

# Diary Dates 2021 - 2022

Date	Event	Time	
November			
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup>	No Pens Day PTA meeting (Zoom)	7pm	
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Anti-bullying Ambassador Training Visit to Watt's Gallery		
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Fantastic Friday (in class/year groups)		
w/c 29 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Bikeability Final Week of Teacher-Led clubs		
December			
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mufti for Hampers		
w/c 6 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Bikeability Final week of external clubs		
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Bushy Bazaar		
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Carols at the Lunch Club	1pm	
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Bushy Bazaar back up		
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Jumper Day (for Save the Children)		
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Dress Rehearsal (Merrow Year 2s to watch).	1.30pm	
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Rev. Rona Assembly Matinee performance - Year 3 choir Christmas Production - 6F and Year 4	11am 1.30pm 6.30pm	
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Production - 6J, 6SB and Year 5	6.30pm	
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Lunch	12 noon	
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup>	End of term	1.15pm	
January 2022			
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup>	INSET		
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Return to school	8.40am	

# Please see the website for further dates.



# **Working Together, Learning Together, Growing Together**

Autumn 6 19th November 2021

As you will be aware we have had a surge in COVID cases at school. Please rest assured that I have contacted the DfE and Local Authority for advice and have followed their advice, putting a number of measures in place in school to help prevent the spread. I would appreciate it if you could continue to regularly test your child with LFT and ensure you get a PCR if the LFT is positive or your child displays any symptoms.

#### Uniform

The children are looking smart in their shirts and ties - and not too many reminders to tuck shirts in! A reminder that in the colder weather children are allowed to wear tracksuit bottoms for PE - please ensure these are plain black or green.

#### **Horizons Breakfast and After School Club**

A reminder that our fantastic Breakfast and After School Club accepts ad hoc bookings - so if you need an extra afternoon to go Christmas shopping, book your children in! Please contact Mrs Murphy at: sandra.horizons@bushyhilljs.net



#### Consultations

Thank you for your support and attendance at the recent consultations on School Cloud. There are pros and cons of using the system and we are grateful to you for persevering with the system this term. We will keep you updated with regards to future meetings.

### **Coffee morning**

It was lovely to see so many of our Year 3 and 4 parents/carers at the coffee morning on Monday and I know they enjoyed looking at their children's books. Apologies to the Year 5 & 6s, but we will rearrange your opportunity as soon as it is safe to do so. At the gathering our current Co-Chair of the PTA spoke about ways to get involved. All parents/carers are automatically members of our PTA, but we also need to fill vacancies on the committee too - please speak to the office if you are interested in finding our more.



## **Poppies**

Thank you to our team of ambassadors who sold poppies and resources this year - we have raised a lot of money for this very worthy cause.

## **Support for Carers**

FREE event for Surrey's unpaid family and friend carers - Saturday 27th November 2021

- 10am-2pm The Hive (Park Barn Centre), Park Barn Drive, Guildford GU2 8EN find out about support available to you as an unpaid carer.

Fuel Poverty Awareness Day - Friday 3rd December Victoria Hall Ash Hill Rd Ash, Aldershot GU12 5DN Get help with your energy and water bills! 2pm - 6pm (Drop in anytime)

Have a great weekend!



## **Outdoor Learning**

A team of us at Bushy and Merrow are doing some action research on how we can maximise the learning that we can get from our outdoor environment.

We are looking to see if there are any parents/carers who have expertise/interest in any of the following things: Sustainability, gardening, ponds, allotments, playground equipment/games, forest school, outdoor fitness.

Please contact the office if you can help or have any ideas.

## Year 6 Greek week

This week, year six have participated in various different Greek themed activities as part of our history and English work on mythology.

As one of our activities, we had three kind actors that came to perform a brilliant Greek themed play of Perseus and Medusa, which was about one of the most famous stories in ancient Greek times. Including loads of Greek Gods and Goddesses. We had a couple of breaks in-between with the actors to discuss what had happened in the story so far.

Another one of our Greek activities was Greek art. We designed and created our very own Greek masks, made out of mod rock since we are also learning about ancient Greek theatre and how they used their masks to show different expressions.

### **Term Dates 2021/22**

	Start of term	Half term	End of term
Autumn	01 September 2021	22 October - 29 October 2021	17 December 2021
Spring	4 January 2022	14 February - 18 February 2022	1 April 2022
Summer	19 April 2022	30 May - 3 June 2022	22 July 2022

## **INSET Days 2021/22**

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January Friday 11<sup>th</sup> February Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May

Please take not of these dates as I am unable to authorise holidays

# **Child Protection and Safeguarding**

Starting a conversation about mental health



Movember - Supporting men with their mental health

Reading Well is here to support your mental health and wellbeing with helpful books about common feelings and experiences for readers of all ages.

This week has been Anti-Bullying Week and the children have completed a number of activities to reflect on what bullying is and how we can support one another. Next week a number of children will be trained as Anti-Bullying Ambassadors - more details to follow. Please find attached a guide developed in school to support the children.

## **Achievement Corner!**

A huge well done to Gracie who has taken her I.D.T.A Gold bar 3 Pro award exam and achieved 99% with honours!



Grace proudly showed her medals she received at Football and Summer of Sport!

Felicity received a Tennis trophy yesterday for some excellent shots!

Congratulations to Charlotte and her dance troupe who performed at the Princess Hall Theatre in Aldershot as part of their Elevate event. They thoroughly enjoyed being on a professional stage with make-up, costumes, props, lighting and a big audience and they all did fantastically well.

The troupe practice at Bushy on a Saturday and Charlotte has worked very hard and should be extremely proud of what she achieved - a great example of perseverance and aspiration!

