

Bushey Heath Primary School

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A vibrant school inspiring children to realise their potential

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Welcome

It has been a busy term which seems to have flown by. A huge thanks to our wonderful teachers and teaching assistants for all their hard work and well done to the children for also working hard and always being so respectful.

BREAKFAST CLUB

The breakfast club has been a huge success. Well done to Mrs Green and Mrs Choudhury for running the club so well. They now regularly have 20 children. Also I have to congratulate the children who attend, they are so well mannered and beautifully behaved. Remember the club can be used on a daily basis (£2.50 per day) or you can book termly (£2.00 per day). I hope you agree that breakfast club is a wonderful addition to our school and a great help to working parents.



YEAR 5 SCIENCE

Up, up and away! Year 5 had a lot of fun planning their Science investigation where they tested the effects of air resistance on parachutes.



YEAR 3

Year 3 have been enjoying a vast array of new experiences this half term as they settle into life in Key Stage 2.

They have started cornet lessons, made healthy sandwiches, become computer programmers and been Stone Age hunter gatherers. Most recently, the children have enjoyed designing rockets and writing instructions that are out of this world!



NSPCC SPONSORED SKIP

Well done to all the children in Year 1 to Year 6 who raised money for the NSPCC by taking part in a sponsored skip. We would also like to say a huge thank you to all the families and friends who sponsored our pupils. The school raised an amazing £1666.64! The NSPCC were really impressed with the behaviour of the children in our school, as well as their generosity. A particular mention should go to Archie and Daniel in Year 4, who decided to have a 'yard sale' to raise money for the NSPCC.

YEAR 6

In English, Year 6 have been using different stimuli such as: music, sounds, paintings, photographs and objects to create imagery poems. They have then performed these as songs.



GARDEN PROJECT

Thank you to everyone who helped with the garden project recently. I am planning another Saturday on **12 November** to get the planters finished and filled. I will also need help digging holes and repositioning the posts for the sails. There's more wall painting to be done too so the more artistic amongst you will also have a job to do! If you are able to help, please e-mail the office.



ATTENDANCE



Well done to Year 5 for achieving 100% attendance last week. Keep it up! High attendance has an excellent impact in all aspects of children's enjoyment of school life.

WOW VOCABULARY

Each week the children are encouraged to find exciting vocabulary. The winning words are chosen during assembly.

This weeks winners are:

Archie (Y4) - *capricious*
Sadie (Y4) - *diurnal*



Can your child use these words in a sentence?

YEAR 1

Year 1 have enjoyed painting butterflies during maths and folding them in half to spot symmetrical patterns. Our symmetrical butterflies look beautiful on display in our classrooms, do come and have a look!

We have also had fun reading and writing poems about worms during English.

We looked at squiggly squirmy worms and have even made a wormery!

The class enjoyed singing a song in the Harvest assembly, learning about nature and why it is important to give to others.

We have looked at weather and even filmed the children acting as weather forecasters.

YEAR 4

Year 4 have had a very busy and creative half term. They have made their own musical instruments, created an educational game for Year 3 children on Scratch, done some fantastic writing about The Iron Man and Boudicca. They have learnt about the Roman invasion of Britain and have been trying out the bar model in Maths. As part of their RE work they went to the Bhaktivedanta Temple this week and had a fantastic time.

YEAR 2

We have been busy planning and writing instructions on how to catch the baddie from our fiction writing inspired by the Little Red Riding Hood story.



NURSERY

The Nursery children have been reading the Little Red Hen story relating to friendships and sharing. We have made bread to take home and linked it to the story with photographs to show our experiences.



EXTREME READING COMPETITION

Many thanks for all the brilliant entries for our Extreme Reading competition. We had over 60 entries, all of them very creative and unusual.

The winners, who received a £10 book token, are:

Ophelia - Year 1
Dennis - Year 3
Yug - Year 4

Please look out for all the photos, which will be displayed around school after the holiday.

EARLY YEARS FOUNDATION STAGE

In Reception and Nursery the children are taught and encouraged to access all the resources independently. As a team we try to think up new and inventive ideas to make the environment and resources more accessible to the children. We would like to create 'squeeze paint pots' out of plastic ketchup bottles, therefore please can we ask anyone who uses ketchup squeeze bottles to bring them to Reception for us to re-use. Thank you.

The EYFS Team



FRIENDS OF THE SCHOOL

The class representatives are:

Nursery:

Reception: Mrs Smith

Year 1A: Mrs Reiff

Year 1M: Mrs Huryta

Year 2: Mrs Bateman

Year 3:

Year 4: Mrs Williams

Year 5: Mrs Rice-West

Year 6: Mrs Meloy

AUTUMN TERM UNIFORM

After half term the children will wear their usual school uniform. This includes white shirt, tie, grey or maroon jumper/cardigan, grey skirt or trousers and black shoes. Please make sure your children bring with them their PE kit and a water bottle. Please can you also ensure that all their clothes have their names written inside on the label – we already have a number of items in the lost property box.

PARENT VOICE

Following a request for further information, parents will be receiving weekly emails detailing the topics their child has covered that week in Maths, English, Science and the Foundation subjects (Geography, History, Art, Design, Technology, PE, ICT etc)

PUPIL VOICE

To get a more detailed picture of the children's experience whilst at school I will be holding weekly meetings with 6 children (chosen at random) to find out their thoughts, hopes, concerns and suggestions for school improvement.

REMINDERS

Please remember the office staff are always happy to help with any enquiries/concerns you have. In order to help us facilitate this as smoothly as possible please use the white post box next to the office window when handing in reply slips or letters, this allows us to deal with phone calls, or enquiries as quickly as possible.

Could we also ask that any changes to pick up are emailed to admin@busheyheathjm.herts.sch.uk as early as possible, this gives us plenty of time to get the message through to the teachers. If it is an emergency change to pick up please do not hesitate to call us on 020 8950 3042.

Please note, in the interest of safety, children should not play on the climbing equipment at the end of the day, please can all children wait with whoever has picked them up.

We thank you for your co-operation.

The Admin Team

BUSHEY HEATH PRIMARY SCHOOL - DIARY DATES

Autumn 2016

Date	Event
24-28 October	Half Term
2 November	Parent Consultations 3.30-5.30 pm
3 November	Individual Photos
4 November	Year 2 visit to Bushey Library
4 November	Year 6 Science Outreach - Haberdashers' Aske's Boys' School 1
8 November	Flu Vaccination Year 1, 2 & 3
9 November	Year 5 & 6 trip to British Museum
10 November	Parent Consultations 5:30-7:30 pm
11 November	Year 6 Science Outreach - Haberdashers' Aske's Boys' School 2
14-18 Nov	Anti-Bullying Week
17 November	School Improvement Committee Meeting 8.15 am
18 November	Year 6 Science Outreach - Haberdashers' Aske's Boys' School 3
25 November	Year 6 Science Outreach - Haberdashers' Aske's Boys' School 4
1 December	Choir & Orchestra Carol Singing at St Peter's Parish Hall 2.30 pm
1 December	Finance Committee Meeting 8.00 am
1 December	Choir & Orchestra Carol Singing at Reveley Lodge 6.00 - 7.15 pm
2 December	Year 6 Science Outreach - Haberdashers' Aske's Boys' School 5
5 December	Year 1A & Year 1M Christmas Play Dress Rehearsal 10.15 am
6 December	Year 1A & Year 1M Christmas Play to Parents 2 pm
7 December	Choir & Orchestra Carol Singing at Intu Watford 10.30-11.50 am
8 December	GB Meeting 7.00 pm
9 December	Year 6 Science Outreach - Haberdashers' Aske's Boys' School 6
12 December	Happy Puzzle Day (Reception - Year 6)
13 December	Year 2 Christmas Play Dress Rehearsal 10.15 am
14 December	Year 2 Christmas Play to Parents 2 pm
14 December	Christmas Dinner
15 December	KS2 - Jack & the Beanstalk Pantomime at the Radlett Centre
15 December	EYFS Christmas Play Dress Rehearsal - 10.15 am
16 December	EYFS Christmas Play to Parents 9.30 am
21 December	Autumn Term 2016 ends

Spring 2017

Date	Event
5 January	Inset Day
6 January	Inset Day (1)
9 January	Spring Term 2017 begins
17 January	Year 2 visit to St Peter's Church
19 January	School Improvement Committee Meeting 8.15 am
26 January	Finance Committee Meeting 8.00 am
2 February	GB Meeting 7.00 pm
13-17 Feb	Half Term
23 February	Book Fair
24 February	Year 3 visit to Chiltern Open Air Museum
16 March	School Improvement Committee Meeting 8.15 am
21 March	Parent Consultations 3.30-6.30 pm
23 March	Year 5 trip to Epping Forest Field Centre (Loughton Brook)
23 March	Finance Committee Meeting 8.00 am
29 March	Parent Consultations 5.30-7.30 pm
30 March	GB Meeting 7.00 pm
31 March	Spring Term 2017 ends

Summer 2017

Date	Event
18 April	Summer Term 2017 begins
18 April	Year 4 Swimming 1
25 April	Year 4 Swimming 2
27 April	School Improvement Committee Meeting 8.15 am
2 May	Year 4 Swimming 3
4 May	Finance Committee Meeting 8.00 am
8 - 12 May	SAT's Week
9 May	Year 4 Swimming 4
16 May	Year 4 Swimming 5
18 May	GB Meeting 7.00 pm
19 May	Year 2 Trip to Clay Lane
21 May	JFS 11+ Testing of Incoming Year 7
22 - 26 May	Year 6 Boreatton Park Trip
23 May	Year 4 Swimming 6
24 May	Year 3 trip to Hatfield House
29 May-2 June	Half Term
5 June	Inset Day
6 June	Year 4 Swimming 7
7-9 June	Year 5 Hayling Island Trip
13 June	Year 4 Swimming 8
20 June	Year 4 Swimming 9
20 June	Nursery Sports Day
22 June	School Improvement Committee Meeting 8.15 am
23 June	Reception & KS1 Sports Day 10.30-11.30 am
26 June	Year 5 Dress rehearsal to the school
27 June	Year 4 Swimming 10
28 June	Year 5 Play to Parents 1.30-2.30 pm
29 June	Finance Committee Meeting 8.00 am
29 June	Year 5 Play to Parents 6.00-7.30 pm
30 June	KS2 Sports Day
4 July	Year 4 Swimming 11
4 July	Open Day 4.30-6.30 pm
10 July	Year 6 Rehearsal to school 9.15-9.45 am
11 July	Year 4 Swimming 12
11 July	Year 6 Play 2 pm
12 July	Year 6 Play 6 pm
13 July	GB Meeting 7.00 pm
14 July	Year 1 & 2 trip to Knebworth
20 July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly 2.30 pm
21 July	Summer Term 2017 ends
24 July	Occasional day - school closed

MY VIEW FORM

Describe your idea or view:

What are the benefits:

Additional comments or concerns:

Name (optional)	
Child's Name (optional)	
Class	
Date	