Bidford on Avon Church of England Primary School



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Dear Parents, Pupils & Governors,

<u>Gardening</u> – The EYFS team were busy over the Easter break preparing their garden area for growing a variety of plants. This week the children have planted lettuce, carrot, radish and sunflower seeds. They have also planted some pansies, strawberry plants, various herbs and some potatoes. We are looking forward to seeing how they all grow.

<u>Amazon Rainforest</u> – The children in Miss Eyles' class have been making scale drawings of the layers of the Amazon rainforest - the emergent layer, the canopy, the understory and the forest floor. Each layer has its own unique plant and animal species interacting with the ecosystem around them. Pupils have written poems inspired by the rainforest.

<u>New Reception</u> – If your child has been offered a Reception place in September, please ensure you accept the offer from WCC Admissions.

<u>School Uniform</u> - Please send in any good quality uniform that you no longer require for a BSA sale later this term.

<u>School Crossing Patrol</u> – Mrs Hunt has noticed some children crossing between parked cars, please use the crossing patrol to ensure the safety of your child.

<u>Covid Awareness</u> –

- We are pleased that the rates of Covid transmission in the community are dropping but we need to ensure we continue to follow Government guidance and stay safe in school this term. Thank you for your ongoing support in continuing to arrive promptly at drop off and collection times, wearing face coverings and staying two meters apart. Warwickshire County Council have provided a return to school video to remind us of how to stay safe, reinforcing the importance of the current guidance and how families can be testing regularly at home to help prevent the spread of the virus in school and the local community, please go to https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zx0tgpZ4VWk to watch the video.
- If your child receives a <u>positive Covid-19 test</u> result outside of school hours, please 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. If your child receives a <u>negative Covid-19</u> <u>test</u> result please contact the office on 01789 773201 before sending your child back to school.
- For the latest Coronavirus Government advice for parents, please follow this link.

<u>Class Photos</u> – Some classes had their photos taken today and the rest of the school's will be taken on Friday 7th May. If your child has PE or Forest School on this day please send your child into school in their uniform and bring their kit in a bag to change into.

Teacher Training Days – 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> – Reception have been reading 'Oliver's Vegetables' by Vivian French. Do you like chips? Oliver does. In fact, he won't eat anything else - until he plays a game with his grandpa.....!

Mr A Simms