



Busbridge CofE Junior School

Newsletter

Autumn Term 2021 No: 3

15th October 2021

Cherish  Challenge

Oct 2021

- Mon 18th Year 4 Swim lessons (PM)
Mon 18th to 6W Level 2 Bikeability from 1.00pm-2.50pm
Thurs 21st (groups 1 & 2)
Tues 19th Year 3 trip to Butser Ancient Farm
Tues 19th Y6 Football Tournament at Tillingbourne (PM)
Wed 20th Parents Evenings 4.00pm-6.30pm
Thurs 21st Skipathon MUGA Fundraiser (AM)
Thurs 21st Parents Evenings 6.00pm-8.30pm
Thurs 21st School breaks up for half-term at 3.30pm
Fri 22nd School Holiday

Half-Term: Friday 22nd October - Friday 29th October

- Sun 31st** Closing date for Secondary School applications for Y6 children for Y7 Sept 2022 entry

Nov 2021

- Mon 1st INSET Day 2**
Mon 1st Primary school online applications open for Reception/Year 3 Sept 2022 entry
Tues 2nd to 6W Level 2 Bikeability from 1.00pm-2.50pm
Fri 5th (groups 3 & 4)
Wed 3rd Mufti Day for donations of sweet treats for Fireworks Night
Wed 3rd Y5/6 Badminton Festival at Broadwater (PM)
Thurs 4th Parent Tour 5 & 6 at 9.15am & at 11.00am
Thurs 4th Friends of BJS Fireworks night ***SOLD OUT***
Fri 5th Class 6E Assembly - parents invite to follow
Mon 8th to 6E Level 2 Bikeability from 1.00pm-2.50pm
Fri 12th (groups 5 & 6) - *details to follow*
Mon 8th Year 4 Swim lessons (PM)
Tues 9th Y6 NCMP at 9.15am with School Nurse team
Tues 9th Y6 Girls Football at Tillingbourne (PM)
Tues 9th Friends of BJS PTA Meeting at 7.30pm
Thurs 11th Remembrance Day
Sat 13th Glebelands Cross Country Event (AM)
Mon 15th to 6E Level 2 Bikeability from 1.00pm-2.50pm
Fri 19th (groups 7 & 8) - *details to follow*
Mon 15th Year 4 Swim lessons (PM)
Wed 17th Y6 trip to Haslemere Museum (*letter to follow*)
Mon 22nd Year 4 Swim lessons (PM)
Mon 29th Year 4 Swim lessons (PM)

DEC 2021

- Wed 1st Flu Immunisations for all year groups

****Please note events planned above may be subject to confirmation/change - please look out for information which will be sent out nearer the time for each one****

AUTUMN TERM 2021

Wednesday 1st September to Friday 17th December 2021
Half term: Friday 22nd October to Friday 29th October 2021

INSET Day 2: Monday 1st November

Please check the school website regularly for more information: www.busbridge-junior.surrey.sch.uk

School Term Calendar Dates

As the end of half-term approaches just a reminder that **school will finish on Thursday 21st October** at the usual time of 3.30pm. As communicated by email (on 1st October), Friday 22nd October is now a school holiday as decreed by Surrey CC (in lieu of the double Platinum Jubilee Bank Holidays next June 2022). **Monday 1st November is now an INSET day** for GLP staff training. We look forward to seeing the children back in school on Tuesday 2nd November.

Staffing News

We are delighted to welcome two new members of staff to our team over the next few weeks - Maggie Ingham and Kara Blackman. Both will be working in our Learning Support team.

Events in school...

It has been lovely to see the return of our trips and events to the school calendar actually taking place!

Year 4 swim lessons - have started on a Monday afternoon at Godalming Leisure Centre. Please note that due to the INSET day on Monday 1st November there will be no lessons that day. We have added an **extra session in on Monday 6th December** to make up for this. Thanks to our parent helpers for their help with the lessons.

Harvest Services - thank you to all the parents/carers who came along and for all the generous donations the children brought in for the Godalming Foodbank. Thank you to the church team of Simon, Anto and Patrick.

DoubleDay - Whilst we had to slightly adapt these days the children enjoyed and learnt a lot from our Healthy Me Double-Day. They particularly enjoyed finding out about food, and cooking the broccoli and cheese cups, although the smell of broccoli was something to behold in the staff room!

Sporting Events - Our programme of sporting events is starting to get underway with hockey, football, badminton and netball tournaments this term. Children taking part will receive a letter home with details.

Last week Miss Warner took a team of Year 4 and two teams of Year 6 children to a hockey festival at Broadwater School. Year 4 made their BJS debut and were just beaten to victory coming in a very respectable 5th place. Year 6 managed to defeat every single one of their opponents, coming in a creditable first and second place! Very well done to all involved - there are some very promising looking hockey careers ahead for all who took part. Thanks also to the parent helpers who assisted with the transport and the coaching.



Glebelands Cross Country - Saturday 13th November (AM)

On Saturday 13th November (AM) the annual local Primary Schools Cross Country event will be held at Glebelands School in Cranleigh which many of our children have taken part in before. There will be 8 separate races: Y3 girls, Y3 boys, Y4 girls, Y4 boys, Y5 girls, Y5 boys, Y6 girls, Y6 boys. The approximate distances are: Year 3&4 700m and Year 5&6 1300m. If your child would like to enter, please sign up on the clubs noticeboard outside the computer room and they will receive a letter with more details or contact our sports co-ordinator Clare Parsons on sport@busbridge-junior.surrey.sch.uk.

School Events coming up...

Class Assemblies: We are so pleased to be able to bring back into school our class assemblies. Class 6W gave the first one today recreating their time on the Windmill Hill residential trip. Thank you to all the parents/carers who came to watch, and to Miss Warner for putting the assembly together - well done to all the children for their enthusiastic performances. The next class assemblies will be as follows (an invite will be emailed nearer the time of each assembly):

Friday 5th November - class 6E Friday 28th January - class 4WT Friday 11th February - class 3MB
Friday 25th March - class 5L Friday 6th May - class 5S Friday 13th May - class 3B Friday 20th May - class 4A

Friends of Busbridge Junior School...

Skipathon MUGA Fundraiser - Thursday 21st October: Next Thursday we are holding our first MUGA fundraiser in school - our Skipathon event. Your child will have come home from school today with a letter talking all about it as well as a form to record sponsors on.

Fireworks Night - Thursday 4th November: Tickets are all sold out for this event. Please note we are having a *mufti day on Wednesday 3rd November* for the donation of 'sweet treats' for the stall at Fireworks night.

Christmas Fayre: this will take place on **Saturday 4th December 12noon - 2pm** and the Friends of BJS are already busy organising. They are looking for stall holders to attend and sell crafts etc - if you know anyone who would like a stall please get in touch. Call for Wreath makers - to continue the tradition of making and selling Christmas wreaths is there anyone crafty who could step into the role and show us how to make them to sell at the Fayre? If you are able to help out with either request for stall holders or wreath makers please contact BJChair@busbridge-junior.surrey.sch.uk.

BJS Sports For All MUGA Project

The project to establish a MUGA (Multi Use Games Area / 'Astro') on our school field is well underway. Have you seen our introductory video on the school website? [Welcome to Busbridge C of E Junior School \(busbridge-junior.surrey.sch.uk\)](http://www.busbridge-junior.surrey.sch.uk) - this webpage also contains a link to our JustGiving page. Thank you to those who have already signed up to support this project via a monthly contribution: a little from many people will go a long way to help us make the MUGA happen.

Teacher Training with the Godalming Learning Partnership (GLP)

Next week you will receive an email from the school re training to be a teacher with our GLP School Direct programme. Find out more about the course and how to apply at: www.getteaching.org.

Covid in school — brief update

The outbreak of Covid in 3BF does seem to have abated. Year 3 will emerge from their Bubble on Wednesday next week. From today we will start informing parents in a year group of each new PCR-confirmed case in their child's year group.

Richard Catchpole - Headteacher

School Meals:

The amount for the next half term 2nd September to 21st October:

Year 3 : £85.75 (taking into Butser Ancient Farm trip)
Year 4 : £88.20
Year 5 : £88.20
Year 6 : £75.95 (taking into account Year 6 Windmill Hill trip)



Amount per day: £2.45 Amount per week: £12.25

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".

Secondary School Applications

Is your child currently in Year 6?

If so, you need to apply online for a secondary school place **by 31st October 2021**. You can find out all you need to know about school admissions in Surrey and applying online at surreycc.gov.uk/admissions or call **0300 200 1004**

Busbridge Breakfast & After-school Care Club

Times and costs 2021/22:

Breakfast Club from 7.50am - 8.45am @ £5.70
After-school club half session 3.30-4.45pm @ £7.20
After-school club full session 3.30-6.00pm @ £14.40

Please contact Mrs Jackie McPhail - 07432 304562
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