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### March

Wednesday 17th	St. Patrick's Day	
Sunday 21st	Census Day	
Saturday 27th	Earth Hour & Clocks change	
Wednesday 31st	Year 6 Evacuee Day	

### April

Thursday 1st	End of term	
	Maple	1.05pm
	Willow	1.10pm
	Hornbeam	1.15pm
	Beech	1.20pm
Monday 19th	Start of Summer Term	

### May

Thursday 6th	Polling Day	
Friday 28th	INSET	
31st - 4th June	Half Term	

*Please see the website for further dates.*

	Start of term	Half term	End of term
<b>Spring</b>	4 January 2021	15 February – 19 February 2021	1 April 2021
<b>Summer</b>	19 April 2021	31 May – 4 June 2021	21 July 2021

**INSET Days 2020/21**

28th May 2021



# The Bushy Bulletin

Working Together, Learning Together, Growing Together

Spring 1

12th March

A very warm welcome back to you all.

It has been absolutely wonderful to have all the children back this week and to welcome 8 new families to our community. They have been so excited to see their friends and to have time to socialise and connect with each other.



Some children have been understandably anxious about the return and will take longer to settle back in, but rest assured this is only to be expected and our staff team will ensure the pastoral support provided allows each child the time and space they may need over the coming days and weeks. Please do let me know if your child is struggling or has any worries, and we can work together to guide and support them.

We also appreciate that the experiences of our children and families will have differed greatly over the past year, through the lockdowns and isolation periods. We have talked to the children about this and the importance of showing respect and caring (two of our school values) at this time. I attach to this week's newsletter, some resources if your family has sadly experienced a bereavement.

Welcome back to Mrs Johns as well! She has returned after her maternity leave and has enjoyed her first couple of days back in 5CH.



Thank you for all your support with the arrangements this week. A reminder to check the time your child needs to be dropped off/collected. We appreciate that the roadworks are not helping at the moment! Please let me know if you have any feedback and remember to continue to observe social distancing rules.

Please ensure that you are driving safely and parking considerately - not turning around in the school driveway whilst children are coming into school.

### Science Week

Thursday and Friday of this week have been dedicated to immersing the children in a range of scientific experiments and education. From slime, to rocket balloons, minibeasts to vaccines, the children have had great fun working in teams to conduct their investigations. Make sure they tell you all they have learnt!



Have a great weekend!

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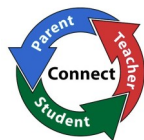
Well done to Harry F for competing in the virtual Surrey Schools Athletics cross country competition and finishing with an impressive 6mins 52 seconds.



### Snacks

A lot of children have been very hungry this week - a change in routine and not having food available all day! Unfortunately we are unable to provide breakfast and snacks, so please ensure your child has a healthy breakfast before school and provide them with a piece of fruit or vegetable for break-time.

### Consultations



I hope you have all successfully managed to book a 10 minute appointment with your child's teacher on our new system School Cloud. Please remember to return to School Cloud at the time of your appointment and click on the link. These meetings are to discuss how they have managed during lockdown, with regard to both wellbeing and work, and for you to discuss any specific concerns you have about the return to school.

### Child Protection, Safeguarding and Wellbeing

Please see below some useful links to support your child and family.

<https://youngminds.org.uk/supporting-parents-helpfinder/>

[Mental Health support](#)

<https://parentinfo.org/article/think-critically>

**National Online Safety free mobile app:**

Download for apple: [hubs.ly/H0BwQjL0](https://hubs.ly/H0BwQjL0)

Download for android: [hubs.ly/H0Bx0tp0](https://hubs.ly/H0Bx0tp0)



Census Day is Sunday 21 March and it's fast approaching. The census helps to plan and fund public services in your area, including your school, transport and the NHS. The information provided will help to make sure that services meet the needs of our changing society. Spread the word to let everyone know how important it is to fill in the census questionnaire.

The children will be completing work in school next week to learn more about it.

Click [here](#) for the census advert.



### Raspberry Pi Foundation

Does your child enjoy making things with technology? The Raspberry Pi Foundation is hosting a creative technology showcase for young people, called Coolest Projects. It's online, free to take part in, and open to all children aged 7+. Get started at home with their free digital making resources:

- Explore more than 200 free step-by-step [project guides](#) for learning coding at home
- Download our free Coolest Projects [workbook](#) that walks you through the creation process, from brainstorming to picking a project

Visit the [Coolest Projects website](#) to get started right away!



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