

Bidford on Avon

Church of England Primary School



NEWSLETTER 33 – 6th June 2025

Dates for your Diary (new dates added in green)

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 – 9:30am Parent workshop 'Understanding your child's behaviour' (book via Eventbrite)

Friday 13th June – School Disco

Tuesday 17th June – BSA AGM at 6.30pm, come along and find out more about what we do and how you could be involved in future fundraising events and activities for school

Friday 20th June – TWIN project exhibition at Bidford Library (4pm -4.30pm) for Year 4 & 5

Friday 20th June – Non uniform day, bring a bottle donation

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

Wednesday 2nd July – Secondary Transition Day (Alcester Academy, King Edwards VI, Alcester Grammar, St Benedicts)

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 their child'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 sharing the story of "The Gingerbread Man" and have joined in enthusiastically with repeated phrases within the story. They have created their own pictures of The Gingerbread Man and are very much looking forward to baking gingerbread men to eat next week. They also explored and discovered the reason why the gingerbread man did not swim across the river in the story!



KS1 (Y1, Y1/2 & Y2) – have continued their Transport topic, learning about cars, trains and planes from the past and present. In addition, we have been looking at a significant individual in the history of transport: Amelia Earhart. The children really enjoyed learning about her and what she achieved. In English, we have been writing postcards from ... THE MOON! During our Bob: Man on the Moon topic, we have looked at what it was like on the moon for Bob, how it may have felt and wrote a postcard to his friends. The children produced some really excellent work!

LKS2 (Y3, Y3/4 & Y4) – have started their new text 'The Butterfly Lion' by Michael Morpurgo. The children have loved the first few chapters and their work about whether they should keep a pet lion! In topic, the children have been learning about why it would or would not be a good idea to live near a volcano. In Science, the children looked at the structure of a leaf and now know how water is transported through them. Ask them about the different parts of a leaf!

KS2 (Y5, Y5/6 & Y6) – Year 6 have begun rehearsals for their exciting end-of-year play, *Pirates of the Curry Bean*. In class, they've also been busy writing persuasive information leaflets about the London Eye, inspired by our new book *The London Eye Mystery*. Meanwhile, Year 5 have been exploring the classic poem *The Highwayman* and are now creatively retelling it in their own words, transforming poetry into powerful narrative writing.

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 - <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/grammar-schools-11-test/register-11-test#:~:text=For%20Secondary%20School%20Entry%20in,just%20started%20in%20Year%206>.

Free Courses

Along with the 'Understanding your child's behaviour' course which has been held at Bidford-on-Avon Primary School on Thursday 12th June at 9am, we are so lucky that Warwickshire has just launched tickets for two more FREE parenting courses.

School struggles on Tuesday 9th September 2025 7pm to 8pm

And

After school meltdowns on Tuesday 23rd September 7pm to 9pm

Scan the QR codes to book your tickets or click [here](#)



Child's behaviour course



School struggles



After school meltdowns

Notes/Reminders

- If your child is unwell and unable to attend school, please leave a message on our absence line 01789 773201, Option 1, email to admin3011@welearn365.com or send a message on the school gateway app by 9.15am
- **NO** jacket potatoes on Monday
- **PE change** – Mrs Satchwell & Mr Batts class will have PE on Wednesday next week
Miss Drissell's class will have PE on Tuesday

DON'T
FORGET

Book of the Week – Mrs Foster & Mrs Belfort’s class have been reading ‘The train to impossible places’ by P.G Bell.



Suzy is surprised to find a grumpy troll building a railway through her house - especially when a gigantic steam train crashes into her hallway! This is the Impossible Postal Express, the trusty delivery service of the Union of Impossible Places, and Suzy becomes its newest recruit. And with her cursed first package, an impossible adventure begins.

It's been a busy and exciting first week back after the half-term break!

We kicked off on Monday with rehearsals in the hall as preparations begin for our Year 6 production. The children have already shown great commitment and enthusiasm, and I have no doubt we're in for a real treat at the end of the year.

I'd also like to share some staff news. We are thrilled to announce that two of our lovely teachers will be welcoming 'Bidford Babies' in the autumn term!

- **Mrs Belfort** will be going on maternity leave in the autumn term, and **Mrs Foster** will be increasing her teaching commitment to five days a week from September to provide cover.
- **Mrs Horsburgh's** maternity leave will also begin in the autumn term and will be covered by **Mrs Bond** and **Mrs Flavell**, who will both be increasing their teaching days to ensure a consistent and smooth experience for our Key Stage 1 children.

We also have a significant change to share. It is with mixed emotions that I announce **Mr Nailor** will be leaving us at the end of this academic year. While we are truly sad to see him go, we are absolutely delighted for him as he takes on an exciting new role as an Assistant Head. We wish him every success in this new chapter.

Looking ahead, we are pleased to share that **Mr Batts** will be taking over the leadership of Key Stage 1. Many of you will already know Mr Batts, and we are fortunate to have someone with such a wealth of experience and a caring, kind approach stepping into this role.

I hope you all a restful weekend—I hope the sunshine makes a return!

Mr A. Morris



SUMMER FAYRE INFORMATION

CIRCUS TICKETS – these are selling fast so please buy soon if you don't want to miss out to see the amazing show – back on sale after school next week!

DONATIONS FOR FAYRE

FRIDAY 13th and FRIDAY 27th JUNE

We will welcome any donations of toys, games and books – cuddly toys of all sizes especially welcome if you are having a clear out 😊

FRIDAY 20th JUNE

Non uniform day in return for a bottle donation for our tombola.

RAFFLE TICKETS

Look out for raffle tickets coming home in bags – we have some amazing prizes to be won so don't miss out on your chance to win – all tickets and money to be returned to school by Friday 27th.

Thank you – The BSA Team xx

Find us on Facebook – 'Bidford School BSA'



JOIN US FOR OUR SUMMER HOLIDAY CLUB

Sign up your primary school aged children for a fantastic four days of pirate-themed craft, games, treasure hunts, competitions, drama, songs and much, much more to kick off the summer!



TUESDAY 22ND
TO
FRIDAY 25TH
JULY



Picnic lunch provided



Church-run event



Followed by a Holiday Club takeover celebration on Sunday 27th July



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SIGN UP TODAY!

We'd love to have everyone join us - but we only have a limited number of spaces which will be given on a first-come first-served basis, with priority being given to local families from Bidford-on-Avon (with a B50 postcode).

**Drop children at 9.30am,
collection at 12.45pm**

**£3.00 per child per day
£5.00 for set of siblings**

**Online payment once your
space is confirmed**

**Registration deadline:
FRIDAY 4th JULY 2025**

**Scan the QR code below to fill
out registration form**



**Or visit www.thebarn.org.uk
to fill out the form on our website**

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!