



Welcome back to what is always a very busy half-term! It was great to see the children looking so smart this morning in their winter uniforms.

Every year we send in a report to maintain our **Healthy Schools** award and I am delighted to say that we have maintained our Healthy Schools status. The awarding body said:

*"As a school you clearly prioritise wellbeing and have developed a rich wealth of activities and partnerships to help ensure a broad and purposeful curriculum and beyond."*

*"A highly impressive, enthusiastic and thorough review which is focused and clear."*

Thank you to Mrs Aslam-Sher, Miss Charman and Mrs Marsden for completing the review.

Your **harvest gifts** were very gratefully received by the team at the Merrow Food Bank who do excellent work to support those in our community in need of extra support. Thank you for your generosity.



## **Staff news**

I would like to say a big **thank you** and goodbye to Mrs Emma Sherry and Miss Sophy Lawrence who are moving on to pastures new this month. This term we welcome Mrs Dimpal Kotecha, Mrs Debbie Watson, Mr Stuart McCardle and Miss Sarah McNamee to the LSA team.

## Class Zone

On **Egyptian Day** we had lots of fun. These are some of the things we did. We all dressed up as Pharaohs, Mummies and Egyptologists. In the morning we learnt how to dance like an Egyptian and how to measure using Royal Cubits and Fingers.

In the afternoon we were shown how to mummify a Pharaoh! First they broke the nose and hooked out the brain, pulling it through the nose (we felt disgusted). After that they made a cut on the left hand side and pulled out all the internal organs except for the heart which they left in.

The day ended with a celebration parade for the funeral of Tutankhamun.

*By Holly, Ayla and Connor (Jays and Doves)*



**Viking Day** was amazing! The Viking man was very helpful in making us understand a bit more about Viking life. He brought lots of artefacts along, some of them were over 1000 years old. We saw some ice skates pieced together with animal horn. We even saw some 22 carat gold! The Quiz he did was very educational and we enjoyed playing his game called 'Fox and Geese'.

*Kestrels and Falcons*







Eagles spent the week before half term completing their bikeability course. We brought our bikes into school for the week and learnt many skills to ensure we are safe on our bikes. These skills included indicating before turning, how to use roundabouts and bike maintenance. We now feel really confident about riding our bikes on the road!

## Royal Grammar School Book Festival

Eagles went on a trip to the Royal Grammar School to see an author called Rob Lloyd-Jones, studied Egyptology at university, and has used his knowledge and enthusiasm for the subject to create Jake Atlas and the Tomb of the Emerald Snake in which Jake Atlas, his sister Pan and their archaeologist parents become involved in a dangerous adventure. The children were enthralled by Rob and the adventures he has written about. Miss Shepherd would like to give a huge thanks to all of the parents, who kindly ferried the children to and from the Royal Grammar School.

## PSA



Thank you to everyone who took part in the PSA Quiz Night on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October. We made an amazing **£789.85**, with the bar and fish and chips making £392.85 (up from £310 last year), heads and tails game £124 and the auction £273. The evening was great fun so thank you to the organisers.

## From the Office



The Cycle Training Team at Surrey County Council are currently recruiting for Cycling Instructors. Please click on the link below for full details:

Link - <https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/jobs> and search for "Cycling Instructor".



A reminder to parents that we have **poppies** in the school office. We also have friendship bracelets and rulers for a suggested donation of £1 as well as wristbands and reflectors for 50p, all containing the poppy motif. If your child would like one of these items or a poppy in return for a donation we would be grateful if you would come to the office **after school**, as it is very busy in the mornings. These items will be available until Friday 10<sup>th</sup>

November or until supplies run out.

The next chance to donate blood in Guildford is on Thursday 2nd November from 2.15 to 4.30pm and 5.20 to 8.00pm at the United Reformed Church, 4B Southway, Guildford. To make an appointment call 0300 123 23 23.



Do you have any old duvet covers, pillow cases or blankets? If so the **Hydestile Wildlife Rescue Centre** would very much appreciate them. Apparently they come in very handy when rescuing hedgehogs and the like. They will be visiting the Reception children on Thursday so if you have any to donate please bring them to the Wrens/Puffins classroom. Thank you!

# **Bushy Hill Junior School Fireworks Extravaganza!**



**Thursday  
3<sup>rd</sup> November**

**Gates open 6pm. Please arrive before 7pm  
when we will need to close the gates.  
Please park considerately. No sparklers thank you.**

**Hot dogs, soup, popcorn, mulled wine, beer,  
soft drinks and glow sticks will be on sale.**

**Adults £6  
Children £4  
Under 2s free**