

Bidford on Avon Church of England Primary School



NEWSLETTER 36– 28th June 2024

Dates for the diary

- **Week beginning 1st July** - School reports will be sent home
- **Monday 1st July** - KS1 Enrichment day (come to school wearing PE kit). The children will be outside for most of the day so please apply suncream before they come in to school and send in a sun hat.
- **Wednesday 3rd July** – Y6 Leavers “iSing Pop” – St Lawrence Church
- **Wednesday 3rd July** - EYFS Enrichment day (come to school wearing PE kit). The children will be outside for most of the day so please apply suncream before they come in to school and send in a sun hat.
- **Thursday 4th July** – School Fayre 4.30pm
- **Monday 8th July** - LKS2 Enrichment day (come to school wearing PE kit). The children will be outside for most of the day so please apply suncream before they come in to school and send in a sun hat.
- **Tuesday 9th July** - Ocarina Concert. Parents of children in **Year 2** are invited to watch at 10am, **Year 3** at 11.00am and **Year 4** at 2.30pm in the school hall.
- **Tuesday 9th and Thursday 11th July** – Parent consultations
- **Thursday 11th July** – Sports day, Year 3-6 will start at **9.15am** and Rec, Year 1 & 2 at **1.15pm**, parents welcome. Children should come to school wearing their PE kit with a T shirt in their house colour. (back up day – Wednesday 17th July).
- **Monday 15th** - Children in Reception to Year 5 will meet their class teacher for next term. They will have the opportunity to go to their new class for a taster lesson.
- **Tuesday 16th** – Y4 (Miss Eaves and Miss Drissell’s Y4 children) – Warwickshire Sings Concert
- **Tuesday 16th** –Year 6 children will be performing their Leavers Play on Tuesday 16th July at 2pm. Y6 Parents are invited to watch.
- **Friday 19th July** - Year 6 Leavers Service 9.30am, Y6 Parents invited.
- **Friday 19th July** - School finishes at 3:20pm for the summer term.

Reception –discovered a missing gingerbread man from their classroom this week. This led them into a village walk. The children walked through the village, recognising and marking off local shops on their clipboards. They visited the chemist to ask the staff if they had seen the gingerbread man before heading to the village cafe where the children purchased their very own gingerbread man! The children enjoyed eating their gingerbread man in the courtyard of the cafe. Thank you to all the local shops in the village who helped make the walk magical for the children and to all staff for making the walk happen.



KS1 – have been making pizzas this week. Firstly, they designed their pizza by doing a drawing and then designed their own pizza box. They made them using the toppings of their choice and especially enjoyed tasting them and writing the evaluation.

LKS2 –have been working on their descriptive writing and using similes and metaphors in English based on a scene from *The Spider and the Fly*. The children have been using atlases to locate rivers in the UK and around the world and have begun identifying the difference between human and physical features.

UKS2 – have enjoyed their sports enrichment day this week, they took part in orienteering, tag rugby and first aid. On Wednesday they worked extremely hard to finally finish their DT project on slippers. Children have worked hard on their prototype, finishing off sewing on the appliques and buttons and then finally sewing the sole to the top piece to ensure they are secure. They finally tried them on to make sure they fit.



Girls Football – The girls team played a football match against Claverdon this week, unfortunately after being 3-nil up until the final minutes, we ended up drawing 3-3. Thank you as always to the parents that helped and supported.

Parent/Teacher Consultation - We are holding the Parent/Teacher Consultation evenings on Tuesday 9th & Thursday 11th July 4pm-7.00pm in school. Please come into the main school entrance and wait outside your child's classroom where children's work will be available to look at. If you would like to have a meeting with your child's teacher to discuss their report or progress in school this year, please book a 10 minute appointment via <https://bidfordonavon.schoolcloud.co.uk/>. The booking system will close at 4pm on Friday 5th July.

Smartphones - The number of children using smartphones and other digital devices is increasing significantly but parents are sometimes unaware of available alternatives. Using these ensure your child slowly starts getting used to tech gadgets, but also minimize the risk of addiction and potential internet threats lurking on social media and other websites. Please click on the link below for more information: <https://smartphonealternatives>.

Book of the Week – Miss Eaves' class been reading "The Boy who made the World Disappear" by Ben Miller. Harrison tries his best to be good. He doesn't steal, he always shares with his sister and he never cheats at board games, but Harrison also has a BIG flaw . . . He can't control his temper! So, when he's given a black hole instead of a balloon at a party, Harrison jumps at the chance to get rid of everything that makes him cross. But when it's not just things he hates that are disappearing into the black hole but things he loves, too, Harrison starts to realize that sometimes you should be careful what you wish for...

Extension to the school day

The governing body are currently discussing extending the school day by 5 minutes until 3.25pm. This is to meet the DfE new minimum expectations of a 32.5 hour school week. This will come into effect from September 2024.

Mr A Simms