



Busbridge CofE Junior School

Newsletter

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Autumn Term 2024 No: 2

20th September 2024

Term Dates 2024/25

Autumn 2024	
Mon 23d Sept	Year 6 Residential to Windmill Hill
Thurs 26th Sept	Anxiety in Children - Parental Workshop, 6.30pm
Tues 1st Oct	PTA AGM and Annual Planning Meeting
Wed 2nd Oct	Harvest Festivals—9.15am Lower School & 10am Upper School
Mon 7th Oct	Year 6 Level 2 Bikeability starts
Sat 12th Oct	PTA Adults Disco
Tues 15th Oct	PAPAYA Workshop, 7.30pm Year 3 Trip to Butser Farm
Thurs 17th Oct	Flu Vaccinations—all years
Fri 18th Oct	Class 6S Assembly
Tues 22nd Oct	Parents Evening—4pm to 6.30pm
Thurs 24th Oct	Parents Evening—6pm to 8.30pm
Fri 25th Oct	Inset Day
28th Oct - Fri 1st Nov	Half Term
Tues 5th & Wed 6th Nov	DoubleDay
Thurs 7th Nov	Year 5 Trip to Preston Manor
Fri 8th Nov	PTA Fireworks—6pm to 8pm
Wed 13th Nov	Year 6 Trip to Haslemere Museum Church Remembrance Services - 9.15am Y3 & 4S, 10am Y5 and 4LT
Fri 15th Nov	Class 6W Assembly
Fri 29th Nov	Class 5E Assembly
Tues 17th Dec	Christmas Play - Lower School 9.15am & Upper School 1.45pm
Wed 18th Dec	Christmas Church Services
Thurs 19th Dec	Christmas Play - Upper School 9.15am & Lower School 1.45pm
Fri 20th Dec	End of Term—1.30pm

AUTUMN

The Autumn term is well and truly underway now and there has been a great buzz in school and on the playground. It was lovely to see so many of you at our Curriculum Evenings last week, we hope you found them

useful and informative. All the presentations will be available on our school website next week. Our school photographer (Imago) was also on site last week to capture individual and sibling photos. The morning went brilliantly, with the photographers commenting on how lovely our children are here! We are very proud of them all. Next week, our Year 6 children will be off on their week long residential to Windmill Hill. We will miss them in school, but it is always such a brilliant week for them, with lots of fun activities. We hope they have a great time!

Parking at Drop Off and Pick Up Times

Please can we remind everyone that **cars should not stop, or be left on the school roundabout at drop off and pick up times**. We understand that you may only stop there for a short amount of time, however it very quickly causes a backlog of cars to build up not only by the school gates, but also on Brighton Road. **Cars should also not park on Heath Lane, as this is a private road and restricts access for the residents who live there**. Parents/Carers can park in the village hall car park (during the designated times) or we ask that you park considerably away from school and walk across. Please help us to keep everyone safe, our neighbours happy and the traffic flowing!

Are You Looking for a Baby Grand Piano?

We have been approached by a local resident who is looking to rehome their Yamaha baby grand piano to a passionate instrument lover. If you are interested in giving it a loving home, then please contact the school office and we will put you both in touch.

Second-hand School Uniform

If your child would benefit from some PTA pre-loved school uniform, but money is a bit tight just now, please speak to Mr Catchpole or Mrs Barker and we can help out.

Music Works Assembly

Last week the children (and staff!) were treated to an amazing assembly by The Music Works teaching staff. A mixture of classic and modern songs were performed, from artists such as The Killers to Taylor Swift! The children had a brilliant time, joining in with the band by clapping, stomping, singing and dancing! If your child would like to start lessons with The Music Works, then please visit <https://www.themusicworks.uk/free-music-lesson> to book a free trial.



House Captains and Vice Captains

This week saw the election of our House and Vice Captains. The children in Year 6 did themselves proud, presenting short speeches to the children in their House. Year 6 children also completed written application forms for this role, as well as the Prefect and Librarian roles. This years House Captains and Vice Captains are as follows:

Munstead - House Captains - Jacob C, Tommy D, Mable C, Violet J

Tuesley - House Captains - Jessica D, Max S, Emi H, Matthew W

Holloway - House Captains - Ioan W, Dylan M, India D, Xanthe W

Busbridge - House Captains - Alex D, Ernest B, Tabby H, Darcey H

Prefects

Amelie S - Jude W - Emily D - Matius D - Dylan W - Viana A - Bea B - Phoebe S - Pippa W - Martha G
Jonty G - Olivia F - Evelyn S - Ben P - Lorenzo BB - Teddy F - Freya Rose P - Asfyia J - Oscar W

Sophia C - Oliver O'G - Thomas Y - Heidi Rose R - Tristan T - Lucas N

Librarians

Libby G - Mia G - Laura M - Poppy C - Anna S - Henry W - Harriet M - Lily M - Torben M - Abi S

Max A - Zac A

Save the Date! Cross Country - at Glebelands School, Cranleigh!

There will be a cross-country competition taking place on Saturday 16th November at Glebelands School in Cranleigh. This event is open to anyone wanting to take part and numbers are usually unlimited. Further details will be sent out as soon as we have them, but do pencil the date into your diaries if the event is of interest to you.

Anxiety in Children Workshop

REMINDER - Thursday 26th September at 6.30pm in the school hall. Anxiety in Primary Aged Children workshop. Helping parents:

- To gain understanding and knowledge of how our body works when we are anxious and why we have these bodily reactions.
- To understand what normal anxiety is.
- To gain knowledge and understanding of how children can present when anxious.
- To explore how anxiety can be managed by exploring some helpful suggestions and strategies.
- To know where to go and get help further if needed.

If you are planning to attend the meeting, please complete the MS form in the link below so that we know how many parents to expect and so that we can also send you resources following the presentation.

<https://forms.office.com/e/d3uzprZ5Uf>

Class Assemblies

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

Friday 18th October — Class 6S	Friday 15th November — Class 6W	Friday 29th November — Class 5E
Friday 31st January — Class 5W	Friday 14th February — Class 3B	Friday 28th March — Class 4LT
Friday 2nd May — Class 4S	Friday 16th May — 3BF	

PTA Update

Tickets are now available on Classlist for the eagerly awaited **Adults Disco on Saturday 12th October!** We hope to see lots of you there for what promises to be a great night. We will also be holding our annual **PTA Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 1st October at 7.30pm** in the school hall. Do come along and be part of shaping the year ahead. There might even be nibbles.

Pupil Internet Usage Agreement on school site

With this newsletter we have shared with you our new pupil on-site internet usage agreement. It also includes guidelines for parents re pupils using the internet for school-based work at home. It will be discussed in class, but some aspects also relate to school-based internet usage at home.

Importantly it asks children to not use (smart) phones at school during school weekend / evening events. Recently we have had instances of children accessing / sharing / showing to others inappropriate content when on school site during school events (e.g. PTA events). Thank you for your support with this.

Safeguarding / Child Protection Policy

Our Safeguarding / Child Protection Policy 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). 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 Mr M Hanak-Hammerl are our Safeguarding Governors.

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 SuperStars board. Our latest Superstars are:

- ◆ Reuben F (5W) - For swimming one mile, non stop! What an achievement!
- ◆ Stanley W (5W) - For teaching himself to touch type over the Summer holidays! Stanley achieved a bronze award - Wahoo!
- ◆ Freddy K (4S) - For raising £134 for Barnardo's Charity by making and selling crab apple jelly with his brother! Top job.

Richard Catchpole - Headteacher

School Meals:

The amount for the next half term - Wednesday 4th September to Thursday 24th October 2024:

Year 3 : £100.80

Year 4 : £103.60

Year 5 : £103.60

Year 6 : £89.60

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