



Bidbury Infant



Christmas is Coming!

Friday 1st December— Christmas Jumper Day

Monday 11th December— Year 2 Christmas Performance at the church—2pm

Tuesday 12th December— Year 1 Christmas Performance at school—2pm

Wednesday 13th December— Year R Christmas Performance at school—2pm

Thursday 14th December— Christmas Lunch and Santa's Grotto



WOW! A huge thank you to everyone for the Harvest food donations.

We have delivered them to the PO9 Foodbank to help our community.



Community Coffee Mornings



Continuing on from last year, we will be holding Community Coffee Mornings at the Havant Rugby Club. We welcome guests to each session providing a supportive and informative space for all our families. Come along to meet other families for coffee and a chat!

Wednesday 22nd November 9:00am-11:00am—Guest: Family Support Service—Back to Basics

Rotary Shoebox Scheme



Thank you so much for all your kind donations of shoeboxes filled with gifts to spread a little happiness to disadvantaged children and adults in Eastern Europe.

Our Golden Gems



Our 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.

Congratulations to the following children for earning their Golden Gem in October:

Emerald— Holden S and James R

Opal— Pearl B and René A

Topaz— Huxley P and Daisy H

Onyx— Tilly F and Wilson M

Anti-Bullying Week 13-17 November 2023

We won't like everyone and we don't always agree, but we can choose respect and unity.

This Anti-Bullying Week let's come together to have discussions about what bullying means to us, how banter can turn into something more hurtful, and what we can do to stop bullying. Together, we can make a difference and take a stand against bullying.

From the playground to Parliament, and from our phones to our homes, let's talk about bullying and how to protect ourselves and others.

Please read the leaflet sent with this newsletter and share it with your child.

At Bidbury Infant School, we do not tolerate bullying of any kind and work together to keep everyone safe.

Check out the link below for more information:

https://anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/anti-bullying-week-2023-make-noise-about-bullying/parents-and-carers

Children in Need—Friday 17th November 2023

Challenge yourself to be SPOTacular!

We'd like to invite you to get SPOTacular to raise funds to help Children in Need to support projects and charities across the UK.

Come along in your spotty clothing and donate directly to our Just Giving page

Celebrating Learning at Bidbury

Year R—Curriculum focus









The children in Year R have been busy learning how to read and write letters as well as building sentences.

Celebrating Learning at Bidbury

Year 1





Lots of Maths learning in Year 1— Connie and Arthur both noticed that the even numbers are the same numbers we say when we count in 2s!

English

We will be reading 'Naughty Bus' and using this to inspire us to write a simple story. Our focus will be on organizing ideas into sequence, building effective vocabulary and joining sentences with the conjunction 'and'.

We will be reading 'Toys in Space' and using this to create a museum label for a toy artefact. Our focus will be on adjectives and conjunctions 'and', 'but' and 'because'.





Science

In science we will be learning to identify, name and compare a variety of materials. We will explore the suitability of the material an object is made from. We will be focusing on: plastic, wood, metal, glass, water and rock. We will complete experiments to explore the properties of each material.



Maths

Our maths learning will begin by introducing counting in 2s and discussing odd and even numbers. Alongside this we will begin to find half of a shape or a number. We will have a focus on 'teen number' counting and recognition and will continue to practice number bonds within 10.



History

As we explore changes within living memory we will focus on toys and how they have changed over time. We will make links to our Science learning on materials and will play with a variety of toys, both old and new, to compare materials used and changes that have been made.



Toy Time Travellers

Year 1 - Autumn 2

Art

We will be exploring the artist 'Andy Warhol' and his work, particularly focusing on primary and secondary colours as well as printing skills.



Music

We will be exploring the difference between pulse (regular beat) and rhythm (pattern of sounds).





RE

We will be exploring how candlelight is used as a religious symbol, particularly for Christians during advent and for Hindus during Diwali.



PSH

Our unit 'Valuing Difference' helps us to celebrate being unique. It reinforces the school rules and the importance of being kind to others, as well as celebrating friends and family.



PI

We will learn, develop and apply shapes and travel on the floor and apparatus through focused skill development and games.







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Year 2



In Maths, children have started learning about multiplication. They used Numicon and dienes to make number sentences.

Being creative with pastels—representations of fireworks

Children have been learning to use a digital device to take a photograph. They looked at the right way to take pictures and the importance of asking for permission before taking a picture of someone.





In English as a whole class, children ordered the story of Patten's Pumpkin on a story river. They then had their own river and pictures to order and tell the story in small groups.



Community Celebrations

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



Ernie wanted to share with everyone that he got picked by his coaches to be man of the match!

Well done, Ernie—we are very proud of you!

Time to Share Sessions

Time to share sessions are opportunities for all our families to come into classrooms at the end of the school day to see the what the children have been learning. You are invited to join us on the following dates this year:

Thursday 30th November 2023

Thursday 8th February 2024

Thursday 28th March 2024

Thursday 23rd May 2024

Please come along on these dates so your child can show off how hard they've been working!

| Dates for your Diary Autumn 2023 | |
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| 13th-17th November | Anti-Bullying Week |
| Wednesday 22nd November | Community Coffee Morning—Back to Basics at the Rugby Club, 9am — 11am |
| Wednesday 22nd November | Fire Service vising Year 2 |
| Thursday 30th November | Whole School Pantomime* |
| Friday 1st December | Christmas Jumper Day |
| Monday 11th December | Year 2 Christmas Performance at the Church 2pm* |
| Tuesday 12th December | Year 1 Christmas Performance in School 2pm* |
| Wednesday 13th December | Year R Christmas Performance in School 2pm* |
| Thursday 14th December | Christmas Lunch* |
| | Santa's Grotto* |
| | (Wear Christmas Clothing) |
| Friday 15th December | Last Day of Term |
| Tuesday 2nd January 2024 | INSET Day—School closed for children |
| Wednesday 3rd January 2024 | Return to School |

^{*} Details to follow

Inset Days 2023-2024

(No school for children)

Tuesday 2nd January 2024

Monday 19th February 2024

Monday 22nd July 2024

Tuesday 23rd July 2024

Open Days for Parents of New Entrants 2024

Wednesday 15th November 9:30am
Thursday 16th November 10:00am
Tuesday 21st November 1:30pm
Monday 4th December 1:30pm

Please call to book a visit!