



Busbridge CofE Junior School

Newsletter

Summer Term 2023 No: 2

17th May 2023

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Term Dates 2022/23

Summer 2023	
Thurs 18th & Fri 19th May	DoubleDay—Coronation
Wed 24th May	Year 5 Greeks Day (rearranged)
Thurs 25th May	Children break up for half term
Fri 26th May	Inset Day
Mon 29th to Fri 2nd June	Half Term Week
Fri 9th June	Class 5S Assembly
Mon 12th June	Pet Day!
Wed 14th June	Year 6 Cathedral Service
Sat 17th June	PTA Family Cycle Ride (Bramley to Cranleigh) 1pm
Fri 23rd June	Sports Day (Years 3 & 4 - 9.30am to 12.00pm / Years 5 & 6 - 1.00pm to 3.30pm)
Tues 27th / Wed 28th / Thurs 29th June	Secondary School Induction Days (Y6)
Fri 30th June	6W Class Assembly
Wed 5th July	Whole School Beach Trip!
Fri 7th July	Summer BBQ
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
Fri 21st July	End of Summer Term—1.30pm Year 6 Leavers Assembly

SUMMER

It has been a busy two weeks since our last newsletter, with Year 6 SATs, coronation celebrations, class trips and of course, Star Wars Day. Looking ahead, we have even more planned, with our upcoming Coronation DoubleDay and Year 5 Greeks Day. It will be half term before we know it!

Y6 SATs Week

Well done to all our Year 6's who took their SAT exams this week. We are so impressed with how hard everyone worked. What a fab year group!

Star Wars Day

The school went intergalactic on May the Fourth with the children (and staff!) dressing up in character and battling with lightsabres! Everyone had a brilliant day and we are already looking forward to doing it all again next year.

Coronation Tea Party

Star Wars Day was swiftly followed by our Coronation Tea Party on Friday 5th May! The children enjoyed a cream tea (with scones made by their own hands), took part in a number of class activities, including Royal Charades and played games on the field! A huge thank you to Miss Luff, Mrs Luff and Mrs Ingham for helping the children to make 100's of delicious scones for the event. It was a royal afternoon to remember.

Godalming Community Store

Donations for the Godalming Community Store were critically low last week across Godalming. Please remember that we have a drop off box just outside the school office and any donations are welcome. Items urgently needed are: ketchup, plain microwave rice, kids toothpaste, men's toiletries, hot chocolate, kitchen roll, curry cooking sauce, gluten free snacks, cereal bars and hair conditioner.

Parking at School Drop-Off and Pick-Up

Just a gentle reminder to please park considerately during drop off and pick up. We would be grateful if you could not block the staff gates at any time and only use the village hall car park when permitted. **We have use of the car park from 8.30am to 9.15am and from 3pm to 3.45pm.** Please refrain from using the car park when picking up at 4.30pm from after school clubs. The safety of all children is our shared responsibility and the #1 priority, so drive carefully, slowly and show respect to all.

Coronation DoubleDay - Thursday 18th and Friday 19th May

It's tomorrow! Children can wear non-uniform along a King/Queen/Prince/Princess or Red/White/Blue theme on both days. They will be in mixed up classes, so learning with a new set of BJS friends. It promises to be a wonderful two days.

Class Assemblies

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

Friday 9th June—**Class 5S**

Friday 30th June —**Class 6W**

Year 4 Trip to Wisley

On Wednesday 3rd May, the Year 4's visited RHS Wisley. As they are exploring the jungle art of Henri Rousseau in Art and researching habitats in Science, this was a brilliant opportunity for them to have some 'hands-on' experiences. All the children observed the tropical plants in the world-famous Glasshouse and carefully sketched their interpretations into their sketch books. They were lucky to find pond skaters, dragonfly larvae, Water boatmen and two types of snails in their pond dipping experience. The children also, very carefully, searched under logs and found that the habitat was perfectly suited to woodlice, worms, stag beetles and even a couple of newts! The children had a brilliant day and I am sure that they will remember the trip for a long time to come.



Friends of Busbridge Update!

The Return of Ice Cream Fridays! The past weeks have been a big success for Ice Cream Fridays! This year, you can pay in advance to cover your child for all this term's ice-cream Fridays (£8), then there's no need to remember to bring cash on the day – see Classlist for further details. Alternatively, please bring the correct change if possible each week.

URGENT : New PTA Chair wanted — From September we are in need of a new PTA Chair. Sarah Speirs, our current Chair, is standing down as her BJS child moves on to secondary school in September. We have not yet been able to find a parent to take on the Chair role, so please have a think as to whether now is your time to take on this essential role. Do speak to Sarah or anyone on the PTA committee to find out more.

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!

Current Vacancy - Learning support Assistant

We are currently recruiting for a new LSA to join our friendly team at BJS from September. If you are interested in finding out more, please visit our website - www.busbridge-junior.surrey.sch.uk/web/vacancies_1/267423. Closing date 22.05.23.

Richard Catchpole - Headteacher

School Meals:

The amount for the next half term Tuesday 18th April to Thursday 25th May 2023:

Year 3 : £70.20

Year 4 : £67.50

Year 5 : £70.20

Year 6 : £70.20

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