Bidford on Avon
Church of England Primary School

NEWSLETTER 11 – 20th November 2026



New Dates for your Diary

Please see below for the latest dates for your diary. Whenever a new date is added, it will be **highlighted in green** so that you can easily spot any updates and keep your calendars up to date.

Dates for your Diary

Thursday 19th November – Reception parents maths workshop 9:15am

Thursday 19th November – Reception parents maths workshop 2:15pm

Monday 23rd November – Reception parents maths workshop 9:15am

Tuesday 24th November – Year 4 & Year 3/4 walk to church

Wednesday 25th November – Reception topic day

Thursday 26th November – Coffee morning with our new Deputy & SENDCo

Friday 27th November – Year 3 walk to church

Wednesday 2nd December – KS1 village walk

Friday 4th December – Non-uniform day in exchange for a bottle donation

Wednesday 9th December – Year 1 & 2 Nativity Performance to parents at 2pm

Thursday 10th December - Year 1 & 2 Nativity Performance to parents at 2pm

Friday 11th December – Christmas Fayre (5:30-7:30pm)

Tuesday 15th December – Reception Christmas songs to parents 9:45am

Wednesday 16th December – Christmas lunch & Christmas jumper day

Thursday 17th December – Church Service

Friday 18th December – School finishes at 3:25pm, end of term

Monday 4th January – Teacher Training Day (pupils not in school)

Tuesday 5th January – Children return 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.

PE Changes

- **Deer class (Year 5/6)** will not have PE on Friday 27th November and Friday 4th December. The PE sessions will be on Wednesday 25th November and Wednesday 2nd December.

- **Rabbit class (Year 2)** will not have PE on Wednesday 25th November or Wednesday 2nd December. The PE sessions will be on Friday 27th November and Friday 4th December.

Poppy Appeal

Thank you to everyone who supported this year's Poppy Appeal. We are delighted to share that, through the generosity of our school community, we raised an amazing **£205.25** for the Royal British Legion.

A huge thank you to all the children, families and staff who contributed. We would also like to give a special thank you to our Year 6 House Captains, who did a fantastic job selling the poppies around school and helping to make the appeal such a success.

Your kindness and support will help the Royal British Legion continue its important work supporting serving and ex-serving members of the Armed Forces and their families. Well done, everyone!

Free Course

We are delighted to be hosting two free parent courses, open to all families within our school. These sessions provide a fantastic opportunity to learn practical strategies and gain valuable insights that can help support children both at home and at school.

The courses available are:

- Understanding Children's Behaviour
- Routines and Boundaries

Whether you are looking for ideas to help manage challenging behaviour, establish positive routines, or simply gain a better understanding of your child's needs, these courses offer useful advice and support in a welcoming environment.

Please see the attached flyers for full details about the course content, dates, venue and how to book your place. We would love to see as many families as possible attend and look forward to welcoming you.

We have had an enjoyable week, and everyone has once again been working hard. In our assemblies, we have continued to focus on trust, thinking about how we can behave in ways that encourage others to trust us and how trust is earned.

This has helped the children reflect on how they can be good friends and understand the importance of trust in our relationships with others. Rehearsals for our Christmas production are now well underway, and we are busy preparing Christmas decorations, Christmas lunch, and the many exciting events taking place this half term.

It is quickly becoming a very busy time of year, but it is certainly one filled with excitement. I hope you all have an enjoyable weekend and that the weather is a little warmer and drier!

Mr A. Morris

BIDFORD-ON-AVON PRIMARY SCHOOL

CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Everyone Welcome! ♡

A STRONGER SCHOOL
HAPPIER CHILDREN
BRIGHTER FUTURES ♥

A Magical Evening of Christmas Shopping, Food, Music & Festive Fun

BIDFORD-ON-AVON PRIMARY SCHOOL

CHRISTMAS MAKES HAPPIER DAYS

SCHOOL CHOIR PERFORMANCE ♪ ♫

GIFTS
TREATS
CRAFTS
FOOD
& MORE...

FRIDAY
11th DECEMBER 2026
5:30pm – 7:30pm

- RAFFLE
- TOMBOLA
- BAR
- HOT FOOD
- CAKE STALL
- CRAFT STALLS
- FESTIVE GAMES
- SCHOOL CHOIR PERFORMANCE

★ AND LOTS MORE... ★

SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY ♥

PROUDLY ORGANISED BY

BSA
BIDFORD SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

Small School
Big Community
Brighter
Tomorrows ♡

CHILDREN ♥ FAMILIES ♥ COMMUNITY ♥ BRIGHTER TOMORROWS

Messy Church®

PREPARING FOR CHRISTMAS

Saturday 21 November
2 – 4 pm

St Laurence's Church,
Bidford

Families with children of all ages welcome

Free, donation welcome

OPEN DOORS

No need to book

curate.stlaurences@heartparishes.org.uk

theBarn
www.thebarn.org.uk

DATE CHANGE!

JOIN US FOR

MESSY CHRISTMAS

FRIDAY 18TH DEC
5-6.30PM



CRAFT GAMES FESTIVE FOOD

ALL FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN AGES 0-11 WELCOME
FREE EVENT - JUST COME ALONG FOR SOME CHRISTMAS FUN!
THEBARN, WATERLOO ROAD, BIDFORD B50 4JN

Warwickshire Family & Relationship Support Team

UNDERSTANDING CHILDREN'S BEHAVIOUR



A practical and supportive **free 90-minute** workshop for parents and carers .

WHAT WE'LL EXPLORE

- How children's brains develop and why this matters for behaviour
- The fight, flight, freeze response and how stress impacts children
- Behaviour as a form of communication
- Why connection supports positive behaviour
- Dr Bruce Perry's 'Regulate, Relate, Reason' approach to behaviour
- Practical ways to encourage emotional regulation

YOU'LL TAKE AWAY

- ☑ A deeper understanding of your child's behaviour
- ☑ Increased confidence in responding to challenging situations
- ☑ Practical tools you can use immediately at home
- ☑ Strategies you can use to strengthen your relationship with your child
- ☑ An understanding of how you can support your child's emotional wellbeing.

Bidford-on-Avon CE Primary School

Wednesday 20th January 2027

1:45pm-3:15pm

for more info and to book scan here



Warwickshire Family & Relationship Support Team

Routines & Boundaries

Helping our children to feel safe, secure and ready to thrive

A FREE 90 minute workshop for parents and carers.

WHAT WE'LL EXPLORE

✅Why routines are important for children's development and wellbeing

✅ How clear and consistent boundaries help children feel safe and secure

✅ Positive strategies for managing challenging behaviour

✅ How routines support sleep, learning, and emotional regulation

YOU'LL TAKE AWAY

✔️ Practical ideas to create effective daily routines at home

✔️ Tools and strategies for setting healthy boundaries

✔️ A better understanding of your child's developmental needs

✔️ Techniques to encourage positive behaviour and cooperation

✔️ Resources and tips to support your family's wellbeing

For all parents and carers
Bidford On Avon CE Primary School
Wednesday 10th February 2027

Scan here for more info and to book