

Bidford on Avon Church of England Primary School



NEWSLETTER 16 – 9th January 2026



Dates for your Diary (new dates added in green)

Monday 12th January – Year 6, Miss Drissell's PE (instead of Thursday 15th)

Thursday 15th January – Year 5, Miss Waters PE (instead of Monday 12th)

Wednesday 21st January – Reception Phonics Workshop (2:30pm)

Thursday 22nd January – Reception Phonics Workshop (9:15am)

Tuesday 27th January – SEND coffee morning at 9am (focus – getting to know each other)

Tuesday 3rd February – Reception Space dress up day

Thursday 5th February – Parents Evening

Tuesday 10th February – Parents Evening

Friday 13th February – Break up for Half term

Monday 23rd February – Children return to school

Thursday 5th March – World Book Day

Friday 6th March – LKS2 Enrichment day

Monday 9th March – KS1 Enrichment day

Wednesday 11th March – SEND coffee morning at 9am (focus - ASD, an opportunity for parents/carers to share strategies and resources)

Monday 16th March – UKS2 Enrichment day

Tuesday 17th March – KS1 Trip to Cotswold Wildlife Park

Friday 20th March – Comic Relief Day

Friday 27th March – Break up for Easter

Friday 1st May – SEND coffee morning (Focus - Mental Health, an opportunity for parents/carers to share strategies and resources)

Tuesday 30th June – SEND coffee morning (Focus - Transition, how to prepare your child for change)

Friday Faith Club

We were delighted to welcome Rev. Helen from Bidford-on-Avon Church for our first Friday Faith Club. Rev. Helen will be visiting school on several Fridays, where she leads fun activities for the children. She will be based in the Studio at Friday lunchtime, with the door open so children are welcome to drop in and take part if they wish.

Electric Scooters

Our local policing team has asked that we share important guidance regarding the legal use of electric scooters, including when and where they may be used. Please take a moment to review the attached posters, which outline this information clearly.

We know many of our pupils have been very excited to receive electric scooters as Christmas gifts, and we would not want for that excitement to be dampened by scooters being seized or children becoming understandably upset. By familiarising yourselves with the rules, we can all help ensure scooters are used safely, responsibly, and within the law.

Reception – September 2026

The closing date of 15th January is fast approaching. There is only one week left to apply for a Reception place starting in September 2026—don't miss the deadline –

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/7341/parents-have-less-than-two-weeks-to-apply-for-their-child-s-2026-reception-or-junior-school-place>

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**
- If your child has sickness or diarrhea, they need to remain off school for **48 hours** from the last episode.

Welcome back to a very busy term!

I hope you all enjoyed a restful Christmas and New Year and had the opportunity to spend time with your loved ones. I have been so impressed with how the children have returned to school, showing enthusiasm and eagerness in their new topics and learning — all with great focus and concentration, despite the cold weather and even some snow!

This week, I have spoken with the children about New Year's resolutions, as well as our theme of *Courage*. I encouraged them to think about areas they can focus on, not only to improve themselves, but also to recognise that doing so requires commitment and courage.

I look forward to seeing some of you at our celebration assemblies on a Friday, where we will be recognising the achievements the children have made both at home and at school. I hope 2026 is a year filled with positive memories for everyone.

Mr A. Morris



Messy Church
Saturday 17th January



2 - 4pm
at St Laurence's Church
Bidford

Fun, activities, food and celebration for
families with children of all ages with a

No need to book

Free (donation welcome)

For more information email

Revd Helen Smith

curate.stlaurences@heartparishes.org.uk



ARTS AND CRAFTS CLUB

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB at Bidford on Avon CE Primary School.

Venue - Bidford on Avon Primary School studio. 3:25pm – 4.30pm,
TUESDAYS, January 20th to February 10th 2026.

Details - This is a club for years Reception to Yr6.

Children come to the club straight from class.

We'll start with a snack (fruit/biscuit/cake) and then a weekly selection of arts and crafts to get creative with! And often end with a game or two.

Cost - £37/child for the 4 weeks.

Please book direct with Su Lincoln.

E: sulincoln.sl@gmail.com M: 07813 993206

....Places are limited....

Payment to be made in advance to:

Mrs S. Lincoln

Bank account: 01438663

Sort code: 30 98 26

Reference: your child's name



PLEASE CONFIRM PLACE BEFORE PAYMENT

Information also required.

Childs full name:

Parent/carer name:

School year:

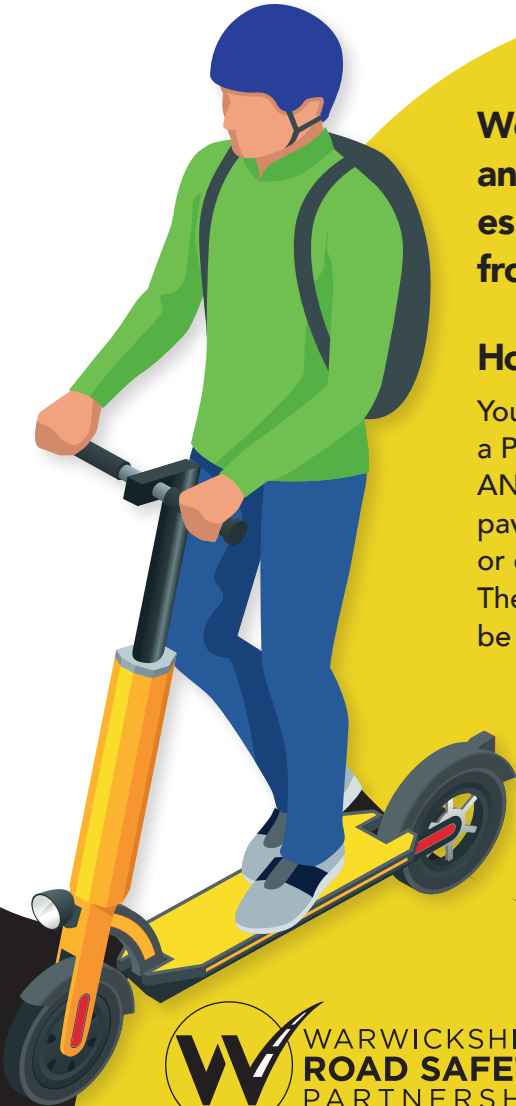
Any Allergies:

Allowed to walk home? (years 5 and 6 only):

Emergency tel. no.:



It's currently **illegal** to ride a **privately owned e-scooter** in any **public place**



We understand that buying an e-scooter can be tempting, especially as you can get them from many popular retailers.

However the current law is clear

You can buy one but it is illegal to use a **PRIVATELY OWNED** e-scooter in **ANY** public space including roads, pavements, parks, town centres or canal towpaths for example. The only place an e-scooter can be used is on private land.



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What will happen if I'm stopped by Warwickshire Police?

If you ride an e-scooter on public land and roads you need to comply with a number of conditions including having appropriate insurance. Warwickshire Police has the power to seize e-scooters if you do not have insurance and to prosecute riders – please make sure you keep your privately owned e-scooter on private land so this doesn't happen to you.

Warwickshire is currently not part of the trials so e-scooters cannot be hired at this time.

The UK Government is currently taking part in 'Future Transport Zone' trials for e-scooter hire, with a view to making them legal to use on the roads.

Why is this?

E-scooters are classified as Personal Light Electric Vehicles (PLEVs) so they are treated as motor vehicles and subject to the same legal requirements such as:

- MOT
- Licensing
- Tax
- Insurance

As e-scooters do not have number plates, signalling ability and don't always have visible rear lights, they can't be used legally on the roads.

Warwickshire Road Safety Partnership understand the public's support for environmentally friendly modes of transport. We want to work with the public to make sure the roads are safe for everyone.

