

Bidford on Avon Church of England Primary School



NEWSLETTER 23 – 11th March 2022

Dear Parents, Pupils & Governors,

Football News – Both our Girls and Boys teams have recently played Tanworth in Arden School and the team captains have written the match reports:

- *Sam's Report* – 'The performance was very good and we managed to come out with a win. We won 3-1 with Tom getting a goal and Archie getting two. Man of the Match was given to Tom.'
- *Talullah's Report* – 'Both teams played well and at half time the score was 1-1 with our goal scored by Tallulah. Unfortunately the game ended with a 4-1 victory to Tanworth girls. For her outstanding effort and perseverance the captain awarded Lily with Lady of the Match. All of our Bidford girls would like to say a big thank you to Mr Isherwood and Mrs Moore for their encouragement throughout the game.'

KS1 Health Topic - To launch their new topic about Health, children in Year 1 and 2 had a visit from St John's Ambulance. The children learnt about First Aid with Mr Williams who also explained to pupils about how to phone the emergency services. The children were then invited to have a look around inside the ambulance. The Reception children also managed to sneak a look inside the ambulance while KS1 were not looking!

Science –

- Children in Years 3 & 4 have been producing mind maps about their new topic, States of Matter. The children have researched different states of matter and written about examples of solids, liquids and gases outlining their properties.
- Year 5 & 6 pupils have been learning about the importance of taking medicinal drugs safely and understanding why exercise is important for our health. They have also been finding out about the main parts of the human circulatory system.

Tudor Topic – Children in Year 4 have become fashion designers this week, designing, making and sewing their own Tudor purse. They also wrote a persuasive letter to Pope Clement requesting that Henry have a divorce from Catherine of Aragon. They tea-stained their paper to make it look aged and signed Henry's name with a quill and ink.

Ukraine – Thank you to everybody who so generously donated items for the Ukrainian refugees. By Thursday we collected enough to fill 5 pallets which will soon be on its way. Today's donations will soon be following in the next shipment.

Cooking Club – This week Cooking Club made banana & chocolate muffins using fair trade ingredients and they were delicious! We would like to thank Co-op for donating the ingredients each week. All of our cooking club recipes are on our school website.

Clubs Update –

- There will be no Year 5&6 Boys Football Club on Wednesday 16th March.
- The Year 6 Thursday Maths Club has now finished.

Reminders

- PGL – The March payment of £25 is due by 13th March, please make a payment online or if there is a problem please make an appointment to discuss this with me in confidence.
- Y4 Swimming – Payments for this term are now due, please make a payment online.

Changes to PE Sessions -

- Sports Enrichment Day for Years 5 & 6 will be on Fri 18th March so please send your child into school in their PE kit on that days.
- This will result in the following Changes to PE sessions - **Mrs Mills'** class will have PE on Mon 14th March. **Mr Thackway's** class will have PE on Thurs 17th March (and not 14th March).
- There will be a Teacher Training Day on Fri 27th May.

Covid Arrangements

- This week we have had a significant increase of covid infections in school. Please help us to limit further spread by wearing a face covering while on the school site and maintain social distancing wherever possible. Our staff will continue to wear masks in corridors and communal areas and we ask that **ALL** visitors that come into the school building **wear a face covering**.
- If your child is unwell, they should remain at home until they are well enough to return. If your child becomes ill whilst at school, you will be asked to collect them. If they have symptoms of Covid-19 they should remain at home and take a test. If your child has a positive test, they can return to school following 2 consecutive negative tests from day 5.
- If your child receives a positive Covid-19 test 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 negative Covid-19 test result, please contact the office on 01789 773201 before sending your child back to school.

Book of the Week – Reception children have been reading – “Polar Bear, Polar Bear, What Do You Hear” by Eric Carle. The book aims to help children identify wild animals (from the zoo) and the noises they make. It features a number of wild animals including a polar bear, a lion, a hippopotamus, a flamingo, a zebra and a boa constrictor.

Mr A Simms

The latest from Bidford School Association...

Well what can we say?! What a fantastic start to our fundraising for 2022!!

A Huge thank you to all that took part in our 'Celebrating 2 for 2022' challenge, there were some brilliant ideas - from doing a daily video, learning different languages, doing chores, cake sales, timed activities and so many more! – Every child that took part excelled themselves and we are super proud of you!

You raised a massive **£3001.06!!!!**

This is going to be put towards a new climbing structure for the KS1 playground to ensure that all children in reception, KS1 and KS2 have climbing equipment! Watch this space in the coming months!! There were children from every class that took part, but two classes in particular took a strong lead as top fundraisers!! We are pleased to announce that **Year 1 Mrs Bond's** class was the top fundraising class raising a whopping **£626!!!!** They were closely followed by **Year 3/4 Miss Sheehan's** class who raised an equally brilliant amount of **£612.44!!** Super well done to the children in these classes who raised these amounts!! There is a treat being organised within the school day for you!!

3rd was Year 3 Mr. Thackway's class with £382.12 followed by:

Year 1/2 Mrs. Hudson's raised £287.02

Year 4 Miss. Drissell's class raised £251.72

Reception Mrs. Roberts' raised £251.50

Year 5/6 Mrs. Satchwell's raised £146.46

Year 6 Mrs. Mills' raised £122.42

Year 5 Miss. Powell's raised £113.72

Year 2 Mrs. Walsh's raised £112.44

Reception Mrs. Ellwood's raised £95.22

A valiant effort from every child. Thank you to parents for supporting them through their challenges.

Certificates will be presented to all children who took part in next week's assembly!!



If you are happy for pictures of your child's fundraising efforts to be used on our Facebook page we would love to show everyone what they got up to! Please let us know via our page '*Bidford School BSA*' or through the office.

Look out for more events being planned soon!! If you would like to be a part of planning and ideas to help raise funds for our school please get in touch! The BSA is always looking for new members!!! This year we plan to get our events back on track and you could be a part of it!

Many Thanks, from a very proud and happy BSA team!!

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