

# BUSHEY HEATH PRIMARY SCHOOL



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## NEWSLETTER September 2013

### Dear Parents

Welcome back everyone, I hope you all had a great Summer and enjoyed the break. We have had a good Summer and the weather has been very kind. I would like to welcome Mr O Minton Year 5, Miss J Martin Year 3 and Mrs D Lavelle Yr5 and 6 as teachers to the school as well as Mrs S Walker a Teaching Assistant in Years R,1 and 2.

Can I remind parents that they need to take home scooters when they drop their children off at the start of the day. When you pick your children up at the end of the day can you also make sure that siblings do not play on the apparatus or run down the bank while you are waiting.

As always please avoid taking your child out of school for holidays. Attendance has a great impact on progress and your child's learning.

Harvest Festival takes place on September 25 at 11.00 and parents from Years 5 and 6 are invited to join us. Once again we are supporting New Hope Trust which helps homeless people in the Watford area. More details will be provided nearer the time.

### Merit Awards

These are awarded to pupils who have made exception efforts over a period of time. They were presented to the children at the end of the Summer Term. Congratulations to all of them.

Saskia Rabin	Zoe Antunes	Mashrur Choudhury	Taylor Dowden	
Sophie Abderrakib	Toby Anthony	Christina Bodnar	Katie Hilton	Josh Laikin
Mark Antunes	Abbie Marin	Bella Parker	Zachary Rabin	Molly Wray
Aaryan Sheth	Andrew Norris	Callum Hart	Danny Lawrence	
Jacob Simons	Maddison Helyer	Poppy Ainslie	Jack Lamb	Nicol Taylor
Rhys Harvey	Ashleigh Durham	Evie Kaufman	Dhruv Patel	Finlay Housham

### Secondary Transfer

Closing date for applications to secondary schools for 2014-15 is 31 October 2013. Please make sure you apply before this time. Late applications are not dealt with until all on-time applications have been considered and therefore you are much less likely to be offered a place at one of your preferred schools if you apply late. Please use the online application system which is available at [www.hertsdirect.org/admissions](http://www.hertsdirect.org/admissions)

The South West Herts Consortium test takes place on Saturday 7 September and all applicants should have received a letter or email allocating them the test centre and time of the test.

### Dinner Monies

From September Cheque payments for school dinners will be to **Hertfordshire Catering Ltd.**

## **Diary Dates 2013**

4 September	First day of the Autumn Term and New School Year
6 September	Year 6 Meet the Teacher 8.45 to 9.15
9 September	Year 1 Meet the Teacher 8.45 to 9.15 Year 2 Meet the Teacher 2.45 to 3.15
10 September	Year 3 Meet the Teacher 8.45 to 9.15 Year 4 Meet the Teacher 2.45 to 3.15
11 September	Year N Meet the Teacher 8.55 to 9.20
12 September	Year 5 Meet the Teacher 8.45 to 9.15
19 September	Governing Body SIC meeting 8.15 am
20 September	Governing Body Finance meeting 8.15am Assembly New Hope Trust
25 September	Harvest Governors Meeting 7.00pm
30 September	NSPCC assembly 1.20 – Infants 1.40 – Juniors
3 October	9.30 The B word – Bullying Yr2 – Yr6 (1hour)
7 October	NSPCC challenge week
14 October	Anti- Bullying week
15 October	NSPCC collection
21 October	NSPCC assembly 1.20
23 October	Consultation Evening
28 October – 1 November	Half Term
4 November	Assessment week Nursery Consultations 12.00 – 2.30
5 November	Nursery Consultations 12.00 – 2.30
7 November	Individual School Photos
9 December	N/R Christmas play rehearsal 10.30
10 December	N/R Christmas play to parents 10.30
11 December	Yr 1/2 Christmas Play rehearsal 10.15
12 December	Yr 1/2 Christmas play to parents 2.00pm
16 December	Pantomime Juniors
19 December	Christmas Lunch
20 December	Last day of term – 2.00pm close

## **Dates for School Term and Holiday dates 2013/14**

### **Autumn Term 2013**

To begin Wednesday 4 September

To end Friday 20 December

Half Term Monday 28 October to Friday 1 November

### **Spring Term 2014**

To begin Wednesday 8 January

To end Friday 4 April

Half Term Monday 17 to Friday 21 February

### **Summer Term 2014**

To start Tuesday 23 April

To end Wednesday 23 July

Half Term Friday 23 May to Monday 2 June

(Please note school closed Monday 2 June start back to school on Tuesday 3 June)

May Day Monday 5 May

### **Autumn Term 2014 (provisional)**

To begin Wednesday 3 September

To end Friday 19 December

Half Term Monday 27 October to Friday 31 October