

# Bidford on Avon Church of England Primary School



## NEWSLETTER 9 – 12<sup>th</sup> November 2021

Dear Parents, Pupils & Governors,

**Bidford Fire Station** - The Reception children visited Bidford Fire Station as part of their topic work on Superheroes. They learnt about the role of fire fighters and the importance of fire safety and were asked to check that their smoke alarms were working at home. They learnt about the firefighters' uniforms, saw the fire engine and enjoyed using the hose spray water to knock over cones.

**Diwali** – Children in Reception continued their learning about Diwali this week. They listened to the story of Rama and Sita with its message that with persistence and dedication, goodness will win over bad. On Friday the children enjoyed learning Diwali celebration dancing – thank you to Mrs Rao for coming into school to teach us.

**Armistice Day** – Our House Captains represented our school at the Village War Memorial Remembrance Service on Thursday. All the children in school observed the 2 minutes silence at 11am to remember those who gave their lives for our freedom. Thank you for your donations to the Poppy Appeal.

**Clubs Update** – We will be starting a Football Club for boys in year 3 and 4 on Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov, details have been emailed to parents.

**Christmas Lunch** – Please book your child's Christmas lunch (free to all children) by Mon 15<sup>th</sup> Nov by following the link - [Christmas Lunch](#)

### **Reminders:**

- *Music Tuition* – Fees for this half term are due by Mon 15<sup>th</sup> Nov.
- *Year 4 Swimming* – A contribution of £3.23 is requested each week, payable as 2 half-termly payments of £16.15.

All payments should be made online via Pay360.

**Flu Immunisations** – The School Health team will be giving Flu immunisations in school on Mon 29<sup>th</sup> Nov. A letter has been sent by email this week giving further information and links to the consent form.

### **Covid Arrangements**

- *Since the half term break we have had 7 children test positive for Covid* – if your child is unwell, they should remain at home until they are better. A PCR test should be taken if they are displaying Covid symptoms.
- 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.
- If your child displays symptoms of Covid in school, we will take their temperature and test their sense of smell before phoning you to come and collect them if we feel it is necessary.

**Book of the Week** – Children in Mrs Hudson's and Mrs Butterworth's class have been reading 'Rabbit's Bad Habits' by Julian Gough. Bear wakes up early from hibernation and wants to make a snowman that's better than Bear's. But with an avalanche and a hungry wolf heading his way, Rabbit soon realises that it might be nice to have a friend on his side.

Mr A Simms