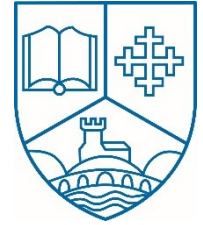


Bidford on Avon Church of England Primary School



NEWSLETTER 39 – 16th July 2021

Dear Parents, Pupils & Governors,

Bread Making – There have been delicious aromas wafting around school this week as children in Year 3 and 4 have made their own bread with ingredients kindly provided by Bidford Co-Op. Pupils designed and made three types of bread and then voted for their favourites: Year 3 chose the 'Minecraft Roll', Year 3/4 chose the 'Sugary Spiral' and Year 4 chose 'Fairy Bread'. Our favourite recipes will be sent to the Co-op bakery team in the hope that they might add one of them to their range.

Amazon Shelters – Children in Mrs Mills' class have been designing and making shelters for tribes living along the River Amazon as part of their South America topic for Design and Technology. They enjoyed using tools such as saws and glue guns, as well as finding natural resources from our forest school area to incorporate into their final product.

Pirate Maths – Children in Year 2 dressed as Pirates on Tuesday and participated in problem solving challenges, set by Captains Walsh and Hudson. The children worked in teams to complete different activities using mathematical skills such as sorting, logic and reasoning. Thank you to all the adult pirates who helped us during the morning.

Home Learning – Children in Miss Eyles class have done really well this week as they have been learning virtually on Google Classroom as the class have been isolating at home. Thanks to parents for supporting the children.

Teddy Bears' Picnic – On Friday morning we welcomed our new Reception children and their Teddies to a picnic on the school field. The new children were able to meet their teachers (socially distant of course!) and enjoy a number of activities. Thank you to the BSA for providing all the new children with a storybook.

Transition – Pupils have been told today which class they will be in next year and we are hoping that next week they will be able to meet the staff on the playground. Next week we will also email you a welcome video from your child's teacher.

Please note:

- Mrs Mills class will be having their PE lesson on Mon 19th July, please send your child into school in their PE kit.
- Next week will be sending home a sample of your child's work books. It would be helpful if they could bring in a named carrier bag to bring them home in.
- Parents of children in Year 3 will have received an email this week with details of swimming lessons in September.

Covid Awareness Update

- Next week pupils will remain in their class 'bubbles' with staggered arrival and home times. Adults must wear face coverings and maintain social distancing while on the school site. Thank you for your continued support in keeping our school community safe.
- Details of arrangements for September will be emailed to parents before the end of term.

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- If your child receives a **positive Covid-19 test** result outside of school hours, please leave a message on the school answerphone and send a text to 07591 541444 immediately. We will contact you to confirm the next

steps. Please do not use this number for any other messages. If your child receives a **negative Covid-19 test** result please contact the office on 01789 773201 before sending your child back to school.

- For the latest Coronavirus Government advice for parents, [please follow this link](#).

Teacher Training Days – School will be closed to pupils for staff training on the following dates:

- Weds 21st July (the last day of this academic year will be on Tues 20th July)
- Thurs 2nd & Fri 3rd Sept (new term will start on Mon 6th Sept)

Book of the Week – Children in Miss Powell's class have been reading 'Matilda' by Roald Dahl. Matilda is the world's most famous bookworm, no thanks to her ghastly parents - her father thinks she's a little scab and her mother spends all afternoon playing bingo. And her headmistress, Miss Trunchbull – she is the worst of all.....!

Mr A Simms