

Bidford on Avon Church of England Primary School



NEWSLETTER 3 – 23rd September 2022

School Values – Each term we promote a theme focusing on the values and character attributes that support our children in their learning and their life both within school and the wider community. This term our focus is on compassion and courage and we will be exploring these themes within the curriculum and in collective worship.

Romans Topic – Children in Years 3 and 4 class have started their Romans topic. They have been finding out about Romulus and Remus, the twin brothers whose story tells of the events that led to the founding of the city of Rome and the Roman Kingdom.

Literacy – Inspired by our book of the week, pupils in Mr Plumbe's class have written their own story about what might happen if a wild animal came to their house for tea. Children came up with brilliant ideas of what mischief a monkey could make if they came to tea!

PE Sessions – Due to our PGL trip next week, there will be a few changes to PE sessions and children should wear their PE kit to school on their PE day:

- Mrs Mills' class will have PE on Mon 26th Oct.
- There will be no swimming on Weds 28th Oct and Miss Drissell's and Mrs Satchwell's classes will have a PE session instead. There will be an extra swimming session on 30th Nov.
- Miss Powell's class and any Year 6 children not at PGL will have PE on Thurs 29th Oct.

Harvest – We will be holding our Harvest Festival on Thurs 6th Oct and parents are welcome to attend. Years 1 and 2 will be 9.15-9.45am, Years 3 to 6 will be 10.00-10.30am. We would be grateful for donations of produce which can be sent into school with the children on the morning. Our Year 5 children will be selling the produce after school to raise money for Water Aid and grocery items will be donated to the Food Bank.

Reminders

- If you still have not return your child's *Data Collection Sheet*, please do so on Monday. It is important that we have up to date information about emergency contacts and medical conditions.
- There is no *parking for parents* on the school site during drop off and pick up times. Please use the car park in Wards Lane, behind the Fire Station.

School Admissions – If you have a child moving to Secondary school from September 2023 applications need to be made by 31st Oct 2022, you may find the following information from School Admissions helpful:

- Parent guide - providing guidance to parents to help decide and apply for a school place
<https://api.warwickshire.gov.uk/documents/WCCC-1980322935-2186>
- Video animation for parents <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V7yVvgN9tAs>

Diary Dates -

- *School Open Evenings* for prospective parents for Reception 2023 will be held on Tues 18th & Weds 19th Oct and Tues 8th Nov between 5.30pm and 6.30pm. Please book an appointment on 01789 773201.
- *Parents Evenings* will be held on Tues 11th Oct 4-7pm and Thurs 13th Oct 4-7pm. Mrs Mills' times will be 12th Oct 4-7.30pm and 13th Oct 4-6.30pm. Details of how to book will be sent out closer to the time. Mrs Satchwell's sessions will be on Tues 27th and Thurs 29th Sept – an email has been sent this week with details on how to book.
- School will be closed to pupils for *Teacher Training Days* on Fri 21st and Mon 31st Oct.

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Book of the Week – Year 1 and 2 are reading 'The Tiger Who Came to Tea' by Judith Kerr. The doorbell rings just as Sophie and her mummy are sitting down to tea. Who could it possibly be? What they certainly don't expect to see at the door is a big furry, stripy tiger! The magic begins at teatime!

Mr A Simms

The latest from



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BIDFORD SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

Happy Friday!

School is now three weeks in and only a month to half term! Everyone is settling in well and enjoying their new classrooms, especially reception class, who have had a big step change from nursery.

After a very successful summer fayre, the BSA now moves up a gear into planning on ways to help fundraising for the year ahead. We will be sharing our ideas with you very soon.

We'd love parents and children to be thinking about any unused items such as books, teddies, games etc, that might be cluttering up the house - or that you've grown out of that could be donated to help us run upcoming events. We'll announce some drop off times shortly.

And finally for now, we would love support from more parents, to help us take the BSA forward! Come and share your ideas or lend a hand at an event. All support is really welcome.

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Katie, Vickie, Hayley, Adel,
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