

Bidford on Avon Church of England Primary School



NEWSLETTER 29 – 6th May 2022

Dear Parents, Pupils & Governors,

Seaside Topic – Children in KS1 have begun their new topic ‘The Seaside’. The pupils have been looking they types of physical and human features that can be found in coastal places including sand dunes, rock pools, lighthouses and beach huts.

Poetry – As part of their literacy work pupils in Miss Powell’s class have been learning about different types of poetry including shape poems, haiku, kenning poems and limericks. The children wrote their own poems in the format that they liked best and then performed them to the class adding actions to enhance the performance.

Live Sound Experience – Several of our musicians took part in a live sound experience day yesterday giving them a solid working knowledge of how live sounds works from the sound engineers’ and the performers’ viewpoints. They were joined by two ‘technicians’ and everyone saw how every member of the team has an important part to play in a performance. The children performed the song ‘Blinding Lights’ to the children in in Year 5 and 6 the end of the day.

Year 6 SATs – SATs for children in Year 6 will take place next week. An email has been sent to parents with a detailed timetable and children are invited to come in for our breakfast club at 8.30am from Monday to Thursday. On Friday the Year 6 children should come to school in non-uniform but clothing suitable for sports and forest school activities.

Music Lessons – There are *no instrument lessons* in school Mon 9th – Thurs 12th May due to the SATs.

Sports Day – Our school Sports Day will be held on Thurs 7th July. KS2 will be in the morning with Rec and KS1 in the afternoon, times to be confirmed.

Reminders:

- Children should come to school in their correct *school uniform* including *black shoes*. Plain black trainers should only be worn for PE.
- All children should bring a water bottle so that they can keep hydrated during the day. Bottles should contain only still water. Do not send in fizzy drinks or squash.
- On sunny days, please make sure your child has a named sun hat. ‘Once a day’ sun cream should be applied before school; do not send sun cream for your child to use in school.

Covid Arrangements

- Children who are unwell (particularly if they have a high temperature) should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. Children can return to school when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend.
- Children with a positive COVID-19 test result should stay at home and avoid contact with other people for at least 3 days.

Dates for your Diary –

- *Year 6 SATs* will be held from Monday 9th until Thursday 12th May.
- There will be a *Teacher Training Day* on Fri 27th May.
- *Pupil annual reports* will be emailed to parents during week commencing 4th July.

- Sports Day will be held on Thurs 7th July. KS2 will be in the morning with Rec and KS1 in the afternoon.
- Parent Teacher meetings to discuss annual reports will be held on Tues 12th and Thurs 14th July.
- The school summer term will finish on Thursday 21st July.

Book of the Week – Children in Year 1 and 2 have been reading ‘The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch’ by Ronda Armitage. Every day, Mr Grinling the lighthouse keeper cleans and polishes his light to make sure it shines brightly at night. At lunchtime he tucks into a delicious and well-deserved lunch, prepared by his wife. But Mr Grinling isn't the only one who enjoys the tasty food.....

Mr A Simms