



Busbridge CofE Junior School

Newsletter

Spring Term 2023 No: 4

17th March 2023

Cherish  Challenge

Term Dates 2022/23

Spring 2023	
Wed 22nd March	Parents Evening (4.30pm to 6.30pm)
Thurs 23rd March	Parents Evening (6pm to 8.30pm)
Fri 24th March	Class 4S Assembly
Tues 28th March	Easter Church Services
Thurs 30th March	Music Works Concert (Invite Only)
Thurs 30th March	Year 6 SATs Information Evening in 6E
Fri 31st March	Last Day of Term & Easter Fun on the playground
Summer 2023	
Mon 17th Apr	Inset Day
Tues 18th Apr	Children Return to School & PTA Meeting
Mon 24th Apr	School Photos—Groups & Year 6
Wed 26th to Fri 28th April	Y4 Bikeability
Sat 29th April	PTA 90s Disco
Mon 1st May	Bank Holiday—School Closed
Wed 3rd May	Y4 Trip to Wisley
Fri 5th May	Class 3BF Assembly
Mon 8th May	Bank Holiday—School Closed
Mon 15th & Tues 16th May	Year 3 Feet First Training
Tues 16th May	Children's Disco
Fri 19th May	Year 5 Greeks Day (Rainbow Theatre)
Thurs 25th May	Children break up for half term
Fri 26th May	Inset Day



There was much excitement in School last week (and at Sayers Croft!) when we woke up to snow. The children had a brilliant time building snowmen and having mini snowball fights—and I think it is the first time we've ever had snow on a residential! The excitement continued with a host of sporting events, including the Sportshall County Final and Swimming Gala. It's hard to believe there are only two weeks left until the end of the Spring term!

Cake Sale in aid of the earthquake appeal in Turkey and Syria

On Friday 10th March, Miss Syed (mum to Asfiya, 4W) held a cake sale on the playground in aid of the earthquake appeal in Turkey and Syria. An amazing £279.35 was raised! Ioan (4W) then raised another £30 at his rugby club with the leftover cakes, bringing the total to £309.35! Thank you to everyone who donated generously with cakes and home bakes.

Bringing forgotten items to school

Our office staff play an integral role in the day to day running of the school as well being responsible for finance, first aid/ medicines, school wide communication, ordering and many more crucial aspects of school life. To enable us to support them in carrying out their wide range of roles we are going to trial a new system for parents who need to drop off forgotten items for their child during the school day. If your child forgets their coat, water bottle, PE kit, pencil case or other piece of equipment and you wish to deliver it to them in the school day, after Easter you will not need to buzz the gate and speak to the office. Instead, there will be a box placed just inside the gate, but reachable from outside, into which you can deposit your child's forgotten item. This box will be checked by our Year 6 Prefects at break time and again at lunch each day, and any named items will then be delivered to the children's classroom. This new system should (i) promote more independence for children, (ii) still enable forgotten items to be brought in if needed, (iii) ensure that our wonderful office team can focus on the myriad of tasks required of them on a daily basis. We will trial this system in the summer term and see how we get on!

Village Hall Car Park

Just a gentle reminder that we are not able to use the village hall car park for after-school pick-up at 4.30pm. We only have use of the car park from **3pm to 3.45pm**, as after this time it is used by other hall hirers. Please do not park there, even if the car park is empty. Many thanks for your cooperation.

Please note the car park will also not be available for our use on the following dates: **Wednesday 22nd March** – Parents Evening (4pm to 6.30pm). **Thursday 23rd March** – Parents Evening (6pm to 8.30pm). **Friday 24th March** – Closed for pick-up (3.30pm). **Thursday 30th March** – Music Works Concert (9.30am).

Class Assemblies

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

Friday 24th March—**Class 4S**

Friday 5th May—**Class 3BF**

Friday 9th June—**Class 5S**

Friday 30th June —**Class 6W (*new date)**

Sayers Croft

On Monday 6th March, the year 4's loaded their many bags on to a coach and set off for Sayer's Croft. The children's excitement and enthusiasm was visible from the off and they carried this into every activity they participated in. The children climbed high on the gladiator challenge and the boulders, they showed great communication skills in the orienteering and the maze and they were patient and showed great skill in the pond dipping. They worked together as a team to create beautiful nature art and showed admirable resilience to build shelters to protect themselves from the slightly surprising weather we had! The children (and adults) had a wonderful time and I am sure that their trip to Sayer's Croft will be something that they will talk about for many years to come.



Rosie's Slime - Children's Business Fair

Rosie's Slime will be in Guildford as part of the Children's Business Fair on **Saturday (25th March)** from **9.30am-2pm**. There will be over 50 stalls selling wonderful creations on **Guildford High Street**. Rosie will be selling her range of Handmade Slime Pots and Slime Kits – wonderful gifts and pocket money treats, starting from £3. Come and visit Rosie, she'd love to see you!...and stock up on gifts and treats with the amazing products on offer throughout the fair.

Justice Assembly theme

Over the last couple of weeks we have been thinking about justice in the world, both near and far. For example we have been reflecting on the saying "Life isn't fair, but you can be". We have also challenged the children to think about active ways they can be fair and make the world a fairer place.

Justice, by Caitlin (5GT)

Some things in our world are simply not fair,
Whilst some people sleep on streets,
Whilst many people attack,
Whilst prices are ascending,

People throwing away money without a care,
And are cold for most of their weeks,
Some just kick back and relax,
For some, stress levels are descending

Sports Round-Up - In the next newsletter, we will be covering all our recent sporting events. We have many amazing updates to share!

Richard Catchpole - Headteacher

School Meals:

The amount for the next half term 20th February 2023 to 31st March 2023.

Year 3 : £78.00

Year 4 : £70.20

Year 5 : £75.40

Year 6 : £78.00

Amount per day: £2.60 Amount per week: £13.00

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.** We prefer you to pay through Arbor but if you wish to pay for school meals by cheque these should be payable to "Surrey County Council".



Busbridge Breakfast & After-school Club (ASC)

Spaces are available in the Breakfast & After-School Club from September 2022. Please contact the Club Manager, Jackie McPhail, to book.
Session costs are as follows:

Breakfast Club 7.50am - 8.45am - £5.80

ASC half session 3.30-4.45pm - £7.35

ASC full session 3.30-6.00pm - £14.65

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 \(busbridge-junior.surrey.sch.uk\)](http://www.busbridge-junior.surrey.sch.uk) .