



Bidbury Infant

NEWS

November 2022

Shoebboxes



Thank you for all your contributions with supporting the Shoebox Appeal this year. The boxes were collected on Wednesday 2nd November and 37 boxes were counted! This is fantastic and will make Christmas special for lots of children. Thank you to Posy, Ollie, Edward and Matilda for their help carrying the boxes on Wednesday.



Phonics Showcase



On Monday 14th November we are delivering a Phonics information evening to families. The aim of this is to share our approach to teaching phonics and offer advice on how to help your child at home with their reading. The presentation will begin at **5pm** in the school hall and should last around 30 minutes. We look forward to seeing you



Christmas

We are all getting excited about Christmas at Bidbury already and making plans for sharing the children's experiences with you. Please see the diary attached to this newsletter for information regarding Class **Christmas Performances**.

MacMillan Coffee Morning



Money Raised

Thank you to everyone who came to school on Friday 30th September to support our MacMillan Coffee morning. We had a very positive turn out and raised an impressive £430.11 for MacMillan Cancer Support!



Attendance and Lateness



We have had a high number of holiday requests. Please note we are unable to authorise requests for absence for a family holiday and therefore could result in a penalty notice being issued.

Important Dates

Please see attached 'Dates for your Diary'



PTA

We would love to start up a new Parent Group to support us with fundraising for our children's education and experiences. If you are willing and able to help in any way at all, please let us know!



Community Celebrations



Congratulations to Henry for gaining his 5th Belt (Green with white stripe) in Martial Arts! What an achievement! We are very proud of you, Henry—well done!



If you would like your child to feature in the next newsletter to share your achievements and celebrations please email your details along with photographs to:
adminoffice@bidbury-inf.hants.sch.uk

November



Bidbury Bears

When collecting your child from Bidbury Bears After School Club, should you feel uncomfortable walking around the school, particularly when it gets darker, please call the team and someone will bring your child to the front door for you to collect.

The telephone number for Bidbury Bears is:

07563 304504

Car Boot Sale



Sorry! Due to time and workload, we are unable to carry out our promise of a car boot sale this side of Christmas. We hope to rally volunteers to help to organise the next one... please let us know if you are keen to help!

P.C.S.O.s



Our local PCSOs Alex and Georgia, visited our school this week to meet with the children and staff. We aim to strengthen our relationship with the local police in order to keep our community safe. Look out for Alex and Georgia and don't forget to say hello!

Family Links



All parents are invited to a Family Links information morning at Barncroft Primary School on Friday 25th November 9:30am—11:00am. Refreshments will be provided. You will have the opportunity to talk with our Home School Link Worker, Mrs Thumwood and other parents about behaviour and routines at home. Please do go along!

Clothes Bank



Our new clothes bank will be arriving in the next couple of weeks!

If you're thinking of making space in your wardrobe, please do bring any unwanted clothing, shoes, bed linen or old soft toys to drop into the clothes bank—our school will receive 30p for each kilo collected!

Skipping Workshop

We have invited Skipping Workshops to work with our school, teaching different skipping skills to every class.

To help children & parents interested in encouraging skipping we have a series of brief videos that illustrate various skills & challenges <http://www.skipping-workshops.co.uk/videos/>

Their aim is to introduce modern and traditional skipping games including individual rope tricks, speed skills and Double Dutch, back into the playground and into the PE curriculum.



Current Vacancies at Bidbury Infant School

Lunchtime Supervisors

We are looking for enthusiastic people to join our wonderful school and look after our children at lunch time! Please visit the following link for more details:

<https://hampshire.education-jobs.org.uk/Vacancy/Details/102688/L1ZhY2FuY3kvU2VhcmNoUmVzdWx0cz9yZXRyaWV2ZUZpbHRlcj10cnVI>

Breakfast Club Assistant

We are looking for a Breakfast Club Assistant, for three mornings per week, starting as soon as possible. Please visit the following link for more details:

<https://hampshire.education-jobs.org.uk/Vacancy/Details/102659/L1ZhY2FuY3kvU2VhcmNoUmVzdWx0cz9yZXRyaWV2ZUZpbHRlcj10cnVI>

Our Golden Gems

We have changed our strategies to promote positive behaviour.

Our new values of **Resilience, Respect, Independence** and **Self-Regulation** are the focus for all our work.

Children receive a 'Gem of the Day' certificate (replacing Star of the Day) for demonstrating one of the values.

One child per class will receive a 'Golden Gem' Certificate for demonstrating all four values that week.

The Golden Gem Achievers for October were:

Emerald Class: Eva M, Jake C, and Matilda B

Opal Class: Jan P, Ethan B and Toby-James L

Topaz Class: Harrison B, Ava W and Blossom R

Onyx Class: Max D, Freddie B and Star P

New Year R Open Days 2022-2023

Wednesday 9th November @ 9:30am

Tuesday 22nd November @ 1:30pm

Monday 5th December @ 1:30pm

(Please call the office to book your place on one of the open days: 02392 483336)

Inset Days 2022-2023

(No school for children)

Tuesday 3rd January 2023

Friday 21st July 2023

Dates for your Diary Autumn 2022

Phonics Showcase	Monday 14th November	5:00pm— If you didn't come along to the first showcase held in September please join us to find out about how we deliver the teaching of phonics and
National Maths Week	Wb 14th November	
Maths Workshop for Families	Friday 18th November	All families are invited to join us in school to share maths activities with the children for an afternoon.
Children in Need—dress up 'maths themed!	Friday 18th November—(Maths Week)	
National Anti-Bullying Week	Wb 14 November	
Pantomime for all children Christmas Jumper Day	Thursday 1st December	
Year R Christmas Performance	Monday 12th December	Two Guests per child (no younger siblings please)
Year 1 Christmas Performance	Tuesday 13th December	Two Guests per child (no younger siblings please)
Year 2 Christmas Performance	Wednesday 14th Decem- ber 3:30pm	Two Guests per child (no younger siblings please)
Christmas Dinner	TBC	Served in the school hall at lunchtime
Christmas Parties	Last Week of Term	