



June 2023

Bidbury Infant

NEWS

Highest Attendance for March/April

The class with the highest attendance for
May was:

Diamond Class—97%



Well done, Diamond!

Dates for the Diary

Thursday 29th June—Sports Day

Friday 30th June—Songs & Rhymes for New Year
R families

Monday 3rd July—Fire Service Visiting Year 2

Friday 7th July—End of Year Reports

Monday 17th July—Year 2 Leavers Event

Tuesday 18th July—Year 2 Leavers Production

Thursday 20th July—Last Day of Term

Celebrating Learning at Bidbury

In Year R...

Jane and Harold the giraffe visited to deliver a PSHE workshop. We had a recap of all our PSHE learning so far and learnt all about our body and the organs that are important to keep us healthy. We then helped Harold the giraffe pack his bag for his sleepover at his granny and grandads house.

We have been having salsa lessons from Miss Soriano! We have learnt the forward step and mastered the side step.



Celebrating Learning at Bidbury

In Year One...

In DT, we made smoothies!

We learnt how to use a knife safely. The children worked amazingly as a team! Well done!



We had a great time during our visit to the church. All the children were extremely well-behaved, showing 'Major Respect' and enjoying exploring the special place for Christians, as part of our RE learning.

In Year Two...

Year Twos have written bonfire poems about the Great Fire of London



An unexpected visitor came to Bidbury! It was a baker from the Great Fire of London. We asked lots of questions to find out more about the event.



Children acted the story of the Titanic after listening to the story, Tom and the Titanic.



Art Exhibition

Well done to all the children for creating art work worthy of exhibiting in a gallery this term...



We raised...

Over £120!

...and thank you to you, our families, for supporting the children and Bidbury by purchasing the framed art to raise much needed funds for our school.

Requesting Days out of School

We can only authorise absence for exceptional circumstances.

We are receiving an increasing number of requests for absence for family holidays and these are the majority of these are not authorised. Therefore, if such absence is 5 days or more in 100 days, we have to issue a penalty notice to parents. The fine is £60 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.

Please note, schools do not receive the fines parents pay, the money goes directly to Hampshire County Council.

Hot Weather

As the days are getting hotter this term, please provide sun cream, water bottles and sun hats (all named please!). We are not able to put sun cream on your children in school so would recommend putting cream on them in the morning before school and then we can give children their cream for them to put on themselves if needed later in the day.

Drinks in School

Please only send unflavoured water to school in the children's drinks bottles. Water will be available for all children at lunchtime. If your child has a medical reason which requires them to be provided with an alternative to water, please share medical evidence with the school office. Thank you for your co-operation.





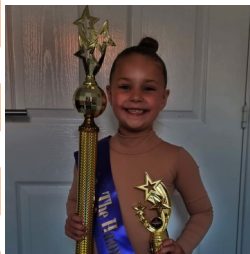
Thank you for litter picking in our community, Daisy!

Daisy in year one has become really interested in saving the planet and is worried about the effects the litter is having on our environment.

She has also been doing lots of recycling at home!



Well done, Layla, for achieving trophies for your dancing skills!



1st Place Fast Dance & 4th Slow Dance



1st Place Slow Dance, 2nd Place Fast Dance & 3rd Place Pairs with Dance



Congratulations to Eva who has taken her first dance exam in Primary Modern and received a Pass with Merit!

Have you succeeded in achieving something outside of school recently? Perhaps a swimming certificate or a football trophy? We would love to hear about your achievements so we can add them to our next newsletter! Send in a photo and a brief explanation of your achievement to:
adminoffice@bidbury-inf.hants.sch.uk

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Sports Day

This year we are excited to welcome you back to share Sports Day with us. Last year's Sports Day was so much fun and we hope we can have another great Bidbury celebration of all the children have learned this year. Our Sports Day will be held on Thursday 29th June on the Junior School field.

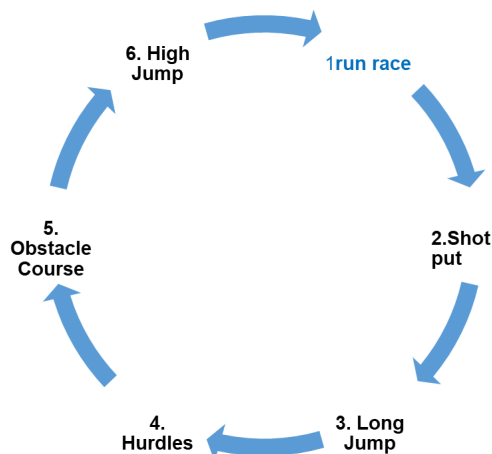
Please see the itinerary below:

9:30-9:45 am	Families arrive on the field.	Area to be marked where parents can set up to view
9:45-10:00 am	Children make their way to the field in groups	Go to their first station with school adult
10:00-11:30	Sports activities	See below to see your child's route
11:30-12:00	Teachers race and Parents Race	Please join in!
12:00	Children to return to the classroom in their groups to pick up belongings	Families make their way to the picnic area at the back of the ks1 classrooms (Year 1 & 2 playground)
12:00-1:00	Family picnic	School adults will bring the children to their families on the playground where they can share a picnic – your children will be signed out at this point.
1:00	Medal and winning house announced	Details of the houses explained below
1:15-1:30	Children to go home with adults	

For any parents/families who cannot attend please do not worry your child will remain with their school adults until normal pick up time

This year we are continuing the tradition we began last year and all the children will be put into houses to encourage team work as well as individual successes. The focus of the houses this year is GB Olympic/ Paralympic athletes who may be medal contenders in the 2024 games in Paris.

The children will be competing for their house on Sports Day and the house with the most tokens will win. We feel that a healthy competitive element to Sports Day is important as it builds resilience and competing for their house is a way that the children can support each other and work together. We hope to announce the winning house before you leave on the day.



Teacher Union Strikes

England's largest teaching union has announced two more days of national strike action this term after the education secretary declined to restart negotiations.

Teacher members of the NEU will strike on **Wednesday 5 July** and **Friday 7 July**, after the NEU executive voted for further action.

We are again unsure how this will affect us at Bidbury Infant School but we will keep you updated as soon as we know more.

We would recommend that parents prepare for alternative childcare should the strikes lead to the school being closed or partially closed on these days.

Further information on the reasons for teacher strikes is in the school office, supplied by representatives of the NEU. It is important not to rely on the media for a true picture of what truly motivates teachers to make this difficult decision.

Transition to New Classes

Over the last few weeks of term, children will meet their new teacher for next year!

The current date for transition is Wednesday 5th July, however due to the potential strikes this date is likely to be moved.

More information will follow as soon as we know more, as this affects all schools in our district.

Teachers are in the process of creating new class lists for children new to years 1 and 2 and, once the children have spent the morning with their new teachers and classes on the transition day, they will come home with a note to share with you which will reveal the new class teacher's name!

Exciting changes ahead!

Our Golden Gems



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 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 **May** were:

Diamond: Mabel, James, Emiko

Ruby: Jack, Amelia, Alexander

Emerald: Freddie, Billy, Tilly

Opal: George, Ossie, Esme

Topaz: Whole Class, Charlie, Ryan

Onyx: Whole Class, Aria, Travis

Congratulations!

Class Photos

All proof cards have been given out and all orders can now be placed online with 'Yellow'.

Please let us know if you do not have your proof card—the office ladies can help!

Too Cool for School Day

Thank you all for your kind donations last Friday. Every class now has a new fan to keep us cool this summer!

Bidbury Bears

Breakfast/After School Club

New Terms and Conditions and Costings for September 2023 can now be found on our school website.

(Please note the £1 rise for each session)

Dates for your Diary Summer 2023

Thursday 22nd June	New Year R Teddy Bear Picnic 10:45am—Junior Field
Thursday 29th June	Sports Day (<i>Reserve Day Monday 3rd July</i>)
Friday 30th June	New Year R Songs and Rhymes Sessions
Monday 3rd July	Fire Service Visiting Year 2
Friday 7th July	End of Year Reports out to parents
Monday 17th July	Year 2 Leavers' Event
Tuesday 18th July	Year 2 Leavers' Production*
Thursday 20th July	LAST DAY OF TERM
Friday 21st July	INSET day

Inset Days 2022-2023

(No school for children)

Friday 21st July 2023

Inset Days 2023-2024

(No school for children)

Friday 1st September 2023

Tuesday 2nd January 2024

Monday 19th February 2024

Monday 22nd July 2024

Tuesday 23rd July 2024

* Details to follow