Bidford on Avon Church of England Primary School



NEWSLETTER 29 – 2nd May 2025

Dates for your Diary (new dates added in green)

Tuesday 6th May – Y1 trip to Transport Museum Wednesday 7th May – Y2 trip to Transport Museum Monday 12th May to 15th May – SATS for Year 6 Monday 19th May – Year 5 singing concert 9.30am in the school hall – Parents invited Thursday 22nd May – VE day Celebrations – Children to come dressed in red, white & blue Friday 23rd May – Teacher training day (school not open to pupils) Monday 26th May to 30th May – Half Term Monday 2nd June to 13th June – Multiplication Tables Test for Year 4 Pupils Monday 9th June to 13th June – Phonics Screening for Year 1 & some Year 2 Pupils Thursday 12th June – Parent workshop 'Understanding your child's behaviour' Friday 13th June – School Disco Friday 27th June – School Summer Fayre and Circus Monday 30th June – Sports day (children to come to school in house colour t-shirt) Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 will start at 9.15am & Rec, Year 1 & 2 at 1.15pm Monday 30th June – School reports will be sent home during this week Tuesday 1st July – Secondary Transition Day (St Benedicts) Wednesday 2nd July – Secondary Transition Day (Alcester Academy, King Edwards VI, Alcester Grammar) Monday 7th July – Children in Reception to Year 5 will meet their new class teacher Monday 7th July – Open classrooms - Parents welcome in school at 3.30pm to look at children's work Tuesday 8th July – Ocarina Concert – Parents welcome, Year 2 at 10am, Year 3 at 11am, Year 4 at 2.30pm Friday 11th July – Warwickshire Youth Choir Concert (Year 5) Link for Tickets https://www.warwickshireyouthchoirs.org/sing-together Friday 11th July – Year 5 Singtastic Concert at Coventry Cathedral (children arrive at 1.30pm concert at 5pm) Tuesday 15th July – Year 6 Leavers Play (parents invited) at 2pm Wednesday 16th July – Back up day for Sports Day Thursday 17th July – Talent show (children only) Friday 18th July – Year 6 Leavers service at 9.30am – Parents welcome Friday 18th July – School Finishes at 3.25pm for pupils for the summer term Monday 21st July – Teacher training day (school not open to pupils)



Reception – have been learning about the life cycle of a butterfly. We shared the story of The Hungry Caterpillar and learnt about symmetry through observing patterns on the wings of butterflies. The children engaged in creative activities such as printing caterpillars and producing pictures of butterflies with symmetrical wings using paints and through their drawings.

<u>KS1 (Y1, Y1/2 & Y2)</u> – have begun their English topic with the story of Little Red Riding Hood and exploring features of the text. In our topic lessons this term we will be learning about transport from the past and present. The children have enjoyed comparing various transport this week learning about the words, old, new, past and present. We look forward to our trip to the British Transport Museum (Y1 - 6th May, Year 2- 7th May) in order to begin the rest of our topic with great excitement.

The Year 1 children thoroughly enjoyed the visit from the firemen from Alcester Fire Station on Wednesday morning. They learnt a rhyme "Matches, Lighters Never Touch, They Can Hurt You Very Much" and were also shown and practised the Stop, Drop and Roll routine if their clothes ever caught alight. The children were reminded to go home and talk to parents about an exit route in case of a house fire and to test their fire alarms weekly or at least once a month. At the end, they had the opportunity to try on a real fire fighter's helmet and all agreed it was very heavy!



LKS2 (Y3, Y3/4 & Y4) – This week has been a poetry week in LKS2. We have been looking at different poems about food that use different stylistic devices. Rhyming was particularly fun and the children were able to tell the reader why you shouldn't trust certain foods! Some children shared their work in KS2 assembly and raised some laughs! We also looked at effective language and superlatives. Our volcanoes and earthquakes topic got underway, with the children learning about the structure of the Earth. We loved making the different layers (crust, mantle, outer core and inner core) using playdough!

KS2 (Y5, Y5/6 & Y6) – This week, our Year 5 children have been working hard to complete their Bikeability award, demonstrating excellent awareness of how to ride their bikes safely on the road. It's been great to see their confidence grow as they learn these important life skills. Meanwhile, Year 6 have continued to apply themselves brilliantly to their SATs practice, showing determination and focus. They have also been immersing themselves in history by planning and writing diary entries from the perspective of a World War II evacuee, showcasing their empathy, creativity, and understanding of life during that time.

Accelerated Reader

Some children have been asking how to complete book quizzes at home. The link you will need is: <u>https://login.renaissance.com/12d2c600-042a-47e8-ae04-d67fc789d565?state=149d073b-93f4-4a2c-a06b-682faeb85747</u>

Children's usernames and passwords should be in their reading diary. If you have not got this information, please speak to your child's class teacher.

11+ (Year 5 Parents)

If you would like to register your child for the 11+, you will need to register between the 7th May – 30th June. Please use the following link - <u>https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/grammar-schools-11-test/register-11-test#:~:text=For%20Secondary%20School%20Entry%20in,just%20started%20in%20Year%206</u>.

Notes/Reminders

- With some warmer weather now approaching please ensure your child has a named sun hat/cap and that sun cream is applied before the start of the school day. Please also check that jumpers and cardigans are clearly named
- If your child is unwell and unable to attend school, please leave a message on our absence line 01789 773201, Option 1, email to <u>admin3011@welearn365.com</u> or send a message on the school gateway app by <u>9.15am</u>
- Please remember that the only jewelry to be worn in school are stud earrings. No fake/paint nails or make up are permitted.
- <u>PE Change</u> Year 3 (Mr Thackway's class) will have PE on Friday 9th May instead of Monday 5th
 Year 5 (Miss Waters class) will have PE on Wednesday 14th May instead of Thursday 15th
 Year 6 (Miss Drissell's class) will have PE on Thursday 15th May instead of Wednesday 14th

Book of the Week – Mr Nailor's class have been reading 'Just a Dream' by Chris Van Allsburg. Walter is a boy who shows no concern or respect for the environment. That night he has a series of disturbing dreams of what the future will be like if current practices continue. Walter wakens and vows to change his habits.



Welcome back after what I hope has been an enjoyable Easter break for all. I am hopeful that the weather now knows we are in the summer term!

I'm sure that you don't need reminding that we are quickly approaching end of Key Stage Assessment in Year 6. SATS week this year begins Monday 12th May and finishes on Thursday 15th May. We have once again been busy in school and this week I have enjoyed seeing our Year 5 children enjoying Bikeability. I have been really impressed with their mature attitude and the positivity that they have approached this with. There has also been a buzz of excitement in Keystage 1 as they prepare for their school trip next week. I'm sure the children will benefit greatly from their experience at the Gaydon Motor Museum.

I hope you have an enjoyable long Bank Holiday weekend and I look forward to seeing you next Tuesday!

Mr A. Morris



School Attendance (Pupil Registration)

To comply with the School Attendance (Pupil Registration) (England) Regulations 2024 and Data Protection expectations, it is vitally important that Bidford-on-Avon Primary School keeps accurate and up to date information relating to every pupil on roll.

The information we are required to record includes:

· Pupil's full legal name (and if appropriate, their preferred name).

 \cdot The name, address and contact details of every person known to the school/academy who is a parent* to the pupil with whom the pupil normally resides (this is the address that has been used to register with their GP).

- · The name, address and contact details of any additional parent*.
- · Any other emergency contact details.

In order to gather this information, every year we send out data collection forms. Parents are asked to complete the form with as much information as possible and then return to the school, signed and dated. We would ask that even where there are no amendments to the data collection sheet, parents return the form, signed and dated.

Bidford-on-Avon Primary School requests that if you change your contact number, move home or there are any other circumstances which may impact your child, the school is notified as a priority.

N.B. *The Education Act 1996 defines a 'parent' as a). any natural parent, whether married or not, b). any parent who, although not a natural parent, has parental responsibility as defined in the Children Act (1989) for a child or young person c). any person who, although not a natural parent, has care of a child or young person.

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We all play at:

Bidford-on-Avon Cricket Club

Session dates:

Friday 9th May - Friday 27th June

Session timings:

18:00 - 19:00

5 - 8 Year olds **Contact:** Naomi Clayson

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