



# Busbridge CofE Junior School

## Newsletter

Autumn Term 2021 No: 4

23rd November 2021

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### NOV 2021

- Wed 24th Year 5 Victorian day trip to Rural Life Living Museum  
Fri 26th Mufti Day for Christmas Fair - Luxury Hamper Raffle donations  
Mon 29th Year 4 Swimming lessons (PM)  
Tues 30th Y4/Y6 Benchball tournament at Broadwater School (PM)

### DEC 2021

- Wed 1st Flu Immunisations for all year groups (AM)  
Thurs 2nd Mufti Day for Christmas Fair - Bottle & Jar Tombola donations  
Fri 3rd Mufti Day for Christmas Fair - sweets & cakes donations  
Sat 4th Friends of BJS Christmas Fayre 12 noon to 3pm  
Mon 6th Last Year 4 Swimming lessons (PM)  
Mon 6th Dress Rehearsals for Christmas Assemblies  
Tues 7th Christmas Show Performances:  
9.30am: Lower School for Y3 parents only  
11.00am: Upper School for Y5 parents only  
Wed 8th Christmas Show Performances:  
9.30am: Lower School for Y4 parents only  
11.00am: Upper School for Y6 parents only  
Thurs 9th Parent Tour 7 for 2022/23 Y3 intake 9.15am  
Fri 10th Children's Christmas Secret Shopping Event  
Mon 13th Prime Time Carol Service at Busbridge Church at 2.30pm  
Tues 14th Christmas Church Services at Busbridge Church: 9.15am Lower school/10am Upper school - *parents/carers & family welcome to join us*  
Wed 15th School Christmas Lunch (info to follow)  
Fri 17th Wishing Service in school (AM)  
School breaks up for Christmas (time tbc)

### JAN 2022

- Tues 4th **INSET day 3**  
Wed 5th Children return to school for Spring term  
Sat 15th Deadline for Reception/Primary (Year 3) school applications for Sept 2022 entry

**\*\*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

#### SPRING TERM 2022

Tuesday 4th January to Friday 1st April 2022  
Half Term: Monday 14th to Friday 18th February 2022  
INSET Day: Tuesday 4th January 2022

Please check the school website regularly for more information: [www.busbridge-junior.surrey.sch.uk](http://www.busbridge-junior.surrey.sch.uk)

### Staffing News

We are delighted to welcome two new members of staff to our team - Maggie Ingham and Kara Blackman. Both will be working in our Learning Support team. We will sadly be saying goodbye to one of our LSA team in a couple of weeks - Mary Ellis-Cope is moving on to take up a new role. We will miss her but wish her all the best in her new job. We have an LSA vacancy so if you or anyone you know may be interested the details are on the eteach and our school website: [https://www.busbridge-junior.surrey.sch.uk/web/vacancies\\_1/267423](https://www.busbridge-junior.surrey.sch.uk/web/vacancies_1/267423).

### Events in school...

Since our last newsletter we have had quite a few events in school as well as trips out:

**Parents Evenings** - it was good to be able to have face to face parents' evening appointments in school once again before half term, and for parents/carers to be able to see their children's work in person. The next parents evenings will be in the Spring term.

**Parent Tours** - we have had a bumper round of tours for prospective parents looking to apply for school places for September 2022. Our year 6 prefects carried out a fantastic job showing them around and being ambassadors for BJS.

**Year 3 Butser Farm trip** - just before the half-term break Year 3 set off for a day at Butser Ancient Farm to step back in time to learn about Roman and Stone Age times.

**Year 6** - have had a busy time over the past few weeks. Both classes re-enacted their residential trip to Windmill Hill in their Class Assemblies. Thanks to all the parents/carers for coming to watch them. The children have been taking part in the Level 2 Bikeability cycle training out and about on the local roads. Well done to them all and for earning their badges and certificates. Last week year 6 visited Haslemere Museum as part of their Egyptian topic.

**Police Visits** - thanks to PCSOs Kim and James, and PCO David who have been into school a couple of times this term to say hello and meet the children over lunchtime putting a friendly face on policing.

**Hedgehog Day** - on Thursday 11th Graham from the hedgehog rescue charity came into school with some very special spiky visitors. Here is an excellent resume from Alex in Year 3:

*'Year 3 & 4 had a visit of the hedgehogs!!! The hedgehogs names were Henry and Harry, they were naughty. They could live up to 7 years old. It was fun and all the 120 people in year 3 and 4 loved it!!!!!! We raised £111.85 for the hedgehog rescue charity by the chocolate crispies we made and sold after school'. Thank you to everyone who supported the cake sale and our amazing school staff for helping the children create them.*



## Other Events Round-Up:

### Poppy Collection & One Minute Silence



Also on Thursday 11th November we joined with the rest of the country in commemorating Remembrance Day with a one minute silence. In our whole school assembly we reflected on those who have served our nation, as well how we can help peace to grow in the world around us. Thank you to our school council team who helped sell poppies in school, and to everyone who supported the British Legion through purchasing a poppy: we raised £91.46.

### Munstead House Event

On Friday 12th November we saw the first house event of the academic year. Rather than raising money Munstead house captains were set the challenge of raising awareness of a very important cause. On Friday morning the whole school had an assembly, planned and delivered by the house captains, about the Surrey Crisp Packet Project. This is a charity who turn empty crisp packets into blankets for the homeless. Thanks to the event, we have collected over 300 crisp packets so far and have also got the children thinking about how we can help those who are less fortunate than ourselves. We will continue to collect crisp packets and a collection box can be found in the school entrance. Thank you to the Munstead House Captains and Vice-Captains for planning and running such a successful day of events, and to the children and parents who donated crisp packets.



### Ambassadors:

Congratulations to last half-term's ambassadors who received their Ambassador Awards as follows:

**Class 3BF:** Pippa Watkins & Thomas Lucas

**Class 3MB:** Olivia Faulkner & Dylan Maynard

**Class 4A:** Edward Lister & Arabelle Williams

**Class 4WT:** Sophie Glennon & Jenson Vasey

**Class 5L:** Ben Connor & Isabella Dodd

**Class 5S:** Lucas Arter & Lily Beamer

**Class 6E:** Thomas Morris & Bella Kennedy

**Class 6W:** Gracy Kayes-Thorpe & Leo Ramelli

### Food Hygiene Inspection

Last half-term Waverley Borough Council's Environmental Health Officer visited our school kitchen as part of the Food Safety Visits they conduct. We are delighted to inform you that our kitchen received the top rating. This means no action is required by either Twelve15 or the school and that our catering service and premises have been awarded a Food Hygiene Rating of 5 which is defined as **Very Good**. This reflects the hard work of Jenny and her team for which we highly commend them. Last week we said goodbye to Tracey in the kitchen who has relocated to Wales. Please find attached with this newsletter the latest bulletin from Twelve15 about how they are tackling the food supply chain disruption.

### Sport Round-Up:

Our sporting calendar has continued with our children taking part in football tournaments and a badminton festival:

**Football:** Our Year 6 boys and girls have both participated in an inter-schools tournament at Tillingbourne School. Before half-term Mr Evans and the boys team enjoyed a fantastic afternoon's football returning all conquering heroes. All the boys played fabulously well and in a great spirit. Having gone undefeated in the league section of the competition, BJS then saw off St.Mary's one goal to nil in a tight semi-final and local rivals Chandler in an even tighter final! A fine goal by Alfie Lambert sealed the deal but all the children were amazing. Well done to Lucas, Nat, Alex, Arthur, Tom, Thomas, Mikey, Ethan, Gracy and Ollie and a very proud Mr Evans!



**Football (Girls tournament):** Earlier in November our Y6 Girls Football team participated in an inter-school tournament at Tillingbourne School. The turn out was wonderful: 13 teams in total. The girls played superbly, growing in skill, confidence and team-work as the tournament progressed. The team topped their group being unbeaten, and then progressed to the semi-final. In that match they showed an indomitable attitude, narrowly losing to St Edmunds. A huge well done to all the girls who took part, and the parents who helped cheer them on. The squad was: Scarlett, Chloe, Elsa, Gracy KT, Daisy-Mei, Ella B, Lucie, Bea, Tillie and Izzy W.

**Badminton Festival:** At the beginning of this half-term we took twelve children along to a Badminton festival at Broadwater school. In two teams of 6 the children worked their way around a carousel of badminton skill-based activities to collect points for their team finishing in 2nd and 5th places overall. It was great to see the children grow in confidence and show huge improvement throughout the afternoon. Well done to the brilliant Busbridge badminton squad!



As always a big thank you to all the parents and carers who have helped and supported in any way with all of these sporting and educational trips - we really do appreciate it!

