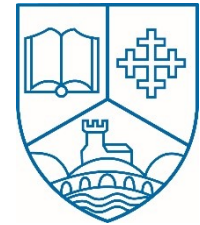


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Church of England Primary School



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Frozen Planet Day – On Monday, the children in KS1 put on their warmest clothes and got ready to go to Antarctica. Mrs Horsburgh showed them how to make a penguin from clay and the children wowed us with their final pieces! The children learnt about which foods are full of energy and made energy balls with Mrs Bond. Finally, the children carried out a science experiment about insulators with Mr Plumbe. They thought about what material would be best to make a coat from if they were visiting Antarctica. At the end of the day, the children shared their learning with the rest of the school in collective worship.

Let Girls Play – All of the girls from our football club attended an FA Football Festival on Wednesday at Stratford Town Football Club. They were split into groups and rotated around four different skill based activities and then played two games within their age groups. The girls all played well despite the fact that it snowed constantly while they were there. Congratulations to Olivia who was named as player of the match for her age group. Thank you to all adults for help with their support in this event.

Boys Football Match – The boys played a friendly match against Claverdon on Monday, but despite their best efforts they lost the game. Thank you to parents for transport and support.

Punctuality – An increasing number of children are arriving late for school. The gates and doors are open for children to come in from 8.45am and the bell goes at 8.55am. Late arrivals disrupt all of the children in class who have come in on time and delays the start of the lesson. Please ensure your child arrives at school on time.

PEGI Ratings – There is evidence that children being exposed to age inappropriate video games has a detrimental impact on their behavior and wellbeing. All computer games have a PEGI rating, determining the age of their intended audience - see [PEGI](#) for more information. The following websites give guidance on choosing age appropriate games for children:

<https://www.uswitch.com/broadband/studies/parents-guide-to-gaming/> and

<https://www.askaboutgames.com/pegi-age-ratings>

There are also PEGI rating apps where parents can search for specific games to find out their PEGI rating:

Apple - <https://apps.apple.com/gb/app/pegi-ratings/id1419963034> and Android-

https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=net.modezero.pegi_ratings&hl=en&gl=US&pli=1

Parking – We have received another complaint from a neighbour concerning parking around our school. If you have to drive your child to or from school please be considerate to our neighbours and park in the Car Park behind the Fire Station, only a short walk away.

School Dinner Menu – The new menu starts Mon 13th March with week 1. A copy has been sent home with your child this week and it will also be available on the school website.

Clubs Update – There will be NO Year 5 & 6 Boys Football on Weds 15th & 22nd March and NO Girls Football on Thurs 23rd March.

Reminder – No smoking or vaping is allowed on the school site.

Dates for your Diary –

- *Sports Enrichment Days* for Years 3 & 4 will be on 16th March, Years 5 and 6 on 23rd March and Year 1 & 2 on 30th March. Please send your child into school in their PE kit with warm clothes (joggers/hoodie) as some activities will be outside.
- There will be a *Teacher Training Day* on Fri 26th May when school will be closed to children.

Book of the Week – Mrs Horsburgh and Mrs Jones' class have been reading 'The Great Explorer' by Chris Judge. When a famous explorer goes missing in the North Pole, his son, Tom, decides he must find him. A daring adventure begins across the treacherous icy terrain of the North Pole. Will Tom be able to overcome the many challenges ahead and find his father?

A. Simms

Mr A Simms

The latest from ...



BSA

BIDFORD SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

Happy Friday!
Upcoming events

Fri 17th March Non Uniform Day

Please bring along a
chocolate donation



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Your BSA team:

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



Fri 24th March -Easter Bingo!

Eyes down 6pm
Tickets @ £4 being sold after
school Mon13th March
(Includes bingo book & hot dog!) Bar also available
Talk to us about any allergy / dietary requirements.

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