

# NEWSLETTER

April 2025



**RETURN TO SCHOOL TUESDAY 22ND APRIL**

## MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

**A**s we reach the end of another fantastic term, I want to take this opportunity to reflect on the many wonderful events and achievements that have taken place over the past few months. It has been an incredibly busy and rewarding time for our school community, and I extend my heartfelt thanks to our staff, parents, and, most importantly, our children for making it so special.

Our children have shown remarkable teamwork and dedication in various sporting events this term. Both our football and netball teams demonstrated incredible skill and sportsmanship, making us all proud. Well done to all those who took part and represented our school with such enthusiasm!

Book Week was a highlight of the term, with a visit from the talented author Eve Morris Wersocki inspiring our young readers. Parents were also invited to our reading recital assemblies, where children showcased their developing love for literature. Of course, World Book Day was a spectacular event, with some of the most creative and imaginative costumes we have ever seen!

Our very own book shop was also a fantastic success, giving children the opportunity to explore and purchase new books to enjoy at home. Thank you to everyone who contributed to making these literary events so special.

Years 3, 4, 5, and 6 were thrilled to go on a trip to the cinema, an experience that was both fun and educational. We also had the privilege of welcoming the London Fire Brigade, who provided an informative and engaging visit, teaching our children about fire safety and the important work that firefighters do.

Our Science in Schools event sparked curiosity and excitement, as children engaged in hands-on experiments and fascinating discoveries. The term also saw our talented dancers take the stage at the Millfield Theatre's Dance Festival, where they truly shone. Their hard work and passion were evident, and we are incredibly proud of their achievements.

We were delighted to celebrate MyGym London's 1st-year anniversary, marking a milestone for a wonderful facility that continues to support our community's fitness and well-being.

None of these fantastic opportunities would have been possible without the dedication of our incredible staff, who work tirelessly to provide enriching experiences for our children. A huge thank you to all our parents and carers for your ongoing support, whether attending events, helping with costumes, or encouraging your children every step of the way. Your partnership is invaluable in making our school such a special place.

Finally, we welcome back Miss Knightley on her return from maternity leave and who will continue as class teacher for Scarlet Class. Sadly we say goodbye to Miss Neo and thank her for all her hard work over the past year and wish her all the best for the future.

Wishing you all a restful and enjoyable break. We look forward to welcoming you back next term for more exciting learning and experiences!

*Anna Theodosiou*



### Easter Holidays

**7th—18th April**

### Bank Holiday

**(school closed)**

**Monday 21st April**

### Return to School

**Tuesday 22nd April**

### Bank Holiday

**(school closed)**

**Monday 5th May**

### Half term

**26th—30th May**

### INSET Day

**(school closed)**

**Monday 2nd June**

### Return to school

**Tuesday 3rd June**

### Sports Day—Years 1-6

**(school closed)**

**Friday 27th June**

### Last day of term for Nursery

**Monday 21st July**

### Last day of term for

**Reception to Year 6**

**Tuesday 22nd July**

**(1.30pm finish)**



# Important Dates and INFORMATION

**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**FRIDAY 27TH JUNE 2025**  
(Years 1 to 6)



## YEAR 6 IMPORTANT DATES

16th-18th June

Residential trip to Tolmers

16th July

2.15pm Yr6 Leavers' Show

21st July

5.30-7.00pm Yr6 Leavers' Disco



**YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR NURSERY  
TASTER DAY ON**

**WEDNESDAY 23RD APRIL  
11.00—11.30AM**

You will be able to try delicious samples from  
our summer menu.

Please sign in at Reception for 10.50am



**THURSDAY  
5TH JUNE**



Amethyst Class will begin swimming lessons on:

**Thursday 1st May**

Please look out for letters which will be sent home

**INSET DAYS 2025**  
(School closed)

2nd June  
1st & 2nd September  
3rd November  
19th December



**Friday 27th June**

**Years 1 to 6**

Bush Hill Park Sports Day is almost upon us and this year we are very excited to be hosting our celebration of sport once again at Lee Valley Athletics Centre on **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June**. On this **day** the school will be **CLOSED** and all children from Years 1 to 6 will be taking part and must attend. (**Nursery and Reception classes will also be closed on this day**, they will be having their own sports festival at a later date - details to follow)

**On this day** we require parents and carers to bring their children directly to the Athletics Centre, 61 Meridian Way, Edmonton N9 0AR. **Children must arrive by 9.00am**. The Centre can be reached by the W8, 192 or 191 buses. There is also plenty of parking available at the centre. Children should arrive in school PE kits, consisting of white T-shirts, green or black shorts and/or tracksuit bottoms. Children should also wear trainers. The event is indoors and we are pleased that we are able to use all of the facilities including the running track. Children also need to bring a healthy packed lunch with them and an extra bottle of water, or if required will be provided with a FSM packed lunch, consisting of a sandwich, cake and a piece of fruit (**please ensure you provide a drink as no drinks are included**).

Parental support means so much to us and it would be absolutely brilliant if as many parents and carers are able to stay and support not only their child, but the school and community as a whole. Come along, bring a picnic and join in the fun! There will be a parent's race too, so please come suitably dressed if you wish to take part.

**The event will finish at 2.30pm** and children will need to be collected promptly at this time from the Athletics Centre. We hope that this event will be a day to remember and we thank you for your continued support.





A huge well done to our amazing dance team who lit up the stage with their performance of 'Bring it On!' They did us so proud

**MILTFIELD**  
**THEATRE**



We are thrilled to share that some of our children were selected to take part in an exciting Community Project at Bush Hill Park!

**34Bus Collective Mural Makers** ([www.34bus.com](http://www.34bus.com)) recently secured a commission from Journeys and Places to create a mural on two bike containers used by The All Ability Cycling Club ([learn more here](#)).

As part of their outreach work, they worked with the children encouraging them to reflect on both individual and collective values, with their ideas inspiring the final mural design.

The mural is set to be installed in May, providing a wonderful opportunity for the children to leave a lasting mark on their community.



Following our recent visit from the London Fire Brigade this term, please see below information on the free 'Home Fire Safety Visits'. Anyone living in London can get free advice and smoke alarms from LFB who'll fit them into their home.

#### Free Home Fire Safety Visits

A fire can start in any room and the effects can be devastating, even a small fire in your home can lead to substantial damage and expensive repairs. The LFB want to stop fires from happening and that is why we offer free home fire safety visits to help keep you and your loved ones safe.

#### What happens during a home fire safety visit ?

Our firefighters or trained staff will visit you at home, at a time that suits you and carry out a risk assessment. They will give you advice based on your home and individual needs, this includes; information on how to **prevent** fires, the importance of smoke alarms to **detect** a fire and your **escape** plan in the event of a fire.

A visit can take up to 90 minutes or longer if needed and we will fit free smoke alarms if required.

Specialist alarms can be fitted for people who may have a delayed response to escape for example; strobe light and vibrating pad alarms for those who are deaf or hard of hearing.

#### How to book a Home Fire Safety Visit:

Freephone: 0800 028 4428  
Email: [smokealarms@london-fire.gov.uk](mailto:smokealarms@london-fire.gov.uk)  
Text /SMS: 07860 021 319

**Worried about a relative, friend or neighbour ?** Although everyone is eligible for a free home fire safety visit, some people with health problems or lifestyle behaviours can have an increased chance of a fire happening. To help you we have listed some of these examples below:

- **Increased risk factors can include:**  
Anyone that smokes; overloaded electrical sockets or poor wiring; unsafe use of candles or naked flames; previous fires or near misses; cooking left unattended; hoarding of any kind or someone who lives alone.
- **They are less able to react because of:**  
Mental health conditions such as dementia or learning difficulties; no smoke alarms are fitted or they don't work; alcohol dependency or drug misuse (prescribed or recreational); physical health issues including sensory impairments eg; hearing or sight.
- **They have a reduced ability to escape:**  
Mobility issues due to a physical disability; age-related problems or as a result of a long-term illness; escape routes are not kept clear or are blocked due to actions such as hoarding or conditions that affect decision making.

If you know anyone who has **any combination of these risk factors**, give them our details to arrange a free home fire safety visit or simply ask them if they would like you to book a visit for them.

Remember -This is not an exhaustive list, if you are unsure please contact us for extra advice.



## DO YOU HAVE A 2 YEAR OLD?

### Free funding available

You may be eligible for 15 hours per week, for 38 weeks a year of early education and childcare funding in our Nursery.

### Scan to apply



Submit the form to the Informed Families Team the term before your child turns 2, or if they are 2 years old already.

### Text TERRIFIC to 81025

Informed Families will respond with a text message requesting the information to process your application.

Contact Informed Families on 0800 694 1066 or email [if@enfield.gov.uk](mailto:if@enfield.gov.uk)

## YOU COULD BE ELIGIBLE

### Scan to check your eligibility



Check your eligibility before you apply. It may take up to 5 working days to receive the outcome of your application.



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You are invited to our Nursery Taster Day



**Healthy school lunches are available for  
nursery pupils every day!**

**We look forward to seeing you at our Taster Day on  
Wednesday 23 April  
at Bush Hill Park Primary School**

**11 am -11.30 am**

**Please sign in at Reception for 10.50 am**

We'll serve delicious samples from our current Spring/Summer menu, so you get an idea of the fresh, nutritious and great value food we make for pupils on site. Come along to see for yourselves and ask our Catering Team any questions you may have.

For the current full menu choices see  
[www.bushhillpark.enfield.sch.uk/parents/school-meals](http://www.bushhillpark.enfield.sch.uk/parents/school-meals).



# KIDS EAT OUT FOR LESS

## Asda

Children can enjoy meals for just £1 throughout the year at over 205 Asda Cafés, with no requirement to purchase an adult meal or meet a minimum spend. The menu includes hot dishes like penne pasta with meatballs and chicken nuggets, and each child also receives a complimentary piece of fruit. Additionally, free Ella's baby food pouches are available for kids under 18

## Dunelm

Head to the Pausa café located in **Dunelm** stores and enjoy a complimentary kids' meal with a £4 purchase. This deal is available every day, all day. Chil-

## Morrisons

Children can enjoy complimentary meals every day at Morrisons cafés when an adult purchases a meal priced over £5. The offer includes a main dish, a side, vegetables, and a drink.

## Sainsbury's

Kids eat for £1 in Sainsbury's cafés when you purchase a hot adult's meal. The offer is available year round from 11.30am. Choose from hot meals such as fish fingers or pizza, or go for a lunch bag containing sandwiches, fruit, a drink and snacks.



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# Easter Holiday CAMP

**FREE HAF PLACES AVAILABLE**  
FOR ELIGIBLE FAMILIES

Get ready for a fun filled Easter holiday

With a range of Exciting Activities including, Outdoor Games, Archery, Football, Arts & crafts, free play, Easter Egg Hunt and many more...

[CLICK HERE >](#) or Scan to Book!



**Bush Hill Park Primary School**  
Main Avenue,  
EN1 1DS

Time:  
10am - 2.30pm

The advertisement features a light blue background. On the left, there is a vertical collage of images: a cartoon rabbit with colorful Easter eggs, a group of children and adults posing outdoors, and a group of children playing in a school hall. On the right, there are several Easter eggs. The text is centered and uses a mix of bold and regular fonts. A button with a right-pointing arrow is next to the text 'CLICK HERE >'. A QR code is positioned below the button. The school name and address are enclosed in a circular graphic, and the time is in a rectangular box at the bottom right.



**Dear Parents/Carers**

### **UNIFORM EXPECTATIONS**

As we continue to promote high standards across our school, we would like to take this opportunity to remind families of our school uniform expectations.

Our uniform is an important part of our school's identity. It helps to create a sense of belonging, pride, and equality among all pupils. Our uniform is smart and is practical for daily activities. We want our children to be recognised in the wider community and to be proud of wearing the Bush Hill Park School uniform. To ensure consistency, we kindly ask for your support in making sure that your child comes to school in the correct uniform each day.

#### **Uniform Expectations**

- Green jumper (either with logo or plain), white polo shirt and smart grey trousers, skirts, shorts or pinafores. Leggings are not appropriate for school uniform.
- Comfortable and supportive black school shoes or plain black trainers only.
- On your child's PE day they should come to school in plain black joggers or shorts (in the summer term) and a plain green sweatshirt. PE trainers must be plain white or black.

As part of our uniform expectations, we ask that children avoid dyed, streaked or colourful patterns in hair and that hair remains natural in colour and does not include any bold colours. Where hair is styled or coloured this should be as close to natural hair colours for that child as possible. To be clear, this is only with reference to bold and bright colours used as dye or extensions within a child's hair and is not to determine specific hairstyles. All hair accessories should represent the school colours or be neutral in colour.

Please also be reminded that pupils are not permitted to wear nail varnish unless it is clear and that make-up is not permitted in school and children will be asked to remove this if worn. Any medical exemptions will be incorporated and discussed with staff members.

Thank you for your continued cooperation in upholding our school's high standards. Your support ensures that all children feel part of our school community and can focus fully on their learning.

Best wishes

Mrs Munns  
Deputy Headteacher

Reminder to our Parents/Carer's of our Policy concerning leave during term time:

## **SCHOOL ATTENDANCE REMINDER—Re: Leave of Absence**

In line with the local government's new policy, all schools must send out this letter.

We would like to take this opportunity to remind you of our expectations for attendance in the new academic year. At Bush Hill Park, we strive to ensure that all students continue a structured timetable to support the next stage in their academic and social development. We believe this supports their learning and attainment, giving them the best opportunity to achieve their full potential.

Bush Hill Park will not normally authorise any leave of absence, taken between 1 September 2024 and 22 July 2025 unless there are exceptional circumstances. If your child is absent from school without approval during this academic year you may be liable for a Penalty Notice. This will be applied for by the school and issued by the Local Authority.

The Penalty Notice fine is issued per parent per child. The first penalty notice issued will be charged at £160 if paid within 28 days of the date shown on the Penalty Notice. This will be reduced to £80 if paid within 21 days (this includes weekends).

If a second penalty notice is issued to the same parent in respect of the same child, the charge will be at a flat rate of £160 if paid within 28 days.

The Local Authority does not accept late, or part payments and no reminders will be sent. If a penalty notice issued is not paid within the time limits (as shown above), the Local Authority may make the decision to refer the matter to the Magistrates court for prosecution under the Education Act 1996 for the original offence of failing to ensure your child attends school regularly.

**Should you fail to request or seek approval for any leave of absence, and/or fail to provide evidence (if requested) to support the absence, a penalty notice may be issued without further notice.**

If you would like to discuss this matter please contact Mrs Collier, School Attendance Officer.



# Attendance Matters



# BHP WRAP

*flexible options*

## 7.50 AM BREAKFAST CLUB

We have a range of food served until 8.30 am. It's a great way for pupils to enjoy a healthy start to the day with various fun activities packed in. Booking is flexible and your child can drop in whenever it suits you as long as payment is made at the start.



£2 PER SESSION

## 3.15 PM AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Starting at 3.15 pm and ending at 6.00 pm, pupils enjoy light refreshments and are engaged in fun activities, sports and games, homework club, and arts and crafts. Choose whichever days suit you.



£8 PER SESSION

## WRAPAROUND

Choose Breakfast Club + After School Club for worry-free booking to secure a discount. Twice the fun for less! More than 1 child? Ask about our sibling discount.



£9.70 PER DAY



**PREBOOK AND PAY ON ARBOR**  
**WRAP@BUSHHILLPARK.ENFIELD.SCH.UK**





## **CAPITAL GIRLS ELITE DEVELOPMENT**

GIRLS DEVELOPMENT CENTRE  
WSL ACADEMY COACHES  
STRENGTH & CONDITIONING  
NUTRITION SUPPORT

**SCAN THE CODE BELOW FOR MORE INFO  
AND BOOK YOUR TRIAL!**



**DETAIL - CONFIDENCE - COMPETITION**

# NURSERY WRAP

## *flexible options*

**7.50 AM**

Breakfast Club starts with a range of healthy food served until 8.30 am. Your child will enjoy fun-packed activities, and you'll enjoy flexible booking.

**£3.50 PER SESSION**

**3.30 PM**

After School Club pupils enjoy refreshments, fun activities, games, and arts & crafts until 6 pm. Choose whichever days suit you.

**£11 PER SESSION**

**WRAP**

Breakfast Club + After School Club secures a discount. Twice the fun for less! Ask about our sibling discount.

**£14 PER DAY**



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# Keep Your Child Safe Online



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## TALK

**Talk** to your child about their internet use and safety

**Have meaningful conversations** about how they use the internet

**Praise** your child for safe online behaviours

**Welcome** your child if they want to ask you a question or tell you about a problem, even if they've done something unwise themselves

## EDUCATE

**Learn as much as you can** about games, platforms, parental controls and the benefits and risks of online activity

**Teach** your child about specific issues and concerns

**Teach** your child about safe and unsafe relationships and how to repair friendships following disagreements online

## CO-VIEW

**Co-view** your child's online activity at least 1x/week

**Interact** with your child online

**Model** appropriate online behaviour

**Co-operate** with each other to promote the well-being of all



## HOUSE RULES

**Set clear routines, rules and boundaries** ("house rules")

**Keep** to age ratings and guidance for apps, games and devices

**Restrict** online activity to daytime and communal areas

**Use** filters and parental controls

**Spend regular screen-free time** with your child



**AGE 11+**

for a basic phone or highly restricted smart phone without internet access or social media

**AGE 14+**

for a smart phone with parental controls

\*Agree a contract with your child to encourage responsible phone use

## Term Dates 2024 - 2025

<b>AUTUMN TERM 2024</b>
<b>INSET DAYS</b> Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September
<b>School starts</b> Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> September
<b>HALF TERM</b> 28 <sup>th</sup> October - 1 <sup>st</sup> November
<b>INSET DAY (School Closed)</b> Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November
<b>Term ends</b> Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December
<b>INSET DAY (School Closed)</b> Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December

<b>SPRING TERM 2025</b>
<b>School starts</b> Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January
<b>Half Term</b> 17 <sup>th</sup> - 21 <sup>st</sup> February
<b>Term ends</b> Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April

<b>SUMMER TERM 2025</b>
<b>School starts</b> Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April
<b>May Bank Holiday</b> Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> May
<b>Half Term</b> 26 <sup>th</sup> - 30 <sup>th</sup> May
<b>INSET DAY (School Closed)</b> Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June
<b>School Starts</b> Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June
<b>Whole School Sports Day</b> Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> June
<b>Term ends</b> Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July

## Term Dates 2025 - 2026

<b>AUTUMN TERM 2025</b>
<b>INSET DAYS</b> Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> September Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September
<b>School starts</b> Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September
<b>HALF TERM</b> 27 <sup>th</sup> - 31 <sup>st</sup> October
<b>INSET DAY</b> Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November
<b>Term ends</b> Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> December
<b>INSET DAY</b> Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December

<b>SPRING TERM 2026</b>
<b>School starts</b> Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> January
<b>Half Term</b> 16 <sup>th</sup> - 20 <sup>th</sup> February
<b>Term ends</b> Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March

<b>SUMMER TERM 2026</b>
<b>School starts</b> Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April
<b>May Bank Holiday</b> Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May
<b>Half Term</b> 25 <sup>th</sup> - 29 <sup>th</sup> May
<b>School Starts</b> Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June
<b>Whole School Sports Day</b> TBC
<b>Term ends</b> Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July