

# Bushey Heath Primary School

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A vibrant school inspiring children to realise their potential

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Dear Parents / Carers

The school has been graded 'Outstanding' in all areas at the JARV (Joint Annual Review). This is a testament to the talent, dedication and commitment of all those involved in the Bushey Heath School community.

Whether you are a pupil, a member of staff, a Class Rep, School Governor, a Friend of the School, or a parent or carer, you are an integral part of what makes this school a success and your support ensures we continue to provide the quality of education that the children deserve.

The children were a testament to your parenting and an absolute credit to the school. The below quote from the JARV report summarises the behaviour of our children: ***"There was much evidence of excellent behaviour for learning. This was clear throughout the school ... There was no evidence at the visit of any behaviour that was less than exemplary. Pupils are polite, well-mannered, conscientious, self-assured children who thrive at the school."***

Well done everyone!

## GOODBYE MRS READING

On a slightly sadder note, we will be saying goodbye to Mrs Reading this half term, however, we are delighted that she will be relocating to spend more time with her granddaughter. Mrs Reading has been a valued member of staff for over 19 years. Her hard work and dedication to the job has ensured generations of nursery children have received a wonderful education. I know you will join me in thanking Mrs Reading and wishing her well.

## PUPIL WELLBEING

**Mini-Police:** Year 5 have been taking part in a Hertfordshire initiative called the 'Mini-Police Project'. Each week, local police officers visit to work with the children on topics such as anti-social behaviour and road safety. They are very excited about learning some drill next week and experiencing the 'beep fitness test' that all police officers have to pass. We will be working with them on a Bushey Heath community project and have thoroughly enjoyed finding out what an important role the police and PCSOs play in our local area.

**Little Troopers:** Our group of Little Troopers started in September for children who have a parent deployed. So far we have created letter boxes, photo albums, baked cookies and are about to start welcome-home banners. This club will soon expand to include all children of military families.

**Illness:** A pupil who does not seem well enough to attend class lessons should not be sent to school. If a child has diarrhoea and/or sickness, please keep them away from school until they have been clear for **48 hours**. Such pupils will not benefit from being at school and they may be spreading infection. However, sickness may not always be linked to an infection so please feel free to discuss individual cases with the office if you feel your child is able to return to school after 24 hours.

Please, **please** will the parents/carers that park on the pavements in front of the school, stop. Your actions are putting the children of the school at risk. It is not acceptable that parents with pushchairs or wheelchairs are forced into the road as pavements are blocked, nor is it acceptable to park where children are trying to enter the school. Please park away from the school and walk.

**Pedestrian Entrance:** Continuing the subject of road safety, there is a pedestrian entrance gate by the Nursery, the first single gate on the left. I encourage you to use this entrance when visiting the school office, as you will not have to walk through the staff carpark.

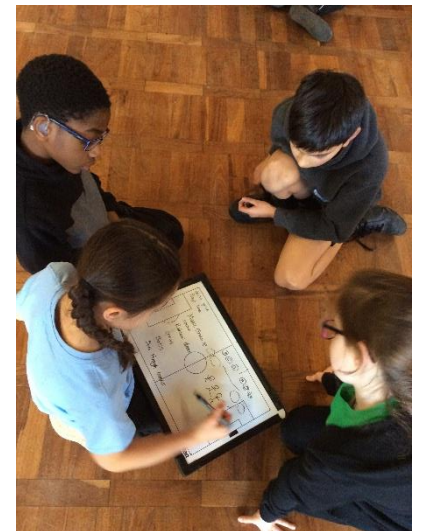


## SPORTS

Our sporting provision goes from strength to strength, focusing on developing healthy lifestyles as well as football skills. We are lucky enough to have Harrow Rugby club in to train our upper key stage pupils and run an afterschool club. Along with our netball and running club and 'Walk to the Moon Challenge' the school is ensuring all children are actively engaged in healthy lifestyles.

**Netball:** With the cold season coming to an end (fingers crossed), after school training will commence and allow us to prepare for our first 2 matches arranged against Hartsbourne and Ashfield Primary school. Watch this space for our new netball kit!

**Move&Learn:** Year 4 & 5 have been extremely lucky to have had some of the "Move&Learn" team from Watford FC coming in to work with them each week this term. The sessions focus on healthy living and how our bodies work, followed by a fun, practical fitness session. From football to handball and dodgeball they have all really enjoyed learning lots of new skills and taking part in some competitive team games.



## CLASS REPRESENTATIVES MEETING

Following Class Rep feedback, we will be changing the 'Open Class' from Thursday to Monday from 25 February. You will be welcome to come in and have a look at your child's books and displays every Monday. Hopefully, by moving the afternoon we can open the 'Open Class' to more parents.

Also, following feedback, we will be running Nursery Parents Evening meetings along with all the other year groups.

As promised to the Class Reps, please find below photographs of a typical school meal.



## BUSHEY HEATH PRIMARY SCHOOL - DIARY DATES

Please remember to check our website for additions to the School Calendar

### Spring 2019

Date	Summary
12 February at 13:15	Year 1 trip to St Peters Church
<b>18 - 22 February</b>	<b>Half Term</b>
25 - 28 February	Book Fair
25 February at 15:30	Netball Match at Ashfield School
4 March at 15:30	Netball Match at Hartsbourne School
12 March	Nursery Learning Journals 11:30 & 14:45
15 March	Year 3A & 3G College Lake Education Centre Trip
15 March at 14:30	Crime Prevention Initiative 14:30-16:00 (1)
19 March at 14:30	Crime Prevention Initiative 14:30-16:00 (2)
21 March at 19:00	GB Meeting 19:00 (1)
28 March at 16:30	Parent Consultations 16:30-19:00
1 April	Year 3A & 3G Sharing Assembly 14:30
2 April at 15:30	Parent Consultations 15:30-18:00
<b>5 April</b>	<b>Spring 2019 Term ends</b>

### Summer 2019

Date	Summary
22 April	South West Herts Schools Consortium Online Registration opens
<b>23 April</b>	<b>Summer 2019 Term begins</b>
23 April	Year 4 Swimming Lessons 1
30 April	Year 4 Swimming Lessons 2
7 May	Year 4 Swimming Lessons 3
13 - 16 May	SATs Week
14 May	Year 3A & 3G Hatfield House Trip
14 May	Year 4 Swimming Lessons 4
15 May	Year 4 Bentley Priory Museum Trip
16 May at 19:00	GB Meeting 19:00
20 - 24 May	Year 6 Boreatton Park Trip 2019
21 May	Year 4 Swimming Lessons 5
<b>27 - 31 May</b>	<b>Half Term</b>
<b>3 June</b>	<b>Inset Day</b>
4 June	Year 4 Swimming Lessons 6
4 June at 14:30	Reception Learning Journals 14.30
10 - 14 June	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check Week
11 June	Year 4 Swimming Lessons 7
12 June	Early Years Sports Day
13 June	Class Photographs
18 June	Year 4 Swimming Lessons 8
20 June at 19:00	GB Meeting 19:00 (1)
21 June	South West Herts Schools Consortium Online Registration closes
21 June	KS1 Sports Day
24 - 26 June	Year 5 Hayling Island Trip 2019
25 June	Nursery Learning Journals 11:30 & 14:45 (1)
25 June	Year 4 Swimming Lessons 9
28 June	KS2 Sports Day
2 July	Year 4 Swimming Lessons 10
4 July	International Day
4 July at 16:00	Open Evening 16:00
9 July	Year 4 Swimming Lessons 11
10 July at 14:00	Year 6 Play 14:00
11 July	School Transfer Day
11 July at 18:00	Year 6 Play 18:00
16 July	Year 4 Swimming Lessons 12
17 July at 14:00	Year 6 Leaver Assembly 14:00
19 July	Summer 2019 Term ends
<b>22 July</b>	<b>Inset Day (1)</b>
<b>23 July</b>	<b>Inset Day (2)</b>
<b>24 July</b>	<b>Occasional Day</b>

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### Autumn 2019

#### Date

7 September  
9 September  
13 September  
17 September  
23 September  
13 November

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South West Herts Schools Consortium Academic Test  
South West Herts Schools Consortium Music Aptitude Test  
South West Herts Schools Consortium Queens' School Sports Aptitude Test (TBC)  
South West Herts Schools Consortium Queens' School Sports Aptitude Test (TBC) (1)  
South West Herts Schools Consortium start of second round music tests  
Individual Photographs

### Summer 2020

#### Date

11 - 14 May  
8 - 12 June

#### Summary

SATs Week  
Year 1 Phonics Screening Check Week

### Summer 2021

#### Date

10 - 13 May  
7 - 11 June

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SATs Week  
Year 1 Phonics Screening Check Week