NEWSLETTER



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Return to school Tuesday 2nd November

Message from the Headteacher

It's hard to believe that we returned in September following a very turbulent previous academic year. It's been so lovely to see all of the children back and settled in their new year groups with their new teachers happy and at last enjoying school life with less restrictions. I would also like to give a very warm welcome to our new Nursery and Reception children who have settled in so beautifully.

Every member of this school team has so much to be proud of and I must thank each and every one of our parents and carers, families, pupils and staff who have once again shown real commitment and community spirit.

It has been delightful to welcome our families back onto our school grounds and it was a real privilege seeing everyone come together for the Macmillan Big Coffee morning last month. It really is a fulfilling and rewarding job working at Bush Hill Park Primary School and one of the highlights of this term has to be the learning around Black History month; Black History is not just celebrated in the month of October; diversity is something that is celebrated throughout the academic year at our school. However this month has certainly been full of joy, wonder and learning, ending this week with an incredible performance of Afro Beat dancing led by the talented Bellem Mambo which was so fun and amazing to watch. A huge thank you to the wonderful Miss Paula for her hard work in organising such an action packed month.

Please see our school website and Twitter to help us celebrate all the amazing learning that has taken place this term.

We are also very lucky to have such a committed team of parent volunteers who form part of FOBHPS; thank you to Rebecca and her wonderful team for organising the school discos where the children had a lot of fun and enjoyed dancing with their friends. I can't thank the team enough for their continuous fundraising from selling lollies in the playground last summer, serving hot chocolate this term, as well as welcoming the new Nursery and Reception children with handmade Gingerbread Men on their first day at school.

Wishing everyone a restful half term. Thank you all so much for your continued support and look forward to what the next half term will bring. **Mrs Anna Theodosiou**

Diary Dates

Half Term

Monday 25th October to Friday 29th October

Autumn Term 2nd Half Monday 1st November School Closed Return to School Tuesday 2nd November Last day of Term

Thursday 16th December

parent survey: If you haven't yet done so, please would you kindly complete the parent survey, by clicking on the following link:

https://forms.office.com/r/ CMRc5yjTPp

SCHOOL DINNERS

The total cost of school dinners for the period 2nd November to 16th December will be **£80.59** Please inform the office if your child would like to change from school dinners to a home packed lunch.

INSET DAY

Monday 1st November (School Closed)

From the Governors

How time flies! It doesn't seem any time at all since I was writing for the newsletter at the end of the summer term and now, autumn is here. This has been a much better term with fewer interruptions and restrictions. Governors have been able to hold their meetings in school, with some still joining our meetings online, but it has been so nice to meet up again after so long.

On my visits to the school, I've seen how well the children have settled back in and are enjoying being back in school with fewer restrictions. It's great that parents and carers are now able to come into the playground to drop off and collect their children. Let's hope that infection rates don't rocket so that we have more lock-downs. It's still important that we take care and keep ourselves and others safe from the Covid virus.

A high point of the term for me was meeting two of our ex-pupils, Alexis and Kuek, who popped in on their way home from Kingsmead School. As you can see, they looked so smart in their grey suits (you

may already have seen the photos on Twitter) and they were so pleased with their progress at Kingsmead and were very appreciative and grateful for the values they had learned at Bush Hill Park School. It's always good to see and hear how our ex-students are progressing. They are a fine example for our pupils to follow.

I hope you enjoy the half term break. Take care and keep safe.

Roger Kingsnorth
Chair of Governors



PLEASE NOTE!

PE DAYS—2ND HALF AUTUMN TERM

Year 1	Mondays and Wednesdays
Year 2	Mondays and Tuesdays
Year 3	Tuesdays and Wednesdays
Year 4	Tuesdays and Thursdays
Year 5	Wednesdays and Fridays
Year 6	Wednesdays and Thursdays



The School Photographer will be coming in on

THURSDAY 4TH NOVEMBER

to take individual pupil & sibling photos.

Please make sure children come to school smartly dressed in full school uniform. If your child has PE on this day, please send your child to school wearing uniform on this one occasion, and we will amend the PE timetable accordingly.



ATTENDANCE WEEK

4TH-8TH OCTOBER 2021

We would like to thank all Parents/Carers and Children who supported our Attendance Week at the beginning of October. We have battled the normal Autumn viruses for a successful week.

Hot Toast was enjoyed in the mornings.

Our next focus week is week commencing 28/02/2022







Attendance Week Winners

Well done to the top classes:

KS1: Marigold 99%

KS2: Platinum 99%

We hope you enjoyed your prizes!





A year on from our first national lockdown, we understand that many families may be facing financial difficulty, either due to historic debts or that they may be accumulating debts.

Understanding that this is a continued area of concern in our local community, we would like to remind you of the **free debt advice** we offer - supported by Community Money Advice, as well as being authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA).

Enfield Debt Centre is run in conjunction with North Enfield Foodbank. The centre is conveniently located at the same premises as our Foodbank, at **Jubilee Central**, **2 Lumina Way**, **Enfield EN1 1FS**.

Open on **Tuesdays**, **Thursdays** and **Saturdays** from **11am-3pm** (the same times as our Foodbank), the centre offers support and advice, helping people to arrange payment plans with creditors and to manage their personal finances through budgeting. People can also be signposted to relevant organisations.

If you know of anyone who may need these services they can contact Fana, the Debt Centre Manager, by **phone on 07596 735789** or by **email** <u>info@enfielddebt.org</u>.

Face-to-face meetings can also be arranged during open hours either by Zoom or in person, by contacting Enfield Debt Centre in advance.

BUSH HILL PARK FOOD BANK

REMEMBER...if you require any support **AT ANY TIME** or if you know of someone who does, please do not hesitate to contact Sophie Smart

on s.smart@bushhillpark.enfield.sch.uk



Fun gymnastics classes for children starting
Sunday 7 November 2021 at Bush Hill Park Primary School

HUB Sports Gymnastics classes provide a fun, stimulating experience for children. Some of the physical benefits of Gymnastics classes include increased strength, flexibility, coordination and creativity. **Join the fun now!**

Ages 5 to 7 years: 10am - 10.50am

Ages 8 to 11 years: 11am - 12pm

Book a class now on https://hub-sports.class4kids.co.uk



SCHOOL ADMISSIONS



APPLYING FOR A PLACE IN RECEPTION CLASS SEPTEMBER 2022

The closing date for online applications for Reception & Nursery 2022 is the 15th January 2022. Please ensure you apply as soon as you can. Scan the QR code to download the brochure if you require further information.

YOUR GUIDE TO SECONDARY SCHOOLS IN ENFIELD SEPTEMBER 2022

Reminder to Year 6 parents/Carers; The deadline to complete your online Secondary Transfer Application 2022 for your child is the 31st October 2021.

Scan the QR code to download the brochure for further information.



CARERS WELLBEING WORKSHOPS

Online Workshops from 10:00am – 11:00am run by Enfield's Improving Access to Psychological Therapies Team

Thursday 14th October – When your worries get in the way "Practical tips on managing our worries"

Thursday 11th November – Problem solving "Strategies to solve everyday problems"

Thursday 9th December – Relaxation "Relaxation exercises to help you relax for the festive period"

To book a place call 020 8366 3677





Carers Wellbeing Workshops from 10am-11am, on 14 October, 11 November, and 9 December 2021. Run by Enfield's Improving Access to Psychological Therapies Team, you can book a place by calling 020 8366 3677 Carers Wellbeing Workshops from 10am-11am, on 14 October, 11 November, and 9 December 2021. Run by Enfield's Improving Access to Psychological Therapies Team, you can book a place by calling 020 8366 3677

You can follow FOBHPS on their Facebook
Page for up to date school information and
events.



The school Glow Disco was a great success last week. All children had an absolutely awesome time - We would like to thank our School PTA Team - Friends of Bush Hill Park School (FOBHPS) for arranging an amazing event.













THANK YOU SO MUCH
to our school community
for supporting the
Macmillan Big Coffee
Morning. You helped us
raise £184.56 towards
this AMAZING charity!

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DIARY DATES

25th—29th October	HALF TERM						
Monday 1st November	INSET DAY—SCHOOL CLOSED						
Tuesday 2nd November	RETURN TO SCHOOL						
Thursday 4th November	PHOTOGRAPHER IN—INDIVIDUAL PUPIL PHOTOS						
Wb 15th November	ANTI-BULLYING WEEK						
	Whole School Immunisation Programme—Reception to Yr6						
Monday 29th November	KS1 Borough Gymnastics at Southbury Leisure Centre						
Tuesday 30th November	Yrs 3&4 Borough Gymnastics at Southbury Leisure Centre						
	Fluoride Programme for Nursery, Reception & Year 1						
Friday 3rd December	M&M Productions (Aladdin)						
Friday 10th December	Young Shakespeare Company (Macbeth)						
Monday 13th December	KS1 Church Service						
Tuesday 14th December	KS2 Church Service						
Wednesday 15th December	Christmas Jumper Day						
,	Christmas Lunch						
	Christmas parties						
Thursday 16th December	LAST DAY OF TERM—SCHOOL FINISHES 1.30PM						
Sp	ring Term 2022						
Tuesday 4th January	INSET DAY—SCHOOL CLOSED						
Wednesday 5th January	INSET DAY—SCHOOL CLOSED						
Thursday 6th January	RETURN TO SCHOOL						
Friday 11th February	LAST DAY OF TERM—SCHOOL FINISHES 3.15PM						
14th-18th February	HALF TERM—SCHOOL CLOSED						
Monday 21st February	RETURN TO SCHOOL						
Friday 1st April	LAST DAY OF TERM—SCHOOL FINISHES 1.30PM						
4th—18th April	EASTER HOLIDAYS—SCHOOL CLOSED						
Tuesday 19th April	RETURN TO SCHOOL						

Term Dates for 2021 - 2022

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INSET DAY

Wednesday 1st September

School starts

Thursday 2nd September HALF TERM

25th - 29th October

INSET DAY

Monday 1st November

Term ends

Thursday 16th December

SPRING TERM 2022

INSET DAYS

Tuesday 4th January & Wednesday 5th January

School starts

Thursday 6th January

Half Term

14th - 18th February

Friday 1st April

SUMMER TERM 2022

School starts

Tuesday 19th April

May Bank Holiday

Monday 2nd May

Half Term

30th May - 3rd June Whole School Sports Day

T<u>hurs</u>day 23rd June

INSET DAY

Friday 24th June

Term ends

Friday 22nd July