

Working Together, Learning Together, Growing Together

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Dear Parent/Carer

Summer has arrived! The weather is set to be very hot over the coming week as we build up to the end of term. Please remember sunscreen, hat and plenty of water everyday.

Our Summer Fair was a huge success and I cannot thank you enough for your support. The PTA, very ably led by Chris Sciberras outdid themselves and we had a great range of stalls and activities. A particular thanks to our choir, Samba band and Year 5 stall holders for their contributions. We made a fantastic profit and you will hear more about that next week in the PTA Summer Newsletter.

The heat at the Discos last night have helped us acclimatise to the summer temperatures!! The children had a fantastic time. Thank you to the PTA for organising this event, it is definitely a firm favourite.

Also this week we did an Evacuation Practice. This involved the whole school evacuating to Merrow School. The children were INCREDIBLE! So sensible and quiet all the way to and from Merrow - I was very impressed and proud of their conduct.

Talking of impressive achievements A special mention for Hollie Ellis who showed remarkable resilience at her swimming competition last week. The first day she attended and suffered an unfortunate event which meant she choked and had to stop, therefore being disqualified. She then swam three other races, with a further disqualification for starting too early (she finished and thought she'd won only to be told she was disqualified). In another race she had to face being unexpectedly beaten by a team mate. Regardless she said 'well done' and celebrated with her, showing integrity. She was offered the choice to not attend the next day but she showed fantastic maturity, determination and perseverance and decided she would attend, in her words 'to make things right'. Hollie swam two races; got two golds and two lifetime best times! How about that for Growth Mindset! Many congratulations Hollie!

Still lots to fit in before the end of term - please check the attached 'Dates for the Diary' so you don't miss anything! On Monday we welcome back Mrs Warren-Simpson who will be rejoining 3D for the rest of the term.

End of term reminders

- Final week of clubs next week
- All library books to be returned by 15th July
- Last stationery shop - 15th July

Transition day

Last Wednesday the children enjoyed a morning with their new teacher finding out what is in store for them next year. We have also planned an afternoon next Thursday to spend in the new classrooms, completing activities ready for September.

It was lovely to meet our new Year 3s and they had a great morning discovering what life is like at Bushy. They will be back next Wednesday for a Geography morning with Year 3s, followed by a picnic lunch and a Sports afternoon with their buddies.

Spirit of Youth

The Spirit of Youth project was such fun - 10 children were picked to learn a Shakespeare play within 10 weeks (with the Guildford Shakespeare company). We performed 'The Tempest' at Sunset Homes, with some of the residents. They made it super funny and cool!

Ethan N.



Baton Relay



On 7th July, 19 children from Bushy joined some children from Boxgrove at Newlands Corner to watch the handover of the Queen's Baton for the Commonwealth Games. We had free refreshments and pastries and waved flags! We had a great time and look forward to it passing through the different countries around the world.

Amelia and Eloise

Questionnaire feedback

Thank you to everyone who took the time to complete the survey, we really appreciate your positive comments and constructive feedback.

Key highlights:

"It is an amazing school!"

"A huge thank you to all staff for your duty of care towards the next generation."

"Love all the initiatives the school is doing specifically for my child."

"Whole school approach is child centred."

96% of those who responded agreed the school keeps their child safe

95% of those who responded felt our motto of 'Working Together, Learning Together, Growing Together' is evident in the school.

Areas to improve:

- Informing parents/carers about child's progress
- Studybugs (the suggestions made have been passed to the company)
- Further transparency in the way in which unacceptable behaviour is dealt with and to provide further education for parents to understand the needs of others

These will form part of our development plan for the next academic year.

EGG Eco event

Last week, a company called EGG came to our school to tell us about sustainability and how to make our homes more eco-friendly. They told us how to recycle plastic and what other small changes we could make that can make a big difference. They included: walking to school instead of driving and using your food waste as compost to make plants grow.

EGG also showed us why it is important to be more sustainable and eco-friendly, because if we aren't, then our world will die out.

Community Events

Parent Carer Survey and Surrey Schools SEND Survey

SCC is conducting a survey to inform the Additional Needs and Disabilities Partnership Self Evaluation. We would be grateful if you could share the following survey with the parents and carers within your community.

We welcome feedback from **parents and carers** via the Parents' Voices Matters Survey:

<https://www.surreysays.co.uk/csf/parentsvoices>



Cherry Trees Sensory Trail is running throughout the summer holidays at the National Trust's Hatchlands Park. With inclusion at its core, the trail is designed to engage children of all abilities while sharing an insight into life at Cherry Trees.

The Trail Guide will be available to purchase for £2 with all proceeds going to support Cherry Trees. Cherry Trees provides home from home respite care for children with complex disabilities whilst also providing their parents and family with a meaningful break. Every stay at Cherry Trees is subsidised by fundraising income, generated through events like our Sensory Trail.

For more information: <https://www.cherrytrees.org.uk/Event/cherry-trees-sensory-trail>

Surrey Arts Summer Activities

<https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/culture-and-leisure/arts/surrey-arts-workshops>

Once again, the Summer Reading Challenge is being launched in public libraries throughout the UK on Saturday, 9 July, running until Saturday, 17 September 2022. The theme is 'Gadgeteers', inspiring children to discover the amazing science and innovation in the world around them.



Children of all reading abilities can take part and can choose to read anything at all, from non-fiction to graphic novels, or they may want to listen to audiobooks. They all count. Children will be given a free collector poster on signing up, followed by other incentives along the way, with all children who manage to read 6 books being awarded a personalised certificate and a medal. All of this, as well as hundreds of books to choose from at their local library, and entirely free!

Children will need to be a member of Surrey Libraries to participate, but it's free to join the library and can be done online or in their local branch.



Surrey Schools FA is a not for profit organisation ran entirely by volunteers from both the teaching profession and the wider community.

The organisation is actively recruiting volunteers ready for the 2022-23 season in the following areas:



- County representative team managers and coaches
- Treasurer
- Schools competition team (helping to run the Surrey schools competitions)

This is an opportunity to meet and work alongside others passionate about growing football opportunities for schools and pupils across Surrey and the surrounding areas.

For further details on volunteering please visit the association website <https://surreyschoolsfa.co.uk> or contact the secretary at secretary@surreyschoolsfa.co.uk.



Summer Holiday Workshops

Esher, All Saints Weston Church

16th August, 10.30am-2.30pm

Chocoholics cooking workshop

Milk, white, a little dark chocolate - all cooked into cakes, cookies and our savoury treat!

17th August, 10.30am-2.30pm

Beach balls 'n' baking workshop

Burgers, baking and biscuits with lots of decorating

18th August, 10.30am-2.30pm

Pizzas, pasta and pastels workshop

Learn how to make your own pasta, watch our pizza dough bubble up to delicious-ness and bake sweet-pizza chocolate cookies

Greenfields School, Woking

31st August, 10.30am-2.30pm

Pizzas, pasta and pastels workshop

Learn how to make your own pasta, watch our pizza dough bubble up to delicious-ness and bake sweet-pizza chocolate cookies

1st September, 10.30am-2.30pm

Chocoholics cooking workshop

Milk, white, a little dark chocolate - all cooked into cakes, cookies and our savoury treat!

£48 or £95 for 2 places. Includes lunch.

Early bird offer, £2 off until 31/7

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Child Protection and Safeguarding

Parents' Ultimate Guide to TikTok (Commonsense Media)

<https://www.commonsensemedia.org/articles/parents-ultimate-guide-to-tiktok>

TikTok app safety – What parents need to know (Internet Matters)

<https://www.internetmatters.org/hub/esafety-news/tik-tok-app-safety-what-parents-need-to-know/>

Sun Safety

Teenage Cancer Trust Resources

<https://www.teenagecancertrust.org/support-us/spread-word/shunburn-stay-safe-sun>

Tips for Staying Safe in the Sun (CBeebies)

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/watch/sun-safety-for-kids>

Water Safety

Royal Life Saving Society UK (RLSS UK)

<https://www.rlss.org.uk/pages/category/drowning-prevention-week-campaign>

Canal and River Trust - Summer water safety

<https://canalrivertrust.org.uk/enjoy-the-waterways/safety-on-our-waterways/summer-water-safety>

Water Safety at the beach

<https://www.rlss.org.uk/water-safety-at-the-beach>

Derbyshire Fire & Rescue

<http://www.derbys-fire.gov.uk/keeping-safe/keeping-safe-outdoors/water-safety-code/>

RNLI – Float to Live

<https://rnli.org/pages/ppc/beach-safety/beach-safe-float>

RNLI – Activity sheets and posters

<https://rnli.org/youth-education/education-resources/activity-sheets-and-posters>

Colin the Coastguard

<https://colinthecoastguard.com/>

National Water Safety Signs – do you know what these mean?

http://www.cheshirefire.gov.uk/Assets/watersafety_signs.pdf

Reservoir safety (United Utilities)

Particularly good package for use with teenagers


<https://www.unitedutilities.com/help-and-support/about-us/recreation-sites/reservoir-safety/>

Open Water Education Network

<https://owen7.org.uk/water-safety-tips>

Today really has been a 'Fantastic Friday' - a huge thank you to Mrs Mazur and Mrs Thomson for their organisation and to all the staff and helpers to make it such a memorable day.

Don't forget to follow us on Twitter @bushyhilljs and get in touch if you have any questions, comments or feedback.



Mrs L. Dormer
Head Teacher

