

SUMMER TERM 2025 NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you all had a restful and enjoyable Easter break.

Returning

I am delighted to have now returned full-time to school following my time working with a local school in Borehamwood throughout the Spring Term. It has been a valuable experience, but I am thrilled to be back – and just in time for a very exciting term ahead!

I want to express my heartfelt thanks to our fantastic Deputy Head, Miss Vanessa McClure, who took on the role of Acting Headteacher in my absence. She did a truly fabulous job leading the school with dedication, care and professionalism. We are lucky to have her!

Production Trilogy

One of the many reasons I am so excited to return is to see the Craft and Design Technology Workshop completed! This stunning new addition to our school was fully funded by external fundraising and grants and designed with input from local secondary schools (including Parmiter's, Croxley Danes and Merchant Taylors'), parents/ carers, Friends of the School, local businesses and charities and of course my talented staff (the Creative Team and Mr Moody). This marks the final stage in our Production Trilogy – a three-part journey combining creativity with cutting-edge technology.

We now boast a wonderfully equipped pre-production workshop, featuring 3D printers, a laser cutter, vinyl cutter, woodwork tools, sewing machines and much more. Alongside this, our music production room continues to shine – it takes my breath away every time I walk into the music room – it is just so beautifully designed. Listening to the children's performances, especially Mr Hiron's amazing school bands, fills me with pride and gratitude for what we have achieved together.

Our Digital Hub, the original space in this creative trilogy, continues to thrive under the enthusiastic and innovative leadership of Miss Brown, who is doing a wonderful job engaging the children in all things digital.

The final step to get our Craft Workshop fully operational is ensuring staff are trained and confident in using the equipment – and this is already underway. Then we will be ready for the children across the school to begin to learn advanced design technology skills.

You are, or course, invited to see any part of our production suite. It is something we are all incredibly proud of.

Community Links

A key theme running through all these projects is community. None of this would have been possible without the support and expertise of so many – our staff, Friends of the School, local schools and businesses, parents and even local charities. Despite our school's size, we have achieved something special, together.

We are particularly excited about our growing relationship with the local film studios, who have recently begun working with the school. Our Year 5 and 6 children have already started trying their hand at film production under their guidance – a brilliant opportunity and just one example of how these partnerships are benefitting our pupils.

BHAM

In keeping with our strong community focus, I am delighted to announce that we will be hosting BHAM – the Bushey Heath Artists' Market – on Saturday 13th September. This exciting event will be a celebration of local creativity, offering a family-friendly day out where artists and craftspeople of all ages and abilities can showcase and sell their work.

If you know anyone who might like to take part and have a stall, please do pass on the attached leaflet – it is quick and easy to book. Not only will this support local artists and give people a chance to buy unique, original art, but it will also help show our children just how many creative opportunities are out there in the world.

School Bags - A Practical Solution

We continue to encourage families to consider purchasing one of our official school bags. These have been carefully chosen as a more practical alternative to many of the bags currently being brought in, which can often be oversized, difficult to store and pose trip hazards when left on the floor. Our school bags are designed to comfortably fit all the equipment children need during the school day and help keep classrooms and corridors safe and tidy.

If you would like one but are unable to purchase it at the moment, please do not hesitate to contact the school office – we do have a small number available to give away discreetly.

To add a little excitement, we are also holding a weekly draw in assembly where children have the chance to win one of these bags!

As always, thank you for your ongoing support. I am looking forward to a brilliant Summer Term ahead.

Penny Barefoot Head Teacher

SCAN FOR SCHOOL BAG





Bushey Heath Primary School The Rutts Bushey Heath Herts WD23 1SP

Dear Artists and Craftspeople

Invitation to Exhibit - Bushey Heath Artists' Market (BHAM) 2025

We are excited to invite you to take part in the **Bushey Heath Artists' Market (BHAM)** on **Saturday 13th September 2025**.

BHAM offers a fantastic opportunity for both professional and amateur artists to showcase and sell their work in a welcoming and creative environment.

Whether you are a painter, sculptor, craftsperson, or artisan, we would love for you to be part of this special day. Hosted at Bushey Heath Primary School, the event provides ample space to exhibit and sell your creations.

Event Details:

Date: Saturday, 13th September 2025

① **Time:** 12:00 – 4:00 PM

† Location: Bushey Heath Primary School

Cost: This is a non-profit event. To help ensure maximum turnout there will be no entrance fee for visitors on the day. We ask all exhibitors to contribute a £10 fee towards the cost of cleaning and administration.

We are actively promoting this event within the community to ensure a fantastic turnout. This will be a fun and engaging day, celebrating the incredible creative talent in our local area.

To secure your place please complete this form: http://tiny.cc/bham25 or scan the QR code to the right.

We hope you will join us for this exciting celebration of local art and craftsmanship, as we work together to support artists and strengthen our community.

For further information, email me at BHAM@busheyheathjm.herts.sch.uk

Kind regards

Penny Barefoot Head Teacher Bushey Heath Primary School



CALENDAR DATES

SUMMER TERM	
24 April a <mark>t 15:30</mark>	Parent/ Carer Consultations 1
25 April	Year 5 Swimming 1
25 April	Class Photographs
29 April	Year 2 trip to Cassiobury Park
29 April at 16:00	Parent/ Carer Consultations 2
2 May	Reception 2025 - deadline to accept a Reception place
2 May	Year 5 Swimming 2
7 May	GB Meeting 4
9 May	Year 5 Swimming 3
12 - 15 May	SATs
16 May	Year 5 Swimming 4
19 May at 14:45	Year 3 Sharing Assembly
20 May	Year 4 trip to HMS Belfast
21 May	Year 6 trip to Bletchley Park
23 May	Year 5 Swimming 5
26 - 30 May	Half Term
2 June	Inset Day 5
5 June	Year 3 trip to STEM Discovery Centre
6 June	Consortium online registration closes
6 June	Year 5 Swimming 6
12 June	RNLI visiting the school
13 June	Year 4 Swimming 1
16 - 20 June	Year 6 trip to Boreatton Park
17 June	Year 2 trip to RAF Museum
20 June at 14:45	Year 1 Sharing Assembly
20 June	Year 4 Swimming 2
27 June	Consortium parents informed of test venue
27 June	KS1 & KS2 Sports Day
27 June	Year 4 Swimming 3
1 July at 09:15	Nursery Meet the Teacher
3 July at 09:15	Reception Meet the Teacher
4 July	Year 4 Swimming 4
5 July at 12:00	[FOS] Summer Fair
7 July at 13:45	Nursery Stay and Play 1
8 July at 13:45	Reception Stay and Play
9 July at 13:45	Nursery Stay and Play 2
11 July	Year 4 Swimming 5
14 July at 18:00	Year 6 End of Year Play 1
15 July at 14:00	Year 6 End of Year Play 2
16 July at 09:15	EYFS Sports Day
18 July	Ranger Stu visit to Nursery & Reception
18 July	Year 4 Swimming 6
21 July at 09:15	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly to Parents/ Carers
22 July at 09:15	EYFS Back up Sports Day
23 July	Summer 2025 Term ends 2:00 pm
24 July	Occasional Day