

Bidford on Avon Church of England Primary School



NEWSLETTER 4 – 27th September 2024

Dates for your Diary

- Monday 30th September & Tuesday 1st October - Reception Reading session 2:45
- Friday 4th October - Individual and sibling photographs (**Siblings within the school**)
- Monday 7th October - Open evening for Reception 2025 intake (5:30-6:30)
- Wednesday 9th October- Harvest Festival
- Thursday 10th October - Open evening for Reception 2025 intake (5:30-6:30)
- Wednesday 6th November - Open evening for Reception 2025 intake (5:30-6:30)
- Friday 11th October – Non-uniform day
- Week beginning 14th October - Bikeability for Year 6
- Thursday 17th October - Parents evening 4:00-7:00 (all classes except Year 3/4)
- Friday 18th October – BSA Bingo Night
- Monday 21st October - Flu Immunisation
- Tuesday 22nd October - Parents evening 4:00-7:00
- Tuesday 22nd October - Class trip to Bishopswood Year 3/4 and Year 4
- Wednesday 23rd October - Parents evening 4:00-7:00 (Just Year 3/4)
- Wednesday 23rd October - Class trip to Bishopswood Year 3
- Friday 25th October INSET day – School closed to children
- 28th October-1st November Half Term
- Monday 4th November - Return to school
- Monday 11th November - Remembrance Assembly (children only)
- Friday 15th November - Children in Need
- Monday 18th November – Sports Enrichment for KS1
- Monday 25th November – Sports Enrichment for LK2
- Friday 29th November - School Disco organised by BSA
- Monday 2nd December – Sports Enrichment for UK2
- Friday 6th December – BSA Christmas Fayre
- Wednesday 11th and Thursday 12th December - Year 1 and 2 Nativity Performance to parents
- Tuesday 17th December - Reception Christmas songs 9.45am to parents

Reception - have been comparing similarities and differences between themselves. They have been observing features of their faces in a mirror and made some observational drawings of themselves. They have been sharing rhyming stories and identifying rhyming words. In maths they have been exploring different ways of sorting items.

Reception PE - We want to praise the children in Reception for their efforts in being independent when changing for PE sessions. We ask if parents could help encourage the children in putting on their own socks when getting dressed at home.

KS1 (Y1, Y1/2 & Y2) – have been busy starting our reading VIPER activities focusing on all of the skills we will need to become confident and complete readers. We have all read the text 'Staying Healthy' which has helped us learn what we need to stay healthy. In addition, the teachers have enjoyed hearing about the children's family tree projects that are due on the 3rd October. Within our topic work we have been comparing schools from the past and have valuable opportunities to play games which children would have played at school in the Victorian times.

LKS2 (Y3, Y3/4 & Y4) – have been working on so many fun learning opportunities. In History, they have learnt about the Roman army. They learnt about who could be in the army, their training regime and what their armour looked like. In Science, they have been learning about different types of skeleton. Ask them what a hydrostatic skeleton is - you'll be amazed! Year 4 have also been learning more French, ask them to count to 10!

UKS2 (Y5, Y5/6 & Y6) - have been rounding numbers to the nearest million and we have also been learning to read and write roman numerals to 1000! The children have also enjoyed problem solving involving roman numerals.

PGL

The Year 6 Children have had the best time away with their friends. They definitely won't return home hungry with three cooked meals a day and plenty of sweet treats. The typical English weather did not stop us enjoying all the activities PGL had to offer including: laser tag, climbing, abseiling and giant swing. Many children have conquered fears, pushed themselves out of their comfort zones and supported and encouraged each other along the way. Along with the staff, I'm sure the children will be glad of a good night sleep in their own bed tonight.



Dogs – Please can we remind everyone that our site is a no dog zone. When dropping off and collecting your child please leave dogs at the gate. Thank you for your cooperation.

Lunch Time Supervisor Vacancy – We have a part-time/full time vacancy for a Midday Supervisor (MDS). Please call into the office for more details and an application form or phone 01789 773201.

School Admissions – If you have a child moving to Secondary school from September 2025 applications need to be made by 31st October 2024, you may find the following information from School Admissions helpful:

- Parent guide - providing guidance to parents to help decide and apply for a school place | <https://api.warwickshire.gov.uk/documents/WCCC-1980322935-2186>
- Video animation for parents | <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V7yVvgN9tAs>

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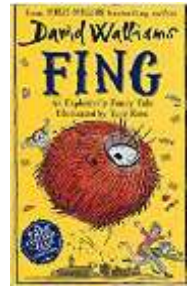
We would be grateful of any swimming goggle donations.

KS2 Snack

Please can we remind all Key Stage 2 children to bring in a piece of fruit for snack time.

Book of the Week – Mr Plumbe’s class have been reading Fing by David Walliams.

Meet the Meeks! Librarians Mr and Mrs Meek will do anything to keep their darling daughter, Myrtle Meek, happy. But it’s not enough for Myrtle, who always wants more, more, more! When Myrtle declares that she wants a FING, there’s only one problem... WHAT IS A FING? Mr and Mrs Meek’s hilarious quest to find a Fing takes them from the forbidden vaults of the library, through the pages of a mysterious book called The Monsterpedia, and to the furthest corners of the jungle! But will they ever find a Fing...?



It was so exciting waving our year 6 children off on their school journey on Wednesday morning. There was definitely a lot of excitement in the air! I got the chance to visit the children on Thursday and I can say with great assurance that the excitement certainly continued 😊

On the subject of enthusiasm. It was lovely getting the opportunity to work with Year 5/6 this week on Wednesday when we started a mini project on Greek Gods. They are certainly a knowledgeable and creative class!

It was also lovely to welcome Mrs. Mills back too as she covers Miss Eaves whilst she is getting married (very exciting!).

I hope you all manage to have a relatively dry weekend and I look forward to seeing some of you next week when we once again 'Reach for the Stars' in our celebration assembly.

Mr A Morris