Bidford on Avon Church of England Primary School



NEWSLETTER 35 – 20th June 2025

Dates for your Diary (new dates added in green)

Friday 27th June – School Summer Fayre and Circus

Monday 30th June – Sports day (children to come to school in house colour t-shirt) Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 will start at 9.15am & Rec, Year 1 & 2 at 1.15pm

Monday 30th June – School reports will be sent home during this week

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

Friday 4th July – KS1 Enrichment Day (come to school in PE kit)

Monday 7th July – Children in Reception to Year 5 will meet their new class teacher

Monday 7th July – Open classrooms - Parents welcome in school at 3.30pm to look their child's work

Tuesday 8th July – Ocarina Concert – Parents welcome, Year 2 at 10am, Year 3 at 11am, Year 4 at 2.30pm

Wednesday 9th July – UKS2 Enrichment Day (come to school in PE kit)

Thursday 10th July – LKS2 Enrichment Day (come to school in PE kit)

Friday 11th July – Warwickshire Youth Choir Concert at Coventry Cathedral (Year 5),(children arrive at 1.30pm concert at 5pm) Link for Tickets/T-shirts -

https://www.warwickshireyouthchoirs.org/sing-together

Tuesday 15th July – Year 6 Leavers Play (parents invited) at 2pm

Wednesday 16th July – Back up day for Sports Day

Thursday 17th July – Talent show (children only)

Friday 18th July – Year 6 Leavers service at 9.30am – Parents welcome

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)

<u>Reception</u> – despite searching high and low in school for the two missing gingerbread men they were nowhere to be seen! Therefore, we decided to widen our search and this week we set off on a walk into the village to continue the hunt for them. The children walked through the village, recognising and marking off local shops on their maps. They visited the pharmacy to ask the staff if they had seen the gingerbread man anywhere and in the end we finally ended our search in the village café where the missing gingerbread man was discovered, much to the excitement of the children. We then went on to purchase our own gingerbread men and enjoyed eating them in the courtyard of the cafe. Thank you to the

Village Café and Bidford Pharmacy who helped make the walk magical for the children and to Mrs. Warwick for baking the gingerbread men for the children to buy.





<u>KS1 (Y1, Y1/2 & Y2)</u> – have been learning about emotions and synonyms for different words in our new book 'The Day the Crayons Quit' by Oliver Jeffers. We have learnt about other books by this author and the children found them really enjoyable to read and discuss. Moving forward with our learning, we will be writing a letter in the same style as the crayons. In addition, the Year 2 children have been learning about time and this is something that can supported at home, helping to consolidate our learning.

LKS2 (Y3, Y3/4 & Y4) – have been writing from the perspective of a lion cub as a result from our focus text 'The Butterfly Lion' by Michael Morpurgo. The children have really wowed us with their use of emotive language and they are really getting in to character. We have also been exploring the movements of tectonic plates and how these cause earthquakes in our topic lessons.

In Fox Class, they have started learning more about money - estimating, adding and subtracting amounts and finding the correct change.

<u>KS2 (Y5, Y5/6 & Y6)</u> – have enjoyed an art day this week where they studied the work of Georgia O'Keefe, explored making different shades of colour and looked at composition. Finally, they created still life paintings of flowers using only primary colours to generate the different hues of reds, oranges, yellows, blues and purples.









Year 5 have been preparing for their Pen Pal Exhibition that is being held at the library today. They have worked incredibly hard on their artwork, photography and letters that they have exchanged with their pen pals in Ebsdorfergrund! They should be very proud of what they have achieved and they are looking forward to continuing their pen pal letters next year. If you would like to see the hard work being showcased, the exhibition will be on display at <u>Bidford Community Library until Friday 4th July</u>. We would like to thank Bidford Community Library for hosting this event, and Nick Priest for supporting us through the Twin Project.







11+ (Year 5 Parents)

If you would like to register your child for the 11+, you will need to register between the 7^{th} May – 30^{th} June. Please use the following link - https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/grammar-schools-11-test/register-11test#:~:text=For%20Secondary%20School%20Entry%20in,just%20started%20in%20Year%206.

Breakfast Club

We are delighted to confirm, that from September we will have a breakfast club running through the provider - Onside. The sessions will run every day from 7.55am. Onside will be at our summer fayre on Friday 27th June with more information regarding how to signing up and we will also be sharing more information soon.

School uniform policy

Please ensure your child is wearing stud earrings and not hooped as outlined in our uniform policy https://www.bidfordonavon.warwickshire.sch.uk/pdfs/policy-uniform.pdf. Unfortunately, if your child is wearing unsuitable earrings, you may get a phone call to come in and change them.

We are also implementing stricter measures to address the rising incidence of pupils wearing jewellery to school. Any jewellery removed from children will be available to be collected from the school office at the end of the day. Bracelets and necklaces are not permitted to be worn.

Free parenting courses

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/warwickshire-family-and-relationship-support--71623337213

School struggles on Tuesday 9th September 2025 7pm to 8pm

After school meltdowns on Tuesday 23rd September 7pm to 9pm

Scan the QR codes to book you tickets or click here





School struggles

After school meltdowns

Notes/Reminders

- 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
- DON'T FORGET With some warmer weather now here, 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

<u>Book of the Week</u> – Mrs Robert's class have been reading 'The Gingerbread Man' by Lesley Sims.

A delightful picture book retelling the classic tale for younger children. Run, run as fast as you can, you can't catch him, he's the Gingerbread Man! But although he may be able to out-run everyone, can the Gingerbread Man outwit the cunning fox?



It has been another busy and hot week! Within school we are busily working alongside our BSA to prepare for our Summer Fayre on Friday 27th June. We are looking forward to welcoming you all in on that evening and are keeping our fingers crossed for good weather. If you are keen/able to volunteer, please contact the office and they will put you in contact with one of our BSA team.

This week we got to meet some of our new reception children and we will meet more of them next week. There was a fantastic atmosphere in the classroom and I'm so proud of how the children came into school and enjoyed exploring the areas.

We have lots going on over the following weeks so please keep reading the newsletter, emails and our texts to ensure you don't miss out on anything!

I look forward to seeing you next Friday when we will once again 'Reach for the Stars'. Apologies for cancelling the assembly today, but the hot weather and the heat within the hall would be quite unbearable and I don't want this to impact on those who are excited to receive/show their amazing awards.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend and manage to find a little shade/cool in this amazing weather.

Mr A. Morris



SUMMER FAYRE INFORMATION RAFFLE

We have some amazing prizes to be won including:

Shakespeare Distillery Gin Tasting for Two

All Things Wild Voucher

Freedom Forest School Voucher

The Bridge Voucher

Done and Dusted Cleaning Voucher

Hoorays Tasting Menu Voucher

Fundamental Movement Academy Voucher

Spotty Pots Voucher

All Stars Gift Voucher

Avon Boating Family Boat Trip Voucher

Skin by Ellen Voucher

Tutor in a Box Vouchers

Co-op Luxury Hamper

Stratford Leisure Centre Voucher

Osco's Café Voucher

Mavericks Hair Voucher

Coughton Court Family Voucher

Three Horseshoes Voucher

Silent Disco Voucher

Onside Coaching Voucher

Mad Museum Family Voucher

and more

Don't miss out on your chance to win – all tickets and money to be returned to school by Friday 27^{th.}

DONATION DAY – FRIDAY 27th JUNE

Last chance for donations of toys and games (teddies of all sizes most welcome) and CAKES – we welcome any homemade or shop bought bakes – please bring along to morning drop off.

CIRCUS TICKETS – We only have a small number left for each show time now (4pm or 5.30pm) – please contact us via FB or school office if you would like to purchase tickets – don't miss out on what is a fantastic fun filled show for the whole family!

Thank you – The BSA Team xx

Find us on Facebook - 'Bidford School BSA'