

Bidford on Avon Church of England Primary School



NEWSLETTER 5 – 4th October 2024

Dates for your Diary:

Monday 7th October - Open evening for Reception 2025 intake (5:30-6:30)

Wednesday 9th October - Harvest Festival, parents welcome, details below.

Thursday 10th October - Open evening for Reception 2025 intake (5:30-6:30)

Friday 11th October – Non-uniform day (see BSA newsletter attached)

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 (Email has been sent this week, please complete by 13th October)

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

Wednesday 6th November - Open evening for Reception 2025 intake (5:30-6:30)

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 talking about our families and how special they are. We have enjoyed looking at our family photos and talking about our family members. We have drawn pictures of our families too. We have started to practise sounds to help us with our reading and writing. Please look inside book bags for home learning journeys.

KS1 (Y1,Y1/2 & Y2) – have started to read Billy Goats Gruff as our traditional tale unit in English starts. The children have enjoyed exploring many different traditional tales and playing games of guess the characters and

tale with their friends. All of the children are beginning to add and subtract in maths after securing their understanding in place value.

We are all looking forward to the in school exhibition for Key Stage 1 and have really enjoyed seeing their completed family trees.

LKS2 (Y3, Y3/4 & Y4) – have been working hard this week to move their learning on in all areas of the curriculum. In History, they have been learning about Boudicca. They now know why there was a rebellion and how scary she was! In Science, they have been labelling bones in the human body. Ask them if they can tell you any of the scientific names!

UKS2 (Y5, Y5/6 & Y6) - have been writing descriptions of the despicable next door neighbour Mrs Porshley Plum, or as some call her Mrs Horse's Bum! Also, they have been using an atlas to locate Greece and its surrounding islands.



Reception Reading Workshops – We would like to say a huge thank you to all of the parents/carers who were able to come along to the Reception work shops this week. We hope you found them informative and helpful, especially when helping to support your child's learning at home. For anyone who was unable to attend, the presentation will be available for you to access on the school's website.

Stratford Foodbank – On Wednesday we had Mark from the Stratford-Upon-Avon food bank come into assembly to talk about his volunteer work and how the foodbank works. We were all surprised to hear that around 400 families in Stratford use the foodbank each month! The children learnt about how to donate food, the types of food needed and what happens once the food is donated. Please find attached to this week's newsletter the current 'Most Wanted' items needed.

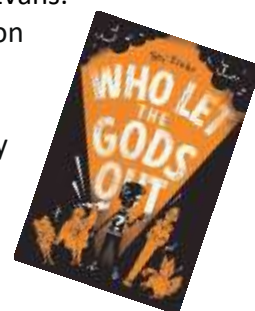
Lunch Time Supervisor Vacancy – Closing date is Friday 11th October

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>

Book of the Week – Miss Drissell's class have been reading 'Who let the Gods' out by Max Evans. When Elliot wishes upon a star, he doesn't expect a constellation to crash into a dungheap on his family farm. The star is Virgo. She thinks she's perfect. Elliot doesn't. And together they release Thanatos, evil Daemon of Death ... epic fail. They need the King of the Gods and his noble steed. Instead, they get a chubby Zeus and his high horse Pegasus. Are the Gods really ready to save the world? And is the world really ready for the Gods?



It has been another busy week where everybody has continued to work extremely hard. I have seen the children across the school, working hard on their learning and definitely stretching themselves. KS1 have been working on their 'art' day today, which is really special and the children have been producing some amazing work 😊

Next week we will be once again having our Harvest Festival when we get the children to bring in produce to be sold by the year 5 children at the end of the day. Timings will be KS1 (Year 1 & 2) 9.15am – 9.45am and KS2 (Year's 3 – 6) 10am – 10.30am. We look forward to sharing some of our songs with you all and celebrating this time of the year.

I look forward to seeing some of you on next Friday when we once again celebrate the children's achievements when we once again 'Reach for the Stars'.

Mr A Morris