Bidford on Avon Church of England Primary School



NEWSLETTER 26 - 26th March 2021

Dear Parents, Pupils & Governors,

<u>Three Little Pigs</u> - This week the children in Reception have been enjoying the story of the Three Little Pigs. The story was brought to life when the characters in the story came to visit us in our outdoor area! The children used story language to help retell the tale and there was great excitement when the wolf made her appearance out of forest school. At the end of our story, the wolf made friends with the pigs and said sorry for blowing the houses down.

<u>Bikeability</u>- - Several of our Year 6 pupils have now completed their Bikeability course. It is designed to give children confidence to ride their bikes on today's roads. Children were taught to ride a bike to National Standards and were introduced to cycling as an everyday, fun, healthy activity and an alternative mode of transport.

<u>Easter Celebrations</u> – We have commenced our Easter celebrations this week with a virtual collective worship about Palm Sunday from Sarah Folkes of St Matthews Church. Palm Sunday marks the first day of Holy Week and commemorates Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem where the crowd scattered palm leaves in front of him.

<u>KS1 Reading Books</u> – Reading books for children in Year 1 and 2 will be sent home on Thursday next week so that pupils will have their books over the Easter break. After the holiday, books should be returned on Fridays as normal. If you have any school books still at home from lockdown please return them next week.

<u>Parking</u> – There was a near miss accident outside school today as a result of inappropriate and inconsiderate parking. We have advised that the incident be reported to the Police. Do not park over driveways or junctions; there is plenty of parking space in the carpark by the Fire Station only a short walk from school.

<u>Covid Awareness</u> - If you or any member of your family have a PCR test, then you all need to isolate until you receive a negative result. Siblings of children awaiting a test result <u>must not</u> come into school. If your child receives a <u>negative Covid-19 test</u> result, contact the office on 01789 773201 before sending your child back to school. If your child receives a <u>positive Covid-19 test</u> result, contact the school office. If a <u>positive result</u> is received outside of school hours (including during the weekend and school holidays), leave a message on the school answerphone and send a text to 07591 541444 immediately. We will contact you to confirm the next steps. Please do not use this number for any other messages.

<u>Teacher Training Days</u> – School will be closed to pupils for staff training on the following dates:

- Fri 28th May (half term break is Mon 31st May Fri 4th June)
- Weds 21st July (the last day of this academic year will be on Tues 20th July)
- Thurs 2nd & Fri 3rd Sept (new term will start on Mon 6th Sept)

<u>Book of the Week</u> – Children in Mrs Walsh's class have been reading 'Tom Crean's Rabbit' by Meredith Hooper. It is very cold in Antarctica, and Tom the sailor is looking for a quiet and cozy place for his pet rabbit to have her babies. From high in the rigging to down in the hold aboard the Terra Nova, the crewman takes readers all through the ship while he searches for a spot where his rabbit can make her nest.

Mr A Simms