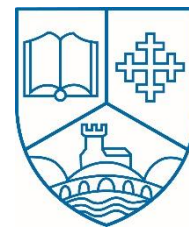


Bidford on Avon Church of England Primary School



NEWSLETTER 36 – 26th June 2026



Dates for your Diary (new dates added in green)

Monday 29th June – LKS2 Enrichment Day – PE kit

EYFS – Enrichment Day TBC

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

Tuesday 30th June – 10am till 10:30am Year 2 Ocarina concert (parents invited)

11am till 11:30am Year 3 Ocarina concert (parents invited)

Tuesday 30th June - Art Explorer's session 1:30 till 3pm (parents & Y1 & Y2 children) limited spaces, book a place with the school office

Tuesday 30th June – Year 5 PE, instead of Monday 29th

Friday 3rd July – Year 6 PE, instead of Tuesday 30th

Tuesday 7th July - Art Explorer's session 1:30 till 3pm (parents & Y3 & Y4 children) limited spaces, book a place with the school office

Friday 10th July – KS1 Enrichment Day – PE Kit

Monday 13th July – Year 6 leaver's play (Year 6 parent's invited), 1:30pm

Monday 13th July – Open classrooms, 3:30pm till 4pm

Tuesday 14th July – 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

Thursday 16th July – Sports Day reserve

Friday 17th July – Year 6 Leavers service, 9:30am (year 6 parents invited)

Friday 17th July – School finishes at 3:25pm for summer term

Monday 20th July – Teacher training day (school closed for children)

Monday 1st September – Teacher training day (school closed for children)

Tuesday 2nd September – Children back to school

Notes/Reminders

- If your child has sickness or diarrhea, they need to remain off school for 48 hours from the last episode
- If your child will be collected by another person, please notify the school office by 1:00pm
- Please remember to report your child's absence to the school office by 9:00am via emailing admin3011@welearn365.com, calling 01789 773201, or through the School Gateway app.

11+ (Year 5 pupils)

Parents and carers of children in Year 5 can now register their child to sit the 11+ entrance test. If you would like your child to be considered for a grammar school place, please ensure registration is completed before the closing date of 30th June 2026.

Further information and the registration link can be found here: <http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/grammar-schools-11-test>



Have Your Say: The Big Future Survey

We are encouraging all our pupils to take part in an important national survey called **The Big Future**, led by the Children's Commissioner for England.

This survey gives children and young people the chance to share their views about their lives, their communities, and their hopes for the future. It will help ensure that children's voices are heard by decision-makers, especially as more young people will be eligible to vote in future elections.

Children will be asked about:

- What matters most to them
- Their biggest concerns
- The changes they would like to see
- What a good childhood looks like today

We would love as many of our pupils as possible to take part so their voices can be included.

👉 **Complete the survey here:**

<http://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigfuture>

The deadline for responses is **Friday 23 October**.

Schools with high participation will receive recognition, and the results will help shape decisions at a national level.

Thank you for supporting your child to take part and make their voice heard!

River Safety Reminder During Hot Weather



With the recent warm weather, we know many children are spending more time outdoors near local rivers, canals and streams. While jumping into open water may seem fun and refreshing, it can be extremely dangerous. Please take a moment to talk to your child about the risks of entering rivers, including cold water shock, strong currents, hidden objects beneath the surface, and slippery banks. Even water that looks calm can be unpredictable and life-threatening.

We encourage all families to reinforce the importance of staying away from unsafe water and choosing supervised swimming areas instead. By having these conversations at

home, we can help keep our children safe this summer. This message is also being taught in school through class assemblies, our PSHE scheme and we also hoping to have the local fire brigade in school soon to relay this message.

Thank you for your continued support.

Raffle Tickets

Please remember to return all completed and sold raffle tickets to the school office by **Wednesday 1st July**.

There are 24 fantastic prizes up for grabs, so don't miss your chance to be part of the draw! Thank you for your support in making this event a success.

It has been a very hot week!

Thank you all for your support in helping us keep the school as cool and safe as possible during this spell of exceptionally hot weather. Parents who have been able to collect their children early have helped us to keep the building and classrooms cooler for the children and staff who have remained in school, and we are very grateful for your understanding and cooperation.

I recognise how important it is for children to be in school and learning; however, as Headteacher, my first priority will always be the wellbeing and safety of every child and member of staff.

Despite the extreme temperatures, school life has continued with plenty of exciting activities. We have enjoyed rehearsals for the Year 6 production, a wide range of learning opportunities across the school and, of course, preparations for our School Fayre.

A reminder that the School Fayre will now take place after school on **Wednesday 1st July**. Please make a note of the new date in your diary — we would love to see as many families there as possible to support this fantastic event.

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend, and here's hoping for some slightly cooler weather next week!

Mr A. Morris