

Bushey Heath Primary School

Newsletter: June 2017



A vibrant school inspiring children to realise their potential

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Dear Parent/Carer

WORKING WITH THE COMMUNITY

The School has begun to develop some excellent links with other schools in our local area, both private and state, and we look forward to working closely with them in the coming years to help provide our children with access to first rate facilities. For example, so far:

- Year 5 and 6 have been developing their scientific and mathematical skills with the help of Haberdashers' Schools and Merchant Taylors'.
- The School has recently taken possession of 30 personal computers, donated by Merchant Taylors' School, for which we are very grateful.
- We were lucky enough to receive an invitation to Watford Boys' Grammar School for Year 6 children to listen to Renee Boling from the Imperial College London. Renee had, at one time in her career, been involved in building spacecraft and was certainly a prime example of an inspirational female engineer! The children built their own vehicles (though this time made of balloons, cardboard and bottle-tops!). Liliana came 2nd in the 'distance challenge' and all the children tried really hard.
- We are making progress with the transformation of our 'Sunshine Room' (which had previously been primarily used for storage) into the school's new Greenhouse. We are receiving some expert advice (courtesy of Haberdashers' Girls' School Science Technicians) which will mean as well as the children growing their own flowers, fruit and vegetables from seed, they will also have some rather interesting and exotic plants (whose names I can't remember but I know some will eat flies) **As we make more progress I hope those parents amongst you who are keen gardeners and are willing to help with the Greenhouse will make yourself known.**

SUMMER FAIR

As I am writing this newsletter I can hear the sound of the Friends of the School, and their volunteers getting ready for the school fair. I would like to take a moment to thank all of them for their support this year. Thanks to their hard work the children have received good quality pedometers and stopwatches, KS1 have updated their book collection and, hopefully, they will allow the school to purchase a set of laptops which would dramatically improve the quality of IT provision across the school. I particularly want to thank Jenna Bateman for all her hard work and dedication. It's not an easy job and we are certainly very grateful for the talent that she has brought to organising these events.

Also thank you to Stompy and Sunny for showing up and braving the heat!

YEAR 3

Congratulations to Year 3 on a marvellous performance at their cornet concert this month. The children have worked incredibly hard with Mr Youngs; from blowing raspberries to playing Hot Cross Buns in a two part harmony.

EYFS

To celebrate the wonderful year we have had working with the children, we would like to invite you into the setting to share your child's Learning Journal with them.

We are offering daily drop in sessions in the hope all parents will have the opportunity to join us.

Nursery: Monday 10 July - Friday 14 July parents welcome to share their child's Learning Journal from 11.45 - 12.00

Reception: **Monday 10 July - Friday 14 July** parents welcome to share their child's Learning Journal from **8.45 - 9.00**.

The Early Years Team look forward to celebrating your child's Learning journey with you.

YEAR 4

Year 4 have had a very busy few weeks. Two weeks ago, they hosted a French breakfast cafe for parents and carers. Everyone enjoyed croissants, hot chocolate and baguettes, but the children had to order for their adults in French. The children were delighted to share the learning with their families - thank you all so much for joining them and for your generous donations to the school fund - we raised £30. Year 4 also had a fantastic time at the British History Museum, where they were fascinated by the ancient objects that they saw and sketched.

Thanks to their winning poetry performance, Year 4 will be visiting the park at the end of term. Details will be sent out to parents about this trip next week.



YEAR 2

Year two had a visitor last Friday from a construction company called Skanska. She showed them the clothing she wears on site and explained the properties of the materials that had been used to make them. The children found out that her clothes were light reflective, non conductable, fire retardant, waterproof and insect repellent (insects don't like the colour orange!).

NURSERY 2017 – 30 HOURS

We are delighted to confirm that our Nursery is accepting children for 30 hours from September 2017. The timings are outlined below for your information. However, for those that have already accepted their place, full information together with an invitation for a visit, will be circulated within the next few weeks.

	All Day	Mornings only	Afternoons only
Start:	08:45	08:45	12:00
Finish:	15:00	11:45	15:00

If you are not eligible for 30 hours but would like your child to attend for a full day, additional hours will be chargeable at £5.40 per hour.

SPORTS DAY

Congratulations to all the children for taking part in sports day this week.

Well done to Jupiter for winning the Key Stage 2 Sports Day.

FOOTBALL

The Year 5 & 6 football team drew 1-1 with Hartsbourne on Tuesday 20 June. Goal scorer George, Man of the Match Kayan.

Well done to all the players!

SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS

The Grand Total of £1,390.10 was raised in sponsorship for Sports for Schools, and we have received nearly £600 for sports equipment for the school.

2017/18 CLASS LIST

Nursery:	Mrs Neary & Mrs Reading	Year 3:	Mrs Griffiths (PPA: Mrs Gillett)
Reception:	Mrs O'Brien	Year 4:	Miss Durcan & Mrs Gillett
Year 1:	Miss Aherne (PPA: Mrs Andrews)	Year 5:	Ms Green (PPA Mrs Andrews)
Year 2A:	Mrs Allard (current Year 1M) (PPA: Mrs Andrews)	Year 6:	Miss McClure (PPA Mrs Andrews)
Year 2M:	Mr Moody (current Year 1A) (PPA: Mrs Andrew)		

RUNNING CLUB

We are delighted that Mrs Smith has started a Running Club, 2 lunchtimes per week. This is available to Year 5 & 6, the idea being, to enable the children to have a framework where skills learnt can be passed down to their younger peers. We work on a 'Runner's Attitude' incorporating effective breathing techniques, correct stretching, various running exercises and ending in Yoga wind-down working in pairs. The premise being to bring independence whilst structuring well-being. Mrs Smith has said it has been very rewarding, fun and she believes they really enjoy it. They intend to extend this activity by entering a School team into the Bushey Marathon held in King George's Park next July, which is very exciting.

Best wishes
Penny Barefoot

ENERGYKIDZ AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Fun filled and action packed clubs for 4-11 year olds

Energy Kidz is a leading provider of out of school childcare for primary school aged children, offering fun and affordable childcare delivered in a safe and supervised environment. Our qualified staff are DBS checked to an enhanced level, first aid qualified and are experienced in and passionate about the activities we offer.

All our clubs follow the playworker principles and offer lots of free play and free choice activities. Children can try a range of activities including arts and crafts, sports, or just chill out and enjoy the variety of toys and games available. We encourage children to try something new, but understand that not every activity suits every child so an alternative is always available.

Our Prices:

After School Club £12.20 per session from school finish until 6pm

Sibling discounts are available and childcare vouchers are accepted.

Book online at <https://www.energy-kidz.co.uk/breakfast-and-after-school-clubs/bushey-heath-primary-school/> before 1st July to secure your child's place. If you book more than 2 months in advance you can pay just £1 to secure your space.

For further information call 0333 577 1533,

email info@energy-kidz.co.uk or visit our website at www.energy-kidz.co.uk.

BUSHEY HEATH PRIMARY SCHOOL - DIARY DATES

Summer 2017

Date	Event
4 July	Year 4 Swimming 11
4 July	Open Day 4.30-6.30 pm
5 July	Year 2 trip to Reveley Lodge (pm)
6 July	Year 6 workshop - Moving on to Secondary School
6 July	Reserve Sports Day
6 July	Reception visit & parent meeting 1.30 pm
6 July	Reception parent meeting 6.00 pm
7 July	[FOS] World Culture Day <i>Please come to school dressed in costumes celebrating the different cultures of the world</i>
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
12 July	Nursery visit & parent Meeting 2.00 pm
13 July	Nursery visit & parent Meeting 2.00 pm (1)
14 July	Year 1A, 1M & 2 trip to Knebworth
19 July	Year 6 Leavers Disco 6 - 8 pm
19 July	Piano, violin, recorder & flute concert to parents 1.30 pm
20 July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly 2.30 pm
21 July	Summer Term 2017 ends 2.00 pm
21 July	Funky Footwear Friday
24 July	Occasional day - school closed

Autumn 2017

Date	Event
30 August	Occasional day - school closed
31 August	Inset Day
1 September	Inset Day (1)
4 September	Autumn Term 2017 begins
9 September	Consortium Academic Test
12 September	Consortium Music Aptitude Test
15 September	Queens' School sports aptitude test (1)
15 September	Governors' Day
19 September	Queens' School sports aptitude test (2)
23 September	Bushey Meads technology aptitude test
23-27 October	Half Term
16 November	Individual & Sibling Photographs 9.30 am
12 December	KS2 - Beauty & the Beast Pantomime at The Radlett Centre
19 December	Autumn Term 2017 ends

Spring 2018

Date	Event
3 January	Inset Day
4 January	Spring Term 2018 begins
12-16 February	Half Term
29 March	Spring Term 2018 ends

Summer 2018

Date	Event
16 April	Inset Day
17 April	Summer Term 2018 begins
23-27 April	Year 6 Boreatton Park Trip 2018
8 May	Inset Day

Summer 2018 Cont.

Date	Event
14-18 May	SATs Week
28 May-1 June	Half Term
6-8 June	Year 5 Hayling Island Trip 2018
25 July	Summer Term 2018 ends
26 July	Occasional day - school closed
27 July	Occasional day - school closed (1)

Summer 2019

Date	Event
13 - 17 May	SATs Week

MY VIEW FORM

Describe your idea or view:

What are the benefits:

Additional comments or concerns:

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