



Diary Dates 2021 - 2022

| Date | Event | Time |
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| w/c 6 th | Year 6 Bikeability Final week of external clubs | |
| Monday 6 th | Bushy Bazaar | |
| Wednesday 8 th | Year 5 visit to St. Johns' for Prayer Space | 9.30am |
| Friday 10 th | Christmas Jumper Day (for Save the Children) | |
| Monday 13 th | Bushy Bazaar (pt. II) | |
| Tuesday 14 th | Production for actors (TBC) | 1.30pm |
| Thursday 16 th | Christmas Lunch | 12 noon |
| Friday 17 th | End of term | 1.15pm |
| January 2022 | | |
| Tuesday 4 th | INSET | |
| Wednesday 5 th | Return to school | 8.40am |

Please see the website for further dates.

Term Dates 2021/22

| | Start of term | Half term | End of term |
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| 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 4th January Friday 11th February Friday 27th May

Please take note of these dates as I am unable to authorise holidays during term time.

Have a great weekend!

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The Bushy Bulletin

Working Together, Learning Together, Growing Together

Autumn 7

3rd December 2021



Here we are in December - the countdown to Christmas is on! Please take note of events coming up in the next couple of weeks, especially those organized by the PTA. A useful 'cheat sheet' was sent out earlier this week.

Unfortunately due to the numbers we still see across the school, we have taken the very sad decision that we will not hold our Christmas production evenings this year. We will continue with the production, with all children involved, but will be filming the play and sending this to you in the last week of term. We still hope to be able to allow the actors to perform to one of their family members on Tuesday 14th at 1.30pm - this is to be confirmed.

Bubbles - thank you all for your patience and understanding as we have been in 'bubbles' over the past few weeks. Numbers are now slowing and I hope that everyone is well for the holidays. Please continue to be vigilant and remember that if your child displays symptoms, they need a 'PCR test' (not an LFT).

Clubs - no teacher-led clubs next week and it is the final week of external clubs. All will run as normal, apart from Dance, which will unfortunately have to be cancelled again.

Fantastic Friday - we all enjoyed a 'fantastic' day last week, with all sorts of amazing activities going on across the school. From Lego challenges to clay decorations, jam jar Christmas art to Dance, all the children had a great time. Thank you to the staff, especially Mrs Mazur and Mrs Thomson, for organising the day, and our parent helpers - your time and support is much appreciated.



Fundraising - some incredible news to share with you.

We raised £279.70 for the Macmillan Coffee Morning this year, and an incredible £611.45 for this year's Poppy Appeal (2nd best school/best Junior School in the area!). A phenomenal amount, which was very well received.



Can you help?

Co-Chair of the PTA - Thankyou to those who attended the AGM the other week. We have now filled most roles, including Class Reps (a really vital link). We now need a Co-Chair to work alongside our current Chair. It is a very rewarding role and sharing it makes it all that much easier. Please get in touch asap if you are able to help.



Marketing - We are always looking at different ways in which we can market the school to show off all the amazing things your children do. If anyone has any experience in this area, please get in touch!

Bushy Bazaar

On Monday 6th December, the PTA will be holding their Christmas Bushy Bazaar. The children will have an opportunity to purchase gifts for their friends and family.



Volunteers have been busy purchasing and wrapping presents such as toiletries, socks, sweets and toys. Prices will range between £1 and £2.

Over the weekend, it might be useful to talk to your child about their budget and who they should purchase gifts for. A list might be helpful for younger children. Please also remember to send in a named plastic bag and cash in a named wallet.

We will hold a second shopping day on the 13th for anyone who is not in school on the 6th. Or who needs to pick up additional items!

Children's Business Fair - November 2021

"Once again, the BHS entrepreneurs covered themselves in glory."

Sanya Adhikari - The SAC

Third-time CBF'er. Now incredibly slick, this highly talented artist returned with the most lovely Xmas cards. I have 10 of them on my desk ready to send.

Shayne Le Roux/Harry Murphy - Shayne and Harry's Terrific Treats

Shayne sadly down with Covid but Harry nailed it selling fudge. Huge profit margins. Plus, he dyed his hair blue to attract the customers - clever!

Zara Mir-Rodriguez/Eloise Christie - Sweet Friends

You'll see from the picture that the team put a lots of effort into their elegant stand and products. They were highly commended for it. (I thought they should have won the Best Stand prize.)

Lucie Richardson - Pretty Pine Cones

The smile on Lucie's face throughout the event was a sight to behold. This was her second event - and it showed. Low costs, high margins, a card machine, a welcoming demeanour and a great, timely product (decorated pine cones).

Amy Genge - Amy Makes

Love the way Amy approaches things - so different and original - the sign of a great entrepreneur. Reindeer food - hilarious! (Hayley's Cat Rocks business proved equally original!).

Florian Stuszinski / Kaya Stuszinski - F&K Siblings

Perhaps my favourite young man at the event. Florian was out first thing hustling the High Street with flyers. Charming, enthusiastic and always smiling. An honour to have him at the event.

What incredible feedback - you should all be very proud.

Year 3 visit to St. John's Church

by Josie and Abigail



On Wednesday we went to St. John's Church to find out about its history in Merrow. We saw lots of things that not many people get to see! We saw a cross that had been brought back from the war, where the soldier had died, and as he was from Merrow, it was brought back to this church to be displayed. We enjoyed the stained glass windows - did you know that they were designed by Robert Web and he put a spider's web in the corner! We saw another stained glass window and noticed that they were all women. We also found crosses in the pillars that had been left by the pilgrims in the Middle Ages. We had a great time (we had biscuits and squash too!) ! Thank you to our teachers, Rev. Rona and Hannah.

The Winter Mini Challenge encourages children to keep up their reading habits over the winter holidays, with a free-to-access website featuring rewards for reading and reviewing books.

How can a child take part?

Taking part in the Winter Mini Challenge is simple. A child needs to read at least three books **between 1 December and 16 January** and add them to their profile on the **Reading Agency's - Winter Mini Challenge** website, to earn fun digital rewards! They will find loads of other great stuff on the website too, including games, book reviews, reading activities and content from the best children's authors and illustrators around.

Visit the **Surrey Libraries** website for more details.



Child Protection and Safeguarding

[Axie Infinity - all you need to know](#)

Axie Infinity is part of a new trend in gaming, called 'play-to-earn', which combines **cryptocurrency** and game-play.

Domestic Abuse advice: www.surreyagainstda.info

Railway Safety

Due to the very high level of trespassing on the tracks by young people in our local area, Network Rail in partnership with Learn Live are working to help raise awareness to students across the UK educating them about the dangers of the train tracks through interactive digital delivery.

Watch A free safety videos by just entering the email railsafety@learnliveuk.com into the 'I am registered' field when you first watch the video:

<https://learnliveuk.com/network-rail-primary-school-safety-talk/>

<https://learnliveuk.com/i-am-train-safe/>

