

NEWSLETTER



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Message from the Headteacher

As we come to the end of this half term I must once again thank each and every one of our parents, carers, families, pupils and staff. Everybody has come together and shown real community spirit by being understanding and flexible whilst we tried to find the best solutions to the many challenges that we faced.

Now everyone is aware of the procedures for dropping off and collecting it seems to be running very smoothly, however for some parents we do realise that there is a longer wait and we really appreciate your patience.

Despite the restrictions and ever changing guidelines the pupils have had a very full and fun packed half term. The highlight of this half term has definitely been the month of October and celebrating Black History Month. The school community came together with the theme 'Empowerment'. Please see our school website and follow Twitter to celebrate with us and see all of the amazing learning that took place.

Website: www.bushhillpark.enfield.sch.uk

Twitter: [@Bushhillschool](https://twitter.com/Bushhillschool)

Its been a long hard challenging term with still a great deal of uncertainty, but we've made it to the end and although there have been constant changes everyone has remained committed, loyal and dedicated to the school, even under these strange circumstances.

Wishing everyone a restful half term. Thank you all so much.

Anna Theodosiou

Message from the Governors

This has been a very strange half term with the school opening up again to all pupils in what is described as the 'new normal'. I'd like to thank you all for your cooperation in dealing with the safety measures that have been put in place. I'm sure it must have been frustrating for you all at times but it is so important that we are all able to stick to the new arrangements and keep the whole school community safe.

On a positive note, it was great to welcome our new parent governor, Nnenna Urum-Eke to our meeting this week. She has introduced herself to you below. I am sure she will make a big contribution to our work as governors.

After half term, I'm sure that our lead up to Christmas will be anything but normal but I am also sure that staff will do everything they can to make it fun and exciting for the pupils as well as making sure they are learning lots!

I hope you all have a good week over the half term break.

Roger Kingsnorth (Chair of Governors)

Hi, my name is Nnenna Urum-Eke (most people call me Nena) and I am happy to be your new parent governor.



I am mum to 3 kids, aged 14, 9 and 3. My middle child, Enyi, is in Year 4. We are new to the school community - moved to the area and joined the school last year. So, most of you will not know me but I hope to change that. Like you, I want our children to have the skills and knowledge they need to become able and resilient adults. I was Chair of Governors at my son's previous school, so I know the importance of the governing body in supporting and challenging the school to achieve these outcomes.

I usually do the morning school run before heading off to work. So, if you see me hanging about the school gate, feel free to come over for a quick (socially distanced) chat about my role or the school.

REMINDERS

Yr Grp	Drop-offs and Pick-ups	Start Time	Finish time
Nursery	Old Pedestrian Gate in Main Avenue	8.30am	3.30pm
Rec.	Annexe Gate in Main Avenue	8.30am	2.45pm
Yr 1	Annexe Gate in Main Avenue	8.45am	3.00pm
Yr 2	Green Gate in Ermine Side	8.45am	3.00pm
Yr 3	Black Gate in Ermine Side	8.45am	3.00pm
Yr 4	Black Gate in Ermine Side	9.00am	3.15pm
Yr 5	Green Gate in Ermine Side	8.30am	2.45pm
Yr 6	Black Gate in Ermine Side	8.30am	2.45pm

PLEASE NOTE : On our school website www.bushhillpark.enfield.sch.uk

please refer to the section entitled **'WE'RE HERE FOR YOU'** for all relevant information related to COVID-19.



The school photographer will be visiting the school on
TUESDAY 3RD NOVEMBER 2020
 to take individual and sibling photos

PE DAYS

Please be reminded that children need to come to school in their PE kits and black trainers on their allocated PE days. See below.

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

Water Bottles

All children must bring a named water bottle as the water fountains in the playgrounds and across the school will continue to be out of use.

Personal Resources

All children must bring a pencil case to school consisting of pencils, black and blue biro, ruler, rubber and a pencil sharpener.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Should a parent or child develop Covid-19 symptoms and are tested over the half term break you **MUST** contact the school to let them know if you have tested positive. Please use the email address below so the relevant measures can be taken should closure need to take place, and to safeguard the rest of the school community.

covid19response@bushhillpark.enfield.sch.uk



Thank you to all who supported World Car Free Day on September 22nd. We were very impressed by those who walked, cycled and scooted to school. We are hopefully moving forward with our school travel plan and would love to progress to a higher level. Your help in doing this includes making as many journeys as possible by foot, cycle, scooter or public transport.

In particular active travel to school can improve all our mental health and gives us all the opportunity to share the changing seasons with our children. It also adds to our physical fitness and ability to fight off infection. Let's all keep it up!



BUSH HILL PARK FOOD BANK

Thank you to everyone for your fabulous food donations last week.

We are pleased to announce that we now have our very own food bank here at Bush Hill Park Primary School. If you require any support **AT ANY TIME** please do contact Sophie Smart on s.smart@bushhillpark.enfield.sch.uk



THANK YOU FOBHPS

Thank you to our 'Friends of Bush Hill Park' for welcoming our new Reception children with home-baked gingerbread men!



TODAY I FIGHT

Today I fight for a city with love
 Today I fight against racism
 Today I fight for young black people
 Today I fight for freedom
 Today I fight for people to belong
 Today I fight for all people
 Today I fight for people not to hate the colour of their skin
 Today I fight for black and white people to have peace
 Today I fight

By Rushain ((Amethyst Class))



Term Dates for 2020–2021

AUTUMN TERM 2020
INSET Days Thursday 3 rd September Friday 4 th September
School starts Monday 7 th September
Half Term 26 th – 30 th October
Term ends Thursday 17 th December at 1.30pm
INSET Day Friday 18 th December

SPRING TERM 2021
School starts Monday 4 th January
Half Term 15 th – 19 th February
School starts Monday 22 nd February
Term ends Thursday 1 st April at 1.30pm

SUMMER TERM 2021
School starts Monday 19 th April
Bank Holiday Monday 3 rd May
Term ends Thursday 27 th May
Half Term 28 th May – 4 th June
School starts Monday 7 th June
Whole School Sports Day Thursday 24 th June
INSET Day Friday 25 th June
Term ends Friday 23 rd July at 1.30pm