



**AUTUMN 1 2022**

# **BIDSTON VILLAGE CE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**'Love Faith, Love People, Love Learning'**



## **NEWSLETTER**



### **AUTUMN 1 PEOPLE OF THE HALF TERM**



This half terms musician is Dolly Parton.  
This half terms sportsman is Marcus Rashford.

### **Parent App**

PLEASE REMEMBER TO FOLLOW OUR INVITATION AND DOWNLOAD OUR SCHOOL APP. ALL MESSAGES, NEWS, LETTERS, EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND UPDATES ARE COMMUNICATED VIA THE APP. PLEASE GET IN CONTACT WITH THE OFFICE IF YOU NEED ANY ASSISTANCE.



### **MENU LAUNCH**

Following consultation with the children, we are launching our new hot dinner menu after half term. Remember that all EYFS and KS1 children are entitled to a free school meal every day!

### **Dates for your diary in autumn 2-**

- 14.11.22- Anti-Bullying Week- Odd Socks Day
- 18.11.22- Children In Need
- 07.12.22- Christmas Jumper Day
- 07.12.22- Christmas Dinner Day
- 14.12.22- Altru Theatre Performance in school
- 20.12.22- School Closes for Christmas.



### **Extra Curricular clubs!**

We have got a lot of exciting extra-curricular clubs planned for this year for before school and after school for all ages. Keep an eye out on Parent App to apply when they get released.

### **ATTENDANCE**

To meet our whole school attendance target of 95%, we have updated our attendance policy and practices. We will be launching a new programme after half term which includes regular rewards for good attendance, both for children and families. Details of our new strategy can be found in a leaflet which will be given out during Parents' Evenings.



**Attendance  
Matters**

Every student. Every day.

# WHAT HAVE WE BEEN LEARNING ABOUT IN AUTUMN 1?

## EARLY YEARS

**Sunflowers-** In Sunflowers this half term our topic has been 'animals'. We have enjoyed 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.

**Foundation 1-** Firstly can I just say thank you so much for such a lovely welcome into the school and for the warm welcome by all the families in my new class. This half term we have been so busy developing our listening skills, taking turns and participating in a range of carpet time activities. We have explored our families and what it means to be us. Thank you again, to all parents who supported school by sending in pictures from home. It really helped in developing children's oracy. All the nursery staff are looking forward to next half term, and our new topic celebrations

**Reception-** Our FS2 classes have had a super start to the learning. They have settled well and are enjoying the new challenges of school. We are encouraged to see how quickly they are learning phonic sounds in our daily RWI lessons. Well done for sending reading logs and book-bags in each day. The children have been super creative already, by painting portraits, Elmer, colour monsters and their own artwork too.

## KEY STAGE 1

**YEAR 1-** The children have made the big jump from F2 to Year 1 so well. In Year 1 we loved reading our new book 'Lost and Found'. We have produced some fantastic writing and have been working hard on our handwriting and using capital letters and full stops. We have drawn some beautiful self portraits and used different apps to recreate our portraits in the style of Andy Warhol. We are excited for Forest Schools next half term!

**YEAR 2-** Year 2 have settled into work with great maturity and enthusiasm. As well as our maths and English activities we have a jam packed timetable which the children are adapting to. They loved the morning with Hi-impact finding out about bees and having the opportunity to look at bees in a hive up close. We are currently working our way around the countries of the United Kingdom.

**EIB1-** This half term EIB1 have been learning through the story of The Gingerbread Man. We have been counting his buttons, labelling the characters in the story and even designing a cake for Mr and Mrs Baker's competition! The Gingerbread Man left us lots of things to make and do but he ran away so we didn't get to thank him. We looked in the other classrooms but still no luck! If you ever see him around the school, please let us know.

-EIB2-We had a fabulous morning with Hi Impact using LEGO We-Do. We used LEGO to build a series of robots and coding on the iPads to control them. We had a second session learning all about bees when Mr Ravenscroft brought his "hive" in to show.

## KEY STAGE 2

**YEAR 3-** Year 3 have enjoyed a visit to the Wirral Deen Centre, where we learned about the Muslim faith, as part of our RE topic on World Religions. We have investigated forces in science, discovered about our local area in history and identified lines of latitude in geography. We have been coding in computing and choreographing a dance in PE.

**YEAR 4-** We've had a very busy half term. We have sorted everyone into groups for spelling and maths and we've been working on learning about numbers up to 1000. In English, we've been finding out about fronted adverbials to make our sentences more interesting. In geography we've looked at earthquakes and volcanoes and for history, The Romans. We had a great day in Chester finding out about Roman warfare and why they came to Chester.

**YEAR 5-** This half term we have been learning about the Ancient Greeks and we have even taken a flight across North America to see famous landmarks and different countries. In art, we are exploring 'The Power of Love!' Children have enjoyed drawing symbols of love using art tutorials on YouTube and focusing on the artists Gustav Klimt and Auguste Rodin.

**YEAR 6-** Year 6 have settled well into their new year group. It's been a busy half term with swimming, a 'Rovers Against Racism' workshop and a Hi-Impact workshop, 'Periscopes up', which linked with our science topic of light.

## AUTUMN 1 ATTENDANCE TEN TO NINE BE ON TIME

**AUTUMN 1 WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE- 93%**

**OUR WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE TARGET- 95%**

**CLASS WITH THE HIGHEST ATTENDANCE IN AUTUMN 1- 1J WITH 97%**

Please remember booking holidays and medical appointments during term time is highly disruptive to your child's education. The Local Authority will consider issuing an Education Penalty Notice. If you are concerned about your child's attendance or punctuality please contact school.