

# Bidford on Avon Church of England Primary School



Dear Parents

## **NEWSLETTER 19 – 29<sup>th</sup> January 2021**

**Remote Learning** - Although we keep saying how proud we are that so many children are accessing the online lessons we really appreciate the efforts that parents make to ensure that their children are online so regularly. It is clear that the children are thoroughly enjoying seeing each other and having interaction with their teachers. Please remember if you have any problems logging in or accessing the work you can contact us. Current learning timetables will continue for all classes except KS1. New timetables for Year 1 and 2 are attached.

**Collective Worship** - This is the link for this week's Collective Worship from Mr Simms:  
<https://sway.office.com/UlhojslsCtDaL48z?ref=email>

**Covid testing in school** - This week we received lateral flow Covid test kits so all of our staff can self-test twice a week. This is a huge step forward for schools, so we can ensure our school community stay safe and we can closely monitor all our staff to ensure they are carrying or transmitting the virus without showing symptoms. If any member of staff has a positive test result, we will contact you immediately so that the relevant bubble can be closed. Please remember, if you or your child has a positive test result you need to ring the school office immediately. If it is out of school hours, please ring 07591 541444.

**Critical Workers** - Children of critical workers should only be in school when absolutely necessary so please ensure that they only come to school on the days that you are not at home. Please contact us by Friday each week to book the places that you need for the following week.  
We are now able to provide a piece of fruit for all children who are attending school during lockdown (including KS2) so there is no need to send any in with your child.

**February Half Term Break** - Earlier this week, the Department for Education confirmed that schools will be closed to all children for the half term break (Monday 15th February until Friday 19th February). No remote learning will take place over this week and no work will be set, enabling you all to have a well-deserved rest and to be refreshed to return to our remote learning commencing Monday 22nd February.  
During the break, deli bags and food parcels will not be available for children receiving welfare free school meals but eligible families will receive a food voucher from WCC for the week (a separate email has been sent).  
The Book Exchange will not be available over the half term break but will start again from Monday 22nd February.  
Well done to all of the Year 1 pupils who came to swap their books this week - you were the Book Exchange super stars this week!

**Parents Meetings** - Parents' consultation meetings will be held this term by telephone on Tuesday 9th and Thursday 11th February between 4pm and 7pm. Please book your 10 minute appointment via SIMS Pay from 3.30pm today. You will find appoint times under 'Events' and please remember to checkout once the appointment is in your basket. You will receive a confirmation email when your appointment has been booked.

**Midday Supervisor Vacancy** - We have a vacancy for a Midday Supervisor to work each lunchtime. The hours until the end of the Summer Term are 11.45am - 1.45pm and the hours will be reviewed as the Covid restrictions are relaxed. Please contact the office if you or anyone you know would be interested.

Mr A Simms