

Bushey Heath Primary School

Newsletter: June 2021



Respect, Encourage and Achieve

A vibrant school inspiring children to realise their potential

Dear Parents & Carers

Summer Fair

I am delighted that we can go ahead with the Summer Fair on 3 July - with some slight alterations - as we are keen to raise funds to purchase equipment which will improve our music and technical provision.

Mr Hirons, who is working hard to ensure that all our children leave school able to play a tuned instrument, will be teaching the children how to use music editing software so they can learn how to play, create and produce their own music. To do this we need to upgrade the iPads, something that will also help our budding photographers and film makers. The money raised by the Summer Fair will go a long way in helping with this aim.

A big thank you in advance to all those who have helped organise the fair and to parents and carers who contribute financially towards our fund-raising efforts.

Sports Day

We are disappointed that our sports day will not now go ahead in the summer term as planned. It will instead be moved to the autumn term - by which point lockdown restrictions should be lifted and the practicalities of running a sports day will be simplified. I apologise to our Year 6 but please be reassured that Miss McClure is working hard, along with the Class Rep - Mrs Bateman, to ensure their remaining weeks at Bushey Heath are memorable.

Early Years Garage

Please keep an eye out for our latest video made by our wonderful Reception and Nursery children. They are asking businesses to donate props for their new mechanical garage i.e. buckets, mops, spanners etc. The link to the video will be shared on our Twitter account.

Our Twitter channel goes from strength to strength and is a fantastic way of seeing how and what your children are doing. Don't forget to follow us here: @busheyheathjm

Defibrillator

The school is also trying to raise funds for a school defibrillator using the GoFundMe account.

<https://gofund.me/38db9500>

For every minute, someone is in cardiac arrest without CPR and access to a defibrillator, their chance of survival drops by up to 10%.

Less than 1 in 10 people in the UK survive an out-of-hospital cardiac arrest. In many cases, this has been down to two factors that we can change:

- there aren't enough people prepared to perform CPR when someone has a cardiac arrest
- there isn't a defibrillator located nearby

By having a defibrillator available at our school and training our pupils and staff in CPR, we can play a huge part in saving more lives.

An Automated External Defibrillator (AED) is a portable life saving device that can give a casualty's heart an electric shock, when it has stopped beating normally in a sudden cardiac arrest.

A defibrillator works by checking the casualty's heart rhythm once the defibrillator pads are placed on their chest and giving them a shock if needed.

Defibrillators can be used on adults or children over one year old.

By using a defibrillator before an ambulance arrives, we can significantly increase someone's chance of survival.

(Since this newsletter has been written, we are delighted to have reached our fund raising target over the weekend and will be arranging for the purchase of the school defibrillator as soon as possible – thank you to everyone that donated and helped to raise awareness of our cause).

Reading Areas

We have been working hard on producing magical reading areas for our children. Mrs Dowden and Mrs Vale are currently developing the most spectacular reading area in our school in the Year 3 classroom.

Thank you to Mr Herman for helping with Year 5's new reading area. Based on Phileas Fogg's 'Around the World in Eighty Days', their reading area now has its very own old fashioned writing desk and bookshelf.

We hope that, once lockdown restrictions have been removed, you will have a chance to come in and visit all the exciting new changes in the school.

A big thank you to Mr Moody who had the wonderful idea of introducing a book vending machine. The children have the opportunity to win a golden token that can be used to select a new books from the vending machine each week. Congratulations to those children chosen last week and good luck for next Friday's Assembly.

Thank you to Asda, Waterstone, WHSmiths, Authors Andy Stanton (Mr Gum series) and Swapna Haddow (Dave Pigeon series), and Mr Herman for donating books to the vending machine. I would also like to thank the children and parents who continue to donate their used (good quality) books. It ensures that we continue to have exciting new books available in our libraries.



Another fabulously hilarious book finished. Y2 adored this one (and nearly exploded when Jean-Claude appeared at the end...) Thanks [@stubbleagent](#)

! On to the next one!
[#BusheyHeathReading](#)
[#ReadingForPleasure](#)

Science

Following the success of British Science Week last term, this half term all our children are taking part in a STEM challenge during their Science lessons. From Nursery to Year 6, our children will have the opportunity to become engineers and solve a real-world problem. Ask your child what they have been up to!

[British Science Week Space Tourists.mp4](#)

Finally.....

On a personal note I would like to thank Mrs Philipp and Mrs Feldman; their kind words and thoughtfulness were very much appreciated. It has been an honour and a pleasure to teach your children, Bushey Heath staff are very proud of the Year 6 class and will be sorry to see them leave. Good luck Year 6 – you have been wonderful.

BUSHEY HEATH PRIMARY SCHOOL - DIARY DATES

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

<http://www.busheyheathjm.herts.sch.uk/our-school/calendar>

SUMMER 2021

Date	Summary
21-25 June	Year 6 Boreatton Park Trip 2021
1 July	Consortium parents/ carers informed of test venue
3 July	Summer Fair
6 July	GB Meeting 6
8 July	Secondary Transition Day
9 July	Occasional Day
14 July	Year 6 Leaver Disco
22 July	Summer 2021 Term ends 2:00 pm

AUTUMN 2021

Date	Summary
1 September	Inset Day 1
2 September	Autumn 2021 Term begins
4 September	Consortium academic test
6 September	Consortium music aptitude test
14 September	Consortium Queens' School sports aptitude test
16 September	Consortium first round music scores notified to parents/ carers
20 September	Consortium start of second round music tests
20 October	Consortium scores notified to parents/ carers
22 October	Occasional Day
25-29 October	Half Term
31 October	Secondary application deadline
1 November	Inset Day 2
9 November	Individual Photographs
21 December	Autumn 2021 Term ends 2:00 pm

SPRING 2022

Date	Summary
5 January	Inset Day 3
6 January	Spring 2022 Term begins
14-18 February	Half Term
1 April	Spring 2022 Term ends 2:00 pm

SUMMER 2022

Date	Summary
19 April	Summer 2022 Term begins
30 May-3 June	Half Term
6 June	Inset Day 4
21 July	Summer 2022 Term ends 2:00 pm
22 July	Inset Day 5

AUTUMN 2022

Date	Summary
1 September	Occasional Day
2 September	Inset Day 1
5 September	Autumn 2022 Term begins
24-28 October	Half Term
31 October	Inset Day 2
21 December	Autumn 2022 Term ends 2:00 pm

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13-17 February	Half Term
31 March	Spring 2023 Term ends 2:00 pm

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17 April	Inset Day3
18 April	Summer 2023 Term begins
29 May-2 June	Half Term
5 June	Inset Day4
20 July	Summer 2023 Term ends 2:00 pm
21 July	Inset Day5