



AUTUMN 1 2021

# BIDSTON VILLAGE CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

'Love Faith, Love People, Love Learning'



## NEWSLETTER



09.11.21	Parents evening
10.11.21	
11.11.21	

Please await further information

17.11.21- Photograph day  
(individual and sibling)  
19.11.21- Children in Need  
26.11.21- Flu vaccination

**Christmas performances-**  
**We will review and confirm the plans for Christmas performances closer to the time in line with COVID 19 guidance.**

**Children in Need 2021**  
**Friday 19th November**  
**Together we can'**  
**Wear spots to school**  
**and bring £1**



## Harvest Festival

We were blown away by the generosity of donations from the parents and children in our school. The donation will go to great use for people in need at Thompsons Mission.



## Hats of Faith

Five Year 3 children were selected to attend St James Church, New Brighton. The idea was to learn about different head garments worn by different religions and to understand that the headgear doesn't define us. It's how we behave towards each other and the respect we show other religion's that matters.



## BUG CLUB

Bug Club's online reading world is home to all of the Bug Club eBooks, fun quizzes, games, and rewards, as well as a new Grown-ups area to support parents.

**Remember to use your bug club log-ins to access a variety of different books!**

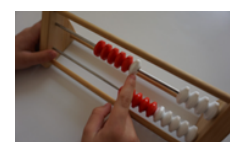


## Reminder

If a child is unwell- you must report your child's absence to the school office. Please try and avoid Doctor and Dentist appointments during school hours.

## Mastering Number

We are delighted to be taking part in a new number programme this year. This project aims to secure firm foundations in the development of good number sense for all children from Reception through to Year 1 and Year 2. The aim is that children will leave KS1 with fluency in calculation and a confidence and flexibility with number. Children will take part in daily teaching sessions of 10 to 15 minutes, in addition to their normal maths lesson.



# What have we been learning about?

## EARLY YEARS

### SUNFLOWERS AND NURSERY-

In Sunflowers this half term our topic has been 'animals'. We have read a variety of animal stories by Rod Campbell. We have played animal movement games and had lots of fun being creative making animal masks, paintings and patterns. In nursery this half term our topic has been 'Ourselves'. We have enjoyed talking about our families and how special they are. We enjoyed reading and sharing Elmer stories, looking at Elmer's family and friends.

### RECEPTION-

Fantastic Foundation 2 made a great start. We are really proud of how our Reception pupils have settled into school. It has not been easy given the past 18 months, and we have had many tired children in the afternoons, who are now really ready for half term. Despite this, we are so pleased with their progress- especially in phonics. The children have loved our text about the Gingerbread man. We have seen some fabulous craft, model making, story-telling and writing linked to this topic.

### EIB 1

#### (Educational Inclusion Base)

EIB1 had a surprise visit from the Gingerbread man. He made a flour trail to our class and then left us all the ingredients for our class to make their own biscuits. We had lots of fun!

## KEY STAGE 1

### YEAR 1-

We have been so impressed with how well the children have adapted to making the jump from F2 to Year 1! We have been reading the story of Lost and Found and have created some beautiful writing with lots of talking in role play. In history we have explored our family tree's and produced some incredible homework! We went on an autumn walk to explore materials in science. We have been getting to know Jigsaw Jack too to support our emotional literacy.

### YEAR 2-

Year 2 have had an action packed first half term. We have travelled around the United Kingdom sampling foods from England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales. It was a tie between scones and shortbread for their favourite! We had a huge focus on the value of numbers and lots of fun with our English story Troll Swap. They have fully engaged in lots of science experiments about materials. We think they will love our time travel back to find out about The Great Fire of London in Autumn 2.

### EIB 2

have been using the topic of the Rainforests for our learning this term. We have investigated the animals and plants that can be found in the four layers of the rainforest in Geography and even created our own animals who have adapted to their environment in science. We studied the indigenous people who live there and built model houses in DT. Look out for our window butterflies and collage artwork.

## KEY STAGE 2

### YEAR 3-

Year 3 have settled really well into the juniors, and are enjoying feeling grown up. In history they have been learning about the Stone Age, they produced some fabulous "cave paintings" in the dark, by the light of torches. They have enjoyed our class book, Seal Surfer, especially the role play and storytelling aspects. In music, they have learned to play simple tunes on the xylophones. They have been rock detectives in science too!

### YEAR 4-

In Year 4 we have been finding all about the artist L.S. Lowry. We loved how his pictures were so simple but interesting and we especially liked his matchstick men and matchstick cats and dogs. We've all had a really good go at doing our own Lowry paintings. We also really enjoyed our science workshop on Solids, liquids and gas where we were able to take part in some fun investigations.

### YEAR 5 -

This half term, year 5 have enjoyed learning about the Ancient Greeks in History and thoroughly enjoyed taking off in our North American Airlines flight simulation to explore North America! Within art, the children have been looking at the power of love across a variety of artists and have LOVED following art tutorials to draw symbols of love.

### YEAR 6-

Year 6 have had a great start to the year and a busy half-term. It's been very sporty with two weeks of swimming and a great football session with Tranmere Rovers. We also worked with Hi-impact completing two workshops- periscopes up which linked with our science topic of light and Co-Spaces where we created our own 3-d rainforest with moving animals. We're looking forward to working with Thumbs Up for our mental health and well-being.

## TEN TO NINE BE ON TIME

Whole school attendance- 92%

Class with the highest attendance- 6A with 96.1%

# Gallery from Autumn 1

