

Bidford on Avon Church of England Primary School



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Space - The Reception children have been continuing their Space topic this week by creating their own planets using the icing spread onto biscuits. Pupils explored how to make different coloured icing using food colouring and discovering what happens when colours are mixed. They learnt how to make the icing thicker and discovered what happened when too much water was added. A group of children went to the Co-op to buy the biscuits, icing sugar and food colouring they needed for their learning.

Science – Children in Miss Powell’s & Miss Waters’ classes have been grouping and comparing objects based on their scientific properties. They used every day items including cocktail sticks, paper clips, elastic bands, jelly cubes and marshmallow to explore how they compared to each other using their scientific vocabulary: flexible, translucent, transparent, rigid, compressible, permeable, absorbent, stretchy. The children enjoyed a fantastic discussion about the scientific properties of these items.

Safer Internet Day – It was Safer Internet Day this week and the theme this year was ‘Want to talk about it? Making space for conversations about life online’. The internet plays a huge part in the lives of young people today, with many playing online games, posting on social media, and using video sharing platforms. This can be used positively, helping young people learn new skills and express themselves creatively but the use of many online platforms has also been linked to low self-esteem and anxiety. They also come with a set of safeguarding risks, from the pressure to participate in dangerous challenges to cyberbullying. It is very important to provide young people with a safe space where they can share their thoughts, feelings, and experiences about life online. <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/> is a good source of advice for children, and parents can find useful information on:

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2023/parents-and-carers>

<https://www.vodafone.co.uk/newscentre/smart-living/digital-parenting/>

Girls Football Match – Our girls football team played their first match of the season against Coughton Primary School this week. The girls played very well and had a number of chances but unfortunately lost the match.

Clubs Update – There will be **no** Y5/6 Boys Football on 15th Feb.

Dates for your Diary –

- Reception Space Day will take place on Tues 14th Feb.
- Coventry Cathedral Trip for Year 6 will be on Tues 14th Feb and Year 5 on Thurs 16th Feb. Children should wear their WW2 or 1940’s clothing and should be in school at 8.30am so that the coach can leave promptly.
- We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thurs 2nd March – children are invited to come to school dressed as their favourite book character (no superheroes or football kits please).
- There will be a Teacher Training Day on Fri 26th May when school will be closed to children.

Book of the Week – Children in Year 3 and 4 have been reading ‘How to Train Your Dragon’ by Cressida Cowell. Hiccup Horrendous Haddock the Third is a smallish Viking with a longish name. Hiccup’s father is chief of the Hairy Hooligan tribe, and as the heir to the throne, Hiccup must lead ten novices to train their dragons or be banished from the tribe forever!

Mr A Simms

The latest from ...



BIDFORD SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

Happy Friday!

We are now close to the first half term of the new year - time moves on so quickly!



Friday 17th is Doughnut Friday!

Get yourself a treat to kick start the half term, first come, first served after school

AGM & Volunteer Plea – March 29th

We will hold our AGM in March and we are looking for new committee volunteers to help us continue raising vital funds for the school and keep the BSA going.

If you feel like you can spare us time throughout the year as part of the committee and would like to know more, please get in touch and come and join us at the school on the 29th March (time to be confirmed).

Volunteers needed!
Please apply within

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Your BSA team:

Katie Ballard – Chair
Vickie Owen – Vice Chair
Hayley Stephens – Secretary
Adel Kelly – Treasurer
Jason Norledge – Communications