



## BIDSTON VILLAGE CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

SUMMER TERM NEWSLETTER - JULY 2022



Dear Parents/ Carers,

The summer holidays are fast approaching and I could not let this school year come to an end without thanking you all for the support and encouragement that you have given, both to your children and to the school.

It has been another busy year and your support has been greatly appreciated, as always. Our partnership with parents and carers partnership is most important to us, as it is this which enables us to ensure that your children develop, not only across all areas of the curriculum, but also as confident, respectful, caring individuals.

All staff pride themselves on the good relationships that we have developed, with children and yourselves. Long may this continue! With this in mind please remember that we are always ready to listen to your suggestions and/or concerns. Please call in and ask to talk to either myself or any member of staff, at any time, and we will do our best to get back to you as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,  
L. Hazeldine

### **END OF YEAR REPORTS**

All end of year reports went out last Wednesday and these give a detailed picture of your children's progress and attainment. Where there are concerns regarding attendance this has been highlighted and I do hope that parents/ carers will work with us to support children to attend more regularly where possible as this enables children to benefit from all that we have to offer on a daily basis.

### **NEWCOMERS IN SEPTEMBER**

We are delighted to welcome some new staff to Bidston Village from September 1<sup>st</sup>. Mr Blagg will be joining us as our new Nursery teacher. Miss Wall is our new EIB1 teacher. Mrs Wilkes is the new EIB1 teaching assistant and Mr Awang (teaching assistant) will be joining us to support a number of our children with additional needs. I am sure that you will join me in welcoming these staff to our school. They are all very excited to start their new posts.

### **LEAVERS**

Our Year 6 pupils will be leaving us at the end of term. They are due to perform their leavers' assembly for parents and carers tomorrow morning (Thursday 21<sup>st</sup>) at 9.30am. They are performing for the rest of the school this morning and are then due to have their end of year party this afternoon. We will miss them all and hope that they all settle well into their new schools and have lots of success and happiness in the coming years.

Mrs Shires (Our SENDCO) is leaving us to spend more time at home with her family. She has been a very valuable member of the team and she will be greatly missed. We wish her all the best for the future. Mrs Fallon has been sharing the role of SENDCO with Mrs Shires this year and will take over this role in September with support from Miss Wall (EIB1) and Mrs Jones (EYFS)

Miss Latimer is taking a year's sabbatical from her post and is due to go off on some great adventures. We wish her lots of fun and will see her back in school in September 2023.



## **STARS OF THE TERM**

Congratulations to the following pupils who have been chosen as stars of the summer term from every class in school. Parents/ carers of these pupils have been invited to our celebration assemblies on Thursday afternoon when we will be presenting books and certificates to these children.

<b>Nursery</b>	<b>Rowan Boyd and Emily Berry-Robinson</b>
<b>Foundation 2</b>	<b>Melody Campbell and Bella Mazzone</b>
<b>Year 1</b>	<b>Harper Greer and Kane Bailey</b>
<b>Year 2</b>	<b>Scarlett Parsons and Bardia Mozafari</b>
<b>Year 3</b>	<b>Rosie Hearnden and Pria Hughes</b>
<b>Year 4</b>	<b>Evie Williams and Dastan Dyrka</b>
<b>Year 5</b>	<b>Darcy Ly and Lola Scott</b>
<b>Year 6</b>	<b>Cahill Redfern and Amelia Toomey</b>
<b>EIB classes</b>	<b>Daniel Connor and Sofia Johnson</b>

## **BIDSTON'S GOT TALENT**

Our BGT final has taken place in school on Monday and I was privileged to be one of the judges, alongside Reverend Joe. The standard of acts this year was excellent and teachers across school found it hard to choose year group finalists. The final was performed twice so that everyone in school could watch and we were treated to two great shows. It was very hard to choose between such talented children but, in the end, Winter Edwards was awarded first place for her impressive singing. Second place went to the 'Gymnastics Girls' (Lola Scott, Pippa Ascroft, Gracie Allen, Kaira Connell, Leila- Rose Richards and Faith Galloway). Third place went to Logan Booth who is such a talented skipper.



The other finalists (Evie Williams, Scarlett Jones, Renee Weston, Olivia Forster, Rosie Allen, Joe Craven, Harry Hind- Jamieson, Crystal Hutchings, Freddie Dunne, Neveyah Jones, Pria Hughes, Rachael Hunter, Maisie Hearnden and Layla Smith) were brilliant too and they will receive certificates to take home.

## **EXTRA CURRICULAR AND OTHER ACTIVITIES**

Once again this term there have been several extra-curricular activities on offer to our pupils and these have been well attended to date. These have included football for Years 3 to 6, basketball and forest schools.

In the coming term we will be running after-school sessions in karate and gymnastics alongside morning activity clubs. We will send out further details at the start of the term.

Last week children from Y4 & 5, took part in a 'Standing Together- Remembering Srebrenica' tournament at Tranmere Rovers. Although, we didn't win the children showed resilience, determination and teamwork. The children were a real credit to our school; we are really proud of them.



Girls from Y4-6 took part in a 'Standing Together' tournament to celebrate women in football. We played 4 matches- winning 3 and drawing 1. At the end of the competition, we were the overall winners. Well done girls- your behaviour and attitudes were a credit to our school!



## **GREEN ZONE AWARDS FOR GOOD BEHAVIOUR**

I continue to be extremely proud of the excellent behaviour of the majority of children in our school. This is frequently commented upon by visitors to the school and also by members of the public when we go out on educational visits. Not surprisingly, therefore, we are due to award certificates for excellent behaviour to a large number of children (305 pupils) who have managed to stay in green zone all term. This is a great achievement and children deserve to have it celebrated both at home and in school!

## **RESILIENCE AND BUCKET FILLER AWARDS**

Once again this year we will be presenting trophies to acknowledge pupils in Year 2 and Year 6 who have either shown resilience or been a bucket filler (looking out for others and having a caring attitude). These trophies are awarded in memory of two very dear colleagues who are sadly no longer with us.

The Rachael Tlili Resilience awards for 2021-22 go to Aaleigha-Hope Williams-Trevor (Y2) and Harry Hughes (Y6).

The Becky Hall Bucket Filler awards go to Teddy Platt (Y2) and Jacob McCurry (Y6).



## **ATTENDANCE AWARDS - 'EVERY DAY COUNTS'**

Thanks to all parents and carers who have supported children to attend school as regularly as possible throughout the year. Our overall attendance figure for 2021-2022 is 91.17% which is quite a way from our school target of 95%. However, I am aware that Covid-19 has impacted on this figure and term time holidays have also had a negative impact. From the start of the new term, we will be launching a new attendance strategy which will include several new awards for both families and pupils. Details of our new practices will be sent out in September.

Congratulations to Hugo Hartley-Wilbraham, Leo Ross, Harry Walch, Elise Wilkinson, Libby Dolton and Molly Dolton who have had an impressive 100% attendance this year. They will be presented with certificates and prizes during our end of year attendance assembly, along with termly certificates for excellent, very good and greatly improved attendance.

Huge congratulations to Noah Hirst (Year 6) who has had an impressive attendance of 99.79% throughout his time at Bidston Village (2015-2022). He will receive a special trophy for this fantastic achievement.

## **RESIDENTIAL VISITS**

Earlier this term, 32 of our Year 6 pupils had a fantastic time at The Conway Centre in North Wales. They took part in a variety of outdoor activities, including paddle boarding, kayaking, sea level traversing and high ropes. They also had a campfire. Mr Jones led the visit and, along with other staff who went (Miss Abraham, Miss Taylor and Miss Black), he was extremely impressed with the behaviour and 'have a go' attitude of all children who attended.

Unfortunately this year, we were unable to book a Barnstondale residential for our Year 4 pupils. However, I am pleased to inform you that next school year we intend to run residential trips for both Year 4 and Year 6 pupils. You will receive further information after the summer holidays.

## **FAMILY SUPPORT AND LEARNING**

This term, Bev, our Family Support Worker has run another successful series of Nurture Group training sessions for parents of children in school. This week was the final week and all parents received certificates for participation in the programme. (See photograph below)



She has successfully supported many families and children in school throughout the year and, alongside myself, she has taken the lead on safeguarding within school.

Bev has requested that I include the following links to summer activities and other relevant information for families (see below).

[www.crea8ingcommunity.com](http://www.crea8ingcommunity.com)

<https://activewirral.com/active-all-sports-programme-summer-2022/>

<https://familytoolbox.co.uk/>

<https://wirral.foodbank.org.uk/>

## **S4YC Before and After School Provision**

Just a reminder to any parents/ carers needing childcare, at the start or end of the school day, that our before and after school club is open every morning from 7.30am and every afternoon until 5.45pm. This is run by S4YC who can be contacted via [www.s4yc.schoolipal.co.uk](http://www.s4yc.schoolipal.co.uk) or you can contact [kaye@s4yc.co.uk](mailto:kaye@s4yc.co.uk) (07717383702) or [paula@s4yc.co.uk](mailto:paula@s4yc.co.uk) (07581075534)

**PLEASE NOTE- SCHOOL CLOSURES THIS THURSDAY (21<sup>st</sup> July).**

(See below for term times and school holidays for 2022-2023)

**AUTUMN TERM 2022**

**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September- Staff training day**

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September – Staff training day**

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September- School opens (Autumn 1)**

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October- School closes for half term (1 week)**

**Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October- School opens (Autumn 2)**

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December- School closes for Christmas (2 weeks)**

**SPRING TERM 2023**

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January - School open (Spring 1)**

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February- School closes for half term (1 week)**

**Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February – Staff training day**

**Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February- School opens (Spring 2)**

**Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March- School closes for Easter (2 weeks)**

**SUMMER TERM 2023**

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April – Staff training day**

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April- School opens (Summer 1)**

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May – May bank holiday**

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May - School closes for half term (1 week)**

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June- Staff training day**

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June - School opens (Summer 2)**

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July – School closes for summer**