

# Bidford on Avon Church of England Primary School



**NEWSLETTER 34– 14<sup>th</sup> June 2024**

## **Dates for the diary**

- **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June** – Non uniform (Bottle donation) & Doughnut sale
- **Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June** – UKS2 Enrichment day (come to school wearing PE kit). The children will be outside for most of the day so please apply suncream before they come in to school.
- **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June** – No Girls Football club due to an away match. (Details to follow)
- **Week beginning 1<sup>st</sup> July** - School reports will be sent home
- **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July** - KS1 Enrichment day (come to school wearing PE kit). The children will be outside for most of the day so please apply suncream before they come in to school.
- **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July** - EYFS Enrichment day (come to school wearing PE kit). The children will be outside for most of the day so please apply suncream before they come in to school.
- **Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July** – School Fayre 4.30pm
- **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July** - LKS2 Enrichment day (come to school wearing PE kit). The children will be outside for most of the day so please apply suncream before they come in to school.
- **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July** - Ocarina Concert. Parents of children in **Year 2** are invited to watch at 10am, **Year 3** at 11.00am and **Year 4** at 2.30pm in the school hall.
- **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July** – Parent consultations
- **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July** – Sports day, Year 3-6 will start at **9.15am** and Rec, Year 1 & 2 at **1.15pm**, parents welcome. Children should come to school wearing their PE kit with a T shirt in their house colour. (back up day – Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July).
- **Monday 15<sup>th</sup>** - Children in Reception to Year 5 will meet their class teacher for next term. They will have the opportunity to go to their new class for a taster lesson.
- **Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup>** –Year 6 children will be performing their Leavers Play on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July at 2pm. Y6 Parents are invited to watch.
- **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July** - Year 6 Leavers Service 9.30am, Y6 Parents invited.
- **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July** - School finishes at 3:20pm for the summer term.

## **Congratulations to our girl's football team for an amazing 21-0 win!**

**Reception** – Have continued with their learning around the Gingerbread Man. The children have been to a drawing club led by Miss Vassie and everyone had a good go at drawing the 'little old lady' from the story. The children have also engaged in writing a wanted poster for the Gingerbread Man. Next week, the children will be making gingerbread men in school so please check your child's book bag for a letter detailing the ingredients.

**KS1** – KS1 have been writing in their special writing books this week, writing their own pirate adventure based on Captain Flinn and the pirate dinosaurs. They have also been learning how to be a photographer in computing.



**LKS2** – Each class in Lower Key Stage 2 all had adventures on the river Avon this week. On each occasion the children loaded themselves on 'Bell Boats' each one containing 10 children and adults at the back to steer. It was paddle power alone so everyone needed muscle and resilience. It was a steep learning curve! All the boats got into some kind of problem either bank bumping, willow avoiding or boat avoiding. It wasn't easy, as the children in Year 3 and 4 will tell you, but they all had a good time and would recommend it to anyone. Many thanks to all the helpers, but especially to Mrs Ballard who went on each trip.

**UKS2** – Have had a very busy and exciting week. They started the week in the sunshine using mod-rock to cover out Giacometti style wire sculptures. They had lots of fun and got very messy!



Each class then also had a fantastic time at Oversley Hill Farm learning all about the different roles undertaken within the farm. They were able to pet the cows, feed the sheep and hold the chickens. They learnt all about the different crops that are grown, how the soil is looked after and even used some of the wheat which was ground into flour, to make fresh bread as well as making our own butter!



**Swimming Y4** – The last swimming session will be on 19<sup>th</sup> June. However, please continue to send your child into school in PE kit on Wednesdays.

**Summer Fayre** – On **Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July**, we will be holding our annual summer fayre. However, we unfortunately do not have as many adult volunteers and as a result we may have fewer stalls for the children and families to enjoy. If you, or a family member is able to volunteer to run a stall (even if only for half an hour), your support would be hugely appreciated. Please come and speak to the office or a member of the BSA if you would like more information.

**Local events - The Shakespeare Hospice Summer Fete & Tea Party** - Where: The Shakespeare Hospice, Church Lane, Shotton, CV37 9UL, When: Saturday, 15<sup>th</sup> June 2024, 12.30-3pm. Entry is FREE but donations are welcome! All funds raised on the day will help deliver their essential end of life palliative care services.

**Book of the Week** – Y5/6 have been reading “Kensuke’s Kingdom” by Michael Morpurgo. This modern adventure classic follows Michael, his parents and Stella Artois, his canine companion on their round-the-world trip on their family boat. They give up their jobs and Michael leaves school. Then they pack their belongings onto the 'Peggy Sue' and off they set. It sounds like a fairy tale ... until Michael falls over-board and ends up being washed up on an island with only one other inhabitant - Kensuke!

**Mr A Simms**