

## Working Together, Learning Together, Growing Together



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Dear Parent/Carer

As always today has been an emotional one! It has been a wonderful celebration of all we have achieved this year, as well as sad as we wave goodbye to our friends as they move onto their new schools.

Everyone in the school community should be so proud of the progress they have made, not just academic, but in their relationships with others and their attitudes to learning and facing challenges. Our staff have, again, been superb - the care, education and opportunities they provide on a daily basis are fantastic, we are so fortunate to have such a strong team.

I am sincerely appreciative of all the support you as parents/carers have provided - it is what helps to make Bushy a very special place to be.

### Staffing news

Today we say goodbye to Mrs Inman and Mrs Frewin.

Mrs Inman has been with us for 2 years and moves onto a role in another school. We wish her all the very best and thank her for the support she has given our children during her time with us.

Mrs Frewin - well where do I start?! I cannot begin to express how much I, and the school community, will miss her. Her expertise, knowledge and endless compassion have been so appreciated by all at Bushy. She has provided invaluable support and training to those around her and we are so lucky to have had her with us since 2016. We wish her the very best as she starts her new role at George Abbot - I am sure we will see more of her.

We also say farewell to Mrs Carter who is just moving down the road to Merrow and we will continue working with her in September. Thank you to Mrs Carter for all she has done for our children at Bushy.

We wish Mrs Johns all the very best as she starts her maternity leave and we look forward to welcoming the next 'Bushy baby' in the Autumn Term.

We welcome Sydrah Hussain (Year 3 Class Teacher), Jill Rowe (Office staff) and Sandra Rayner (Learning Support Assistant) who will join the staff team in September. We look forward to working with them.

A huge thank you to all our librarians, Anti-Bullying Ambassadors, House Captains & Ambassadors, School Council and Sports Crew and all other groups who help make Bushy a safe, fun and happy place to learn. We appreciate the time and efforts you put in.

## Celebrating Successes

Congratulations to David and Yaretzi who have been working hard on a family video game  
The trailer can be seen here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RRW3C0jraeg>  
The download link for the game is here: <https://kalevtait itch.io/falling-kingdom>



### Sportshall

We have had a really successful year in sport, showing our long term commitment to this area. Congratulations to our Year 5 and 6 Sporthall Athletics Team who got through to the Finals at St. George's last week and finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in Surrey! What an achievement!

### Year 6 Awards

Thank you to all of our Year 6s for their contributions over the past 4 years. Congratulations to the winners of these special awards - you should be very proud of your achievements.

#### Allan Wells Trophy

Adam Gill and Penny Laken

#### Teresa Ball Art Award

Mia-Grace Harding and Patrick Wheeler

#### John Abbott Sports Award

Harry Freeman and Harrison Springthorpe

#### Perkins Performance Award

Gracie McKerrow, Diya Venkatesh and Poppy May

#### Contribution to School Life

Sophia Rousell, Zara Mir-Rodriguez and Ellie Wright

### Head Teacher Awards

What incredible comments the teachers wrote about these amazing children. Lots about growth mind-set/positive attitude towards learning, showing our school values and supporting one another. These children are true Bushy ambassadors - congratulations to you all.

3D - Josie Fong

3J - Amelie Alderton

4K - Jack Jones

4C - Charlotte Rayner

5KL - Harvey Lewer

5F - Jensen Askew

6F - Tilly Sharp

6SB - Jadon Chung

6J - William Hutchings

Congratulations to Willow for winning this term's Housepoints with an incredible 32.4 points! They all received a yummy treat at breaktime to celebrate!

There are too many children to list who were awarded sports, music and maths awards in today's assembly, but great to see the excitement on their faces, and that of their friends when their names were called!

Special mention to Guang for achieving so highly in Maths - a Platinum Owl Challenge award and best in school for the UK Junior Maths Challenge. Also to Barney for achieving his Gold Owl Badge - he has shown great perseverance with this!

Congratulation to Nicholas for being awarded the Gold Disc from M:Tech this term.

I would also like to congratulate the whole school on the very impressive Evacuation Practice we undertook last week - the children were superb!

Many congratulations to Mrs Tutty who has achieved a 2:1 in her degree in Childhood and Youth Studies.





Year 6 have had a great few weeks with lots of fun activities and emotional endings! The Leavers Play was a real success - I do not know how they managed to pull it off considering everything else that was going on! Some real stand out performances and we have to give a mention to the terrifying Lunch Time Supervisors! Thank you to everyone in Year 6 for your hard work in putting such a memorable performance together.

The party last week was great fun - sunshine, pizza and bouncy castles, what more could you ask for! Thank you to the PTA for organising this event.

The Leavers picnic and Cup ceremony was a fitting tribute to the resilience and progress the children have shown since they started at our school. Each and everyone should be so proud and must leave today knowing that they are ready for the next stage of their education, the experiences and challenges yet to come. They gained so much from the Matrix sessions in which they had the opportunity to reflect on their time here and prepare for the future. Remember our values, your growth mindset and build on all you have learnt. We wish you all the very best and look forward to seeing you in the future, letting us know how you are getting on!



This week we held the inaugural Bushy/Merrow Picnic at Merrow. It was a wonderful occasion and the children (and staff!) thoroughly enjoyed the experience.

### **Rev Rona assembly**

On Wednesday we welcomed Rev. Rona and Hannah from St. Johns to lead a farewell assembly. It was a lovely opportunity to reflect on how we and others help when we are faced with new challenges. Rev. Rona ended with these fitting words:

As we come to the end of the school year, we thank you for the values of (aspiration, perseverance, caring ...) which we have learned, practiced and modelled during our time in Bushy. And now May the road rise to meet you, May the wind be always at your back, May the sun shine warm upon your face and the rain fall soft upon your fields, and until we meet again May God hold you gently in the palm of his hand. Amen.

### **Federation**

Please remember that if you have any questions or comments, please respond by 8<sup>th</sup> August to [federation.questions@bushyhilljs.net](mailto:federation.questions@bushyhilljs.net).

## **Community Events/ Child Protection and Safeguarding**

### **HELP PAYING FOR YOUR CHILDCARE**

[https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/?utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=govdelivery](https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery)

### **Do you need help to achieve a healthy weight for your child?**

**Be Your Best** is a free service for Surrey families with children aged 0-12 who are above the healthy weight range. We can help you make a positive difference to your child's health and wellbeing.

Families will be offered 6 one-to-one sessions and 6 online group sessions.





<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/tags/zh4wy9q/starting-secondary-school/1>

[Family Learning for parents and carers - Surrey County Council \(surreycc.gov.uk\)](https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/family-learning)





The Eikon Charity holds several Parent Webinars throughout the year covering various topics. Our webinars for parents and carers explore ways in which they can support the mental health and wellbeing of their children and young people at home. Combining both theory and practical strategies, the webinars offer a range of accessible ideas for parents to choose from, and to find those that will best suit their family. The webinars last for about an hour with time for questions and answers. The webinars are free to attend and are open to all parents living in Surrey or with children attending school within Surrey.

Your presenters for the evening will be Caroline Blake and Helen Robertson, Eikon's Schools Project Coordinators. All webinars will run from **7pm to 8pm**.

### [Supporting your Child's Wellbeing and Mental Health \(Primary\)](#)

Tuesday 4th October

Topics Covered:

- The brain-body connection
- 5 ways to wellbeing
- Positive communication and connection
- The importance of play
- Promoting good sleep

### [Supporting your Child's Wellbeing and Mental Health \(Secondary\)](#)

Tuesday 11th October

Topics Covered:

- How the teenage brain develops and the connection between brain and body
- 5 ways to wellbeing
- Positive communication
- Supporting healthy online behaviour
- The importance of sleep

**Mindworks:** [Mindworks Surrey \(mindworks-surrey.org\)](http://mindworks-surrey.org) If you are worried about yourself, a friend, or your child or young person, **please call our 24/7 mental health crisis line** free on [0800 915 4644](tel:08009154644). It's open all day and all night, seven days a week. You can talk with a trained call handler who will provide advice, support and signposting to a range of community services. The crisis line is available for children and young people from the age of six. It can be used by those who are already receiving mental health services, and also by those who are not. No formal request for support is needed.

**Or in the case of an emergency, call 999 or 112 from a mobile.**

MindWorks [Advice, information and resources :: Mindworks Surrey \(mindworks-surrey.org\)](http://mindworks-surrey.org) The webpage has links to resources and support with details of the access and advice line that can offer help to access appropriate support

**Neurodevelopmental helpline:** If you are struggling with **behaviours or difficulties which could be related to a neurodevelopmental need**, please consider using the "Out of Hours Advice line", open from 5pm to 11pm, seven days a week. **Please call 0300 222 5744.**

**Kooth.com** is an online service for young people aged 11-18 in Surrey that provides free and confidential counselling services via webchat provided by qualified counsellors. <https://www.kooth.com/>

**Apps for mental health and wellbeing** :Many people find apps a helpful tool to improve mental health and wellbeing. We offer an online library of rated health apps at <https://sabp.orchu.co.uk/>



**CYP Havens** The havens are safe places for young people to go and talk about their worries and mental health in a confidential, friendly and supportive environment. The service is a drop-in so there is no need to phone first or make an appointment; you can simply turn up during our opening times. Any young person aged between 10-18 years can visit so long as you are in need of emotional support or concerned about how you are feeling. The havens have a number of professionals who work there including a youth worker, a User Voice Participation team member and a member of the Surrey Wellbeing Partnership team.

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Surrey GU1 4LH

### Contact information

- Telephone [01483 519436](tel:01483 519436)
- To find out more visit the [CYP Haven website](#)

**All that remains is for me to thank you for the generous gifts and cards and to wish each and everyone in 'Team Bushy' a wonderful holiday! Have a great break and enjoy time with your family and friends. Keep safe and well and we will see you on 5<sup>th</sup> September!**

With very best wishes



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