

SUMMER 1 2023

BIDSTON VILLAGE CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

'Love Faith, Love People, Love Learning'



NEWSLETTER

Pon't get stressed ...



Just do your best! Remember you've been blessed... With skills that sATS PON'T TEST!



Congratulations to all the fantastic children in Year 6 and Year 2 who completed their SATS tests. The papers were very challenging but you all responded with resilience and enthusiasm. Your teachers are all very proud of you. Well done!

STAFF NEWS

After 16 years at our school, Mrs Mawdsley, our Year 1 teacher, is leaving us at the end of this term to take up a new post. We hope you will join us in wishing her the very best for the future. She will be sorely missed and we thank her for all of her dedication and hard work during her time at Bidston Village.





We hope you enjoyed the poetry performances across the school. The children used our Voice 21 principles and performed their poems confidently and clearly!

10/07- Nursery-(morning session children 9:15am & afternoon session children 1:30pm) 11/07- EIB1 (2:15pm) 12/07- Reception (9:15am) 12/07- Year 1 & Year 2 (1:30pm) 13/07- Year 3, Year 4 & EIB2 (9:15am) 13/07- Year 5 & Year 6 (1:30pm)

and clearly!

Important dates

06.06.23- Summer 2 term starts

- W/B 06.06.23- 16.06.23- Multiplication tables check Year 4
- W/B 12.06.23- Phonics screening test for Year 1 pupils
- 28.06.23- Year 6 residential to the Conwy Centre

Attendance

Thank you to all parents who have supported children to have good attendance to date. Our current school attendance is 93% (September- May) this is 2% below our target and we continue to do our best to address this. Please continue to advise us of reasons for any absences. Holidays taken during school time will not be authorised unless the circumstances are exceptional.

WHAT HAVE WE BEEN LEARNING ABOUT IN SUMMER 1?

EARLY YEARS

Sunflowers- This half term in Sunflowers our topic has been minibeasts. We enjoyed the stories 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' and 'The Very Busy Spider'. The children had a special delivery of very tiny caterpillars, which they watched transform into beautiful butterflies and then helped to release into the garden. We had a spectacular end to the half term with a special day of face painting and a minibeast show.

Foundation 1- This term we have been working hard with traditional tales. We have loved all the role play and small world story telling around the stories of 'The Three Little Pigs' and 'The Three Billy Goats Gruff'. These acticties have helped us to sequence stories and recall characters, their voices and repeated refrains. We have also celebrated the kings coronation, the Eurovision song contest and we even had a trip in school. The Bug Day we had was amazing! We learnt and had lots of fun touching and describing all the incredible lizards, geckos and snakes. Keep up this amazing work Nursery you are making all the teachers and your grown up's very proud.

Reception- F2 have loved our topic about pirates and the seaside. The children have learnt lots of new words, and can now talk about the features of a pirate ship. There are some amazing artists in our class too, who have shown exceptional drawing and painting skills. Our science project is ongoing, with our pumpkins, sunflowers and peas coming on nicely. The children loved seeing how quickly the cress grew. As always our maths skills are developing well, with super number skills present in our play activities.

KEY STAGE 1

YEAR 1- We have had a brilliant half term learning all about Neil Armstrong and received some incredible homework! We are loving our new English story 'The Lion Inside'. The children have been working hard practicing their phonics sounds ready for the phonics screening check soon! They did an amazing jobs at the poetry performance and were confident public speakers too. We have been practising our sports day activities too!

YEAR 2- Year 2 have been very busy doing their SATs but they handled them magnificently - many were unaware that there was anything different. We balanced it all out with some fabulous PE sessions with a mixture of games techniques such as agility and underarm throwing. We had great fun giving our partners directions which became a little trickier when they had a blindfold. Our Wednesday playtime jog is still well supported by Year 2 and EIB children.

EIB1- We enjoyed learning all about the countries that make up the UK. We made a play dough picture of Great Britain and labelled the countries with flags. We have loved our book this half term- 'Lost and Found'. We have been doing lots of work around the South Pole including some beautiful art work! In Science we have been learning about what plants need to grow and planted our own beans and sunflowers.

-**EIB2**- EIB2 were very excited about both the Eurovision content being hosted in Liverpool and the King's Coronation. We learnt lots of facts about both and celebrated with a magnificent cake baked by our own Mrs Knight (aka Mary Berry)

KEY STAGE 2

YEAR 3- Year 3 had a fabulous trip to the World Museum in Liverpool, where we took part in a workshop on how the Egyptians prepared important people for the afterlife. It was fascinating and we all learnt a lot! The children behaved beautifully and we were so proud of them. This term, we have begun to learn how to play the clarinet. We now know how to assemble a clarinet, play G and E and look forward to being able to read music.

YEAR 4- Year 4 had a great time swimming this half term. All the children made great improvements. We also did a workshop with Hi-Impact learning how to use programmable lego. We have been enjoying our book 'Where the forest meets the sea'.

YEAR 5- Year 5 have had a very creative half term. We have enjoyed taking part in a High Impact workshop where we built windmills. In addition, the children designed and built their own outside classrooms using their knowledge of arch structures. We went to Bidston Hill and used iPads to take photographs of the local area. After that, we used Digimaps to locate features in the locality on an OS map. The children then uploaded the pictures on to the map. We also wrote our own inspirational climate change poem.

YEAR 6- Year 6 have worked hard for their SATs and been writing lots. We had a popcorn party and film to celebrate all their efforts! We've also had some fun too: we've done yoga, a Google Earth project and dissected hearts and lungs in science with Hi-Impact. We are proud of the beautiful creative writing they are producing.