

Bidford on Avon Church of England Primary School



NEWSLETTER 9 – 10th November 2023

Diary Dates –

- Our Year 1 and 2 Nativity Performance will be held in the afternoons of **13th and 14th December**. A ticket for each performance will be given to each child. Further details regarding timings to follow.
- Reception children will sing Christmas Songs to parents **on Tuesday 19th Dec at 9.45am** – no ticket is required.

Termly Value -Self-Management - Each term we have a set of values/character attributes that we focus on with children in Collective Worship and curriculum where appropriate. This half term we are adding self-management to the previous Autumn terms focus on self-awareness. More details can be seen on our website.

Times Tables Rockstars Competition - Bidford will be taking part in the 'England Rocks' Times Tables Rockstars competition, along with hundreds of other schools all over the country. The competition **starts at 7.30am on Tuesday 14th November and ends at 7.30pm on Thursday 16th November**. Children can log on and play between the hours of 7.30am and 7.30pm on the three days that the competition is running. Each child is only able to play for up to 1 hour each day to try and achieve as many points as they can. The class with the best average score will receive a class treat and as a school we are competing against other schools up and down the country. We can't wait to see how much the children 'Rock out!'

Children in Need – This year we will be taking part in the Children in Need event on **Friday 17th November**. The theme this year is 'Be SPOTacular' and that positive relationships matter. As part of this, our pupils will be taking part in workshops run by OpenView on positive relationships. On Friday 17th November, we would like to invite all our pupils to come to school wearing something that makes them smile. For example; their favourite outfit, bright colours, wearing as many spotty items they can or even something else fun that will make others' smile. We will be taking donations on the gate.

Tesco Community Grant

We would like to say **thank you** to all families who put the blue tokens in the Tesco boxes and voted for our school. We managed to come second and you helped us raise £1000 for the playground improvements project.

Rock Steady – Children recently had a workshop from the rock steady musician. Unfortunately, there was some confusion as to whether we were offering lessons with them and a letter was sent out to a class by mistake. We are not currently proceeding with the course, but it is something we may look into in the future.

Parents Evening - We are holding the rescheduled Parent/Teacher Consultation evenings (10 minutes per appointment) on Tuesday 14th & Thursday 23rd November 3.30-6.30pm in school for Miss Powell and Mrs Mills. Appointments can be made by clicking on the link below (the booking system will close at 3.30pm on Tuesday 14th November) :-

<https://bidfordonavon.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

Year 5 & 6 Boys Football - Our Year 5 & 6 boys football team had a match against Bishopton this week. It was great team performance resulting in a 5-4 win for us. Well done boys and thank you parents for support.

Clubs – There will be no girls' football club on Thursday 16th November and no Y5/6 Multisports on Tuesday 21st November.

Reception 2024 – The school applications window will open on 1st November for children starting in Reception in September 2024. Please apply via [Warwickshire reception 2024](#) by 15th January 2024.

Reminders:

- Now that the weather is getting colder (and wetter!) please send your child to school with a warm coat (clearly named).
- Second half term fees for Music Tuition are due by Monday 13th November.
- Year 4 Swimming – a contribution of £3.82 is requested each week, payable as 2 half-termly payments of £19.10.

Book of the Week – LSK2 are reading “Littlenose the Explorer” by John Grant. The Neanderthal winter lasts for months and months; it's a great time to go exploring. With ice, snow, mist and fog all around, there's lots of fun to be had - from sledging and hunting to rescuing strange tribespeople from the snow. But Littlenose's curiosity also leads him into trouble - somehow, he just can't seem to steer clear of it

Mr A Simms

The latest from ...



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BIDFORD SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

Happy Friday!

We hope everyone had a relaxing half-term break
and enjoyed the Halloween Trail

Friday 17th November

We continue to sell tickets
next week after school whilst
still available.

Yrs 1, 2 & 3
5.30pm - 6.30pm

Yrs 3, 4, 5 & 6
6.45pm - 7.45pm



Disco!

FESTIVE QUIZ NIGHT



1st December, 6pm @ School

5 rounds (including a Christmas themed round).

Prizes for round winners.

Tickets: £4 to include a mince pie (on sale soon). Licensed bar available accepting cash & card payments.

CAN YOU HELP?

We're always looking for new volunteers to help us continue raising vital funds for the school and keep the BSA going – come and talk to us or send us a message!

Find us on Facebook! Your BSA Team:

Vickie Owen - Chair, Hayley Stephens - Vice Chair, Adel Kelly - Treasurer, Emma Welch - Secretary, Jason Norledge - Comms