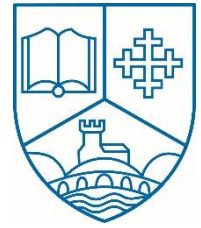


Bidford on Avon

Church of England Primary School



NEWSLETTER 28 – 11th April 2025

Dates for your Diary (new dates added in green)

Monday 28th April – Return to School

Monday 28th April to 1st May – Bikeability (Year 5)

Tuesday 6th May – Y1 trip to Transport Museum

Wednesday 7th May – Y2 trip to Transport Museum

Monday 12th May to 15th May – SATS for Year 6

Friday 23rd May – Teacher training day (school not open to pupils)

Monday 26th May to 30th May – Half Term

Monday 2nd June to 13th June – Multiplication Tables Test for Year 4 Pupils

Monday 9th June to 13th June – Phonics Screening for Year 1 & some Year 2 Pupils

Thursday 12th June – Parent workshop 'Understanding your child's behaviour'

Friday 13th June – School Disco

Friday 27th June – School Summer Fayre and Circus

Monday 30th June – Sports day (children to come to school in house)

Tuesday 1st July – Secondary Transition Day (St Benedicts)

Wednesday 2nd July – Secondary Transition Day (Alcester Academy, King Edwards VI, Alcester Grammar)

Friday 11th July – Warwickshire Youth Choir Concert (Year 5)

Friday 18th July – School Finishes at 3.25pm for pupils for the summer term

Monday 21st July – Teacher training day (school not open to pupils)

Reception – had a great start to their week with participating in science and dance workshops as part of their enrichment day activities. In their science workshop they explored floating and sinking. They designed their own model boats and tested them in water. We have continued our learning about minibeasts including exploring their habitats and identifying which mini beasts are insects. We have enjoyed participating in whole school Easter activities and making cards for our family.

KS1 (Y1, Y1/2 & Y2) – have spent time learning about Easter and how other festivals are important to many different religions. We have taken a focus on a Jewish worldview, exploring festivals like Chanukah and Pesach, comparing these to our own spring and Christmas festivals. In addition, the children have learnt about what makes the candles so special for many different religions around the world. We are particularly proud of how safely our KS1 children walked down to our church service and set a really good example joining in with all of the lovely songs we sang.

LKS2 (Y3, Y3/4 & Y4) – have had an amazing last week of term. They absolutely loved the visit from the chicks and their Easter hunt with the Year 2 children. They all produced some fantastic special writing about the Easter story. Our visit to the church was super fun and we loved singing our Easter songs. Thank you to all of the families for their support this term with the children's learning. Have a wonderful Easter break.

KS2 (Y5, Y5/6 & Y6) – On Tuesday, UKS2 pupils were transported back in time to the 1940s for an immersive experience of life as a World War II evacuee. The day began with wartime songs on a journey aboard a steam train to Cheltenham, where the children did an excellent job of spotting an undercover German spy! The pupils then explored a collection of 1940s artefacts, including toys, kitchen items and clothing from the era before learning how to tackle a fire using a traditional pump and hosepipe—just as people would have during the Blitz. The children also experienced the chilling sound of an air raid siren and took shelter in an authentic air raid shelter!



Parent workshop

Earlier this term a parent questionnaire was shared from the Parenting team. As a result, they have listened to your feedback and arranged to run an 'Understanding Your Child's Behaviour' workshop here at our school. This will take place on Thursday 12th June at 9:30am until 11:30am. The workshop will cover positive parenting strategies and help parents/carers gain a greater understanding of children's behaviour and the needs behind them. To register for the event please sign here:

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Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel

Thank you to all the families that make an active journey to school over the last fortnight. We have been lucky to have the weather to make it a more enjoyable experience.

As a school community we made 791 active journeys, an increase of 129 from last year and we contributed to a country wide total of 273,5433 journeys.

Well done to Year 5 who managed 119 journeys between them!

Easter Eggstravaganza activities



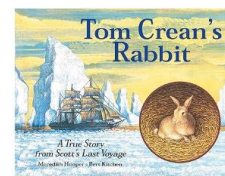
Notes/Reminders

- With some warmer weather now approaching please ensure your child has a named sun hat/cap and that sun cream is applied before the start of the school day. Please also check that jumpers and cardigans are clearly named
- If your child is unwell and unable to attend school, please leave a message on our absence line 01789 773201, Option 1, email to admin3011@welearn365.com or send a message on the school gateway app by 9.15am



Book of the Week – Mrs Horsburgh & Mrs Bond's class have been reading 'Tom Crean's Rabbit' by Meredith Hooper.

It's very cold in Antarctica, and the Terra Nova is crowded with both men and animals. Tom the sailor is looking for a quiet and cozy place for his pet rabbit to have her babies. From high in the rigging to down in the hold, the crewman takes readers all through the ship while he searches for a spot where his rabbit can make her nest. Based on the diaries of men who sailed to the South Pole on board the Terra Nova in 1910 with Captain Robert Falcon Scott, Tom Crean's Rabbit introduces the historic voyage to young readers. Kitchen's stunning illustrations capture the magnificence of the Antarctic landscape and notes in the back of the book provide more information about the expedition and detail the adventures of the book's hero.



It has been such a busy term with so much happening. As I look back it is hard to believe we only have one term left of this academic year. I am so impressed with how our children have developed over this year and am so impressed with how the children in our Reception classes have grown in confidence.

This week has been a very busy week with the classes all enjoying some fun Easter activities. Yesterday we enjoyed a lovely Easter service in St Lawrence's Church where the children in Year 6 did some lovely readings and the children sang with great enthusiasm. This was a lovely service and was a special time in church.

I would like to thank our BSA who have kindly given every child in the school an Easter egg to celebrate Easter. Once again huge thanks to the team for supporting the children with amazing eggs and running fun activities such as the Bingo which was held last Friday.

I hope you have a restful Easter and manage to have some special time together as a family.

Mr A. Morris

THANK YOU!!

A huge thank you to everyone who donated chocolate goodies, and also to those who attended our Bingo evening last Friday, we had a great evening and raised a fantastic -

£750

Wishing you all a wonderful Easter break and we will be back next term with further details on the Summer Fayre and Circus which will take place on Friday June 27th.

Thank you in advance for all your support of our events, and if you could spare any time to help us out with future fundraising, please contact us via Facebook or leave a message at the school office.

Thank you – The BSA Team xx



Messy Church
Easter Special
Saturday 19th April



2 - 4pm
at St Laurence's Church
Bidford

Including Easter egg hunt

Fun, activities, food and celebration for
families with children of all ages with an
easter theme

No need to book

Free (donation welcome)

For more information email
c.leahy@yahoo.co.uk



Understanding Your Child's Behaviour

Thursday 12th June, 9:30-11:30

Bidford on Avon CofE Primary School.

A FREE 2-hour workshop for parents and carers in Warwickshire

Being a parent is exciting and rewarding but there are also times when they behave in ways that challenge.

This two-hour interactive workshop for parents and carers looks at some of the reasons children behave the way that they do and offers insight and strategies to parents to help guide behaviour.

To check availability and book your FREE place, please follow the link below or use the QR code

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/understanding-your-childs-behaviour-bidford-tickets-1317311878289?aff=oddtcreator>



Any queries please contact
ehparenttrainers@warwickshire.gov.uk





ARTCLUB!

We are excited to tell you that we are running our after-school ArtClub again for **Years 2-6!** From the 7th May - 2nd July we will be running a club every **Wednesday 3.20-4.20pm**. The lessons will be fun and relaxed with simple, step-by-step instructions, while introducing basic drawing and painting techniques.

Cost £56 payable in one instalment or 2 instalments of £28 due 5/5 and 2/6 Payable through **BACS ArtBase 09-01-28 64175758**
SPACES ARE LIMITED SO PLEASE BOOK EARLY!



TO BOOK YOUR SPACE Please email us at info@art-base.co.uk with the following information:

Child's name.....

Class.....

Parent/Carer name.....

Person/s authorised to collect your child.....

Contact Numbers (please include 2 numbers)
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Medical Conditions.....

Email address if you would like to hear details of upcoming workshops.....

For full terms and conditions including cancellation and refund policy please visit our website www.art-base.co.uk.

Email info@art-base.co.uk
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Go to: www.warwickshire.gov.uk/eatwellmovemore for help to stay healthy.



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