



Welcome to Bushes Primary's **June** Newsletter!



Pupil Equity Fund

Following a consultation involving pupils, parents and staff our Pupil Equity Fund (PEF) plan has been created and we are now in the process of implementing this plan. From this consultation it was clear that all stakeholders felt that people made the biggest difference. Following this, we will continue to have in place a 'PEF teacher' next session as well as other staff who will be working closely with identified pupils to raise their attainment. We will also continue to invest in Health and Wellbeing materials and training as well as software to support children's learning both in school and at home. There will be access to online resources and Family Learning Coordinators will continue to offer a variety of events aimed at strengthening our partnership approach to raising attainment. Look out for further details regarding these initiatives next session.

P6 Residential Trip



A huge thank you to Mrs Paterson, Mrs McConnell, Miss Flood, Mr Clyne & Mrs McPhee for looking after our Primary 6's on their residential trip - what a fantastic week everyone had! I was a very proud Head Teacher when I heard of the exceptional behaviour and attitude of all of our Primary 6 pupils.



Keeping in Touch

Don't forget to keep in touch with the day to day events at Bushes by visiting our website and twitter pages.

Website: <https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/re/bushes/>

Twitter: @BushesPrimary

Parent Council



All parents and carers are invited to and welcome at the last Parent Council meeting of this school session. It is scheduled for Tuesday 4th June at 6.30pm in the staff room and I look forward to seeing lots of you there.

I would like to express my gratitude to all members of our Parent Council for their hard work and dedication over the school year. They have organised a variety of events which have been hugely successful and have raised lots of money. You are a credit to our school and we are extremely lucky to have you! This money has been used to do the following:

- Subsidise school trips for every child in the school (£5 per pupil)
- Fund the P7 prom and leaving gift (High School tie)
- Repairing and maintaining trim trail in the playground
- Purchase new playground toys and equipment for all pupils to use

Your continued support of these events is crucial and we hope all of our parents will continue to do so next session.



Summer Reading Challenge 2019

Our local library staff have been telling the children how to take part in the SPACE Chase, the 2019 summer Reading Challenge. All they have to is read six library books and visit the library regularly over the summer, collecting special incentives along the way.

Please encourage your children to visit the library and sign up to see the difference the Summer Reading Challenge makes their reading skills and confidence. We will be celebrating all children who take part at the beginning of the new school year.

School Sports Day



Our annual school sports day will take place (weather permitting) on the afternoon of Tuesday 18th June. Parents and carers are invited to join us in the playground for a 1.30pm start with children from P1-P7 taking part in a variety of activities. Children will be dismissed at the usual time of 3pm



Updated Anti-Bullying Policy

I am pleased to alert you to the completion of the work that the school began in November to update our anti-bullying policy to ensure it is in line with local and national policies. The school has worked closely with Brian Donnelly of Orbis Training who has gathered and collated the views of pupils, parents and staff to help us to create a bespoke anti-bullying policy for our school. This policy is now available to view on our website <https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/re/bushes/files/2019/05/Bushes-Primary-School-Anti-bullying-Final-Version.pdf>

Primary 7 School Show **Annie**

Rehearsals are well under way for this year's Primary 7 school show – 'Annie'. The show takes place on Wednesday 12th and Thursday 13th June with a 7pm start on both nights (Doors open at 6.30pm). Letters regarding how to acquire tickets are in the process of being sent home and as always it is sure to be a fantastic event!



Primary 7 Prom and Awards Ceremony

Our annual Primary 7 prom will take place in the school hall from 7pm until 9.30pm on Wednesday 19th June.

Parents and Carers of Primary 7 pupils are invited to attend our Primary 7's Award Ceremony on Friday 28th June at 9.30am. This is always an equally exciting and emotional event as we celebrate our Primary 7's time at Bushes and look forward to moving onto High School.

Warm Weather



Hopefully we will have some sunshine in the final coming weeks of the session. I would like to remind parents that should you wish your child to wear sunscreen this should be applied to children prior to coming to school as school staff are not permitted to apply sunscreen to your child. It may also be beneficial for your child to have a hat with them to wear when they are outside.



Golden Time Resources

A huge 'Thank You' to everyone who has sent in games and activities to be added to the Golden Time resources for each class within the school. We have been overwhelmed by the response to our request for unused games and activities and they will be put to good use!

Reports



Pupil's end of year reports will be issued in the coming weeks along with a parent and pupil feedback form. We would really appreciate you taking the time to discuss the report with your child and return the feedback form to us. We value and make use of the feedback we receive.



Classes for Session 19-20

Work is well underway in the creation of classes for session 19-20 and details of these will be issued as soon as it is possible for me to do so. Children will have the opportunity to meet with their new teacher and classmates prior to the end of term.

Holidays



Our last day of session 2019-20 will be **Friday 28th June** and please note that we finish at **1pm** on this day. Only children in receipt of free school meals will be able to order a lunch on this day. Children are welcome to bring a packed lunch if they wish.

The school will reopen for session 2019-20 on **Thursday 15th August**.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of you a healthy and happy summer, hopefully with lots of sunshine!

Yours sincerely

Craig McCrorie