

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.

Session costs are as follows:

Breakfast Club 7.50am - 8.45am - £6.40

ASC half session 3.30-4.45pm - £8.10

ASC full session 3.30-6.00pm - £16.20

Bookings can now be made via Arbor, however if you have any queries please contact

Mrs Jackie McPhail at

email: club@busbridge-junior.surrey.sch.uk

Terms & Conditions are available on our website - [Breakfast & After School Club - Terms and Conditions](#)



**We're taking part
in the Sustrans
Big Walk and Wheel
2025 challenge.**

Join in by walking, wheeling,
scooting or cycling to school
between 24 March-4 April.

- ✓ **Be active and feel more energised**
- ✓ **Help the environment by replacing a car journey**
- ✓ **Help us win some fantastic prizes**

www.BigWalkAndWheel.org.uk

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