



Bridstow CE Primary School Newsletter

Thursday 8th July 2021

Diary Dates

JULY

- **Tuesday 13th**
Hedgehog class trip to Perrygrove Railway
- **Monday 19th**
Bridstow Fun Day – own clothes day
- **Tuesday 20th**
Last Day early finish at 2pm

SEPTEMBER

- **Monday 6th**
All Pupils return to school
NB New Reception Intake staggered start for first 2 weeks

Our Value for July is:
RESPONSIBILITY

End of the Term

It has been a busy half-term for us in school. Although we have not had the public facing events you have become used to in previous years, this has not stopped many things happening and with the passing of each week we have less and less time to fit things in! I would like to take this opportunity to say a big thank you to all of our families for the understanding and support over another disrupted year of learning due to the Covid-19 Pandemic. I know how hard our staff have worked and your support has meant a great deal in some of the more challenging times.

As I look towards the end of term on Tuesday 20th July we have a number of exciting events to look forward to. I will be in contact again before the end of term to confirm arrangements for September – based upon recently published guidance from the Department for Education. However, as we all know, things may change before September! I hope the weather will remain good for the remainder of this term so that every class can make the most of our wonderful outdoors here at Bridstow.

Mr Brearey

Bridstow Fun Day

With the support of our lovely PTFA, Bridstow will be running a 'Fun Day' on Monday 19th July as a treat for the whole school. This will involve a Bouncy Castle treat for each class, a 'silent' disco in each bubble and a lunchtime picnic.

Children are invited to wear their own clothes for the day. It would be advisable that these are appropriate for wearing on a bouncy castle and for disco dancing!! This leaves a lot of scope...

Thank you also to the PTFA for supporting the Y6 Leavers' Special Event taking place tomorrow at an undisclosed location!

Hot Dinners

We will finally be returning to providing a daily hot school meal for all children in September. The first week back (Mon 6th Sept) will continue to be packed lunches. You will be able to pre-order a school packed lunch for the first week. However, from Monday 13th September, you will be able to order hot lunches. All children in Hedgehog and Squirrel classes will be entitled to a free school meal. Children in Otter and Badger classes (Years 3 to 6) will have the option to order and pay for hot lunches. NB Children currently entitled to Free School Meals will continue to be able to have a free lunch. Details of the new menu will be sent out at the beginning of September.

Whole School Transition

Today, all children had the opportunity to spend a short time with their new teacher for September. Every child should have brought home a welcome note from their new teacher. It was lovely to see the excitement from all the children this morning.

September Plans

As already mentioned, we will be in contact with all families before the end of term to confirm the arrangements for arrival and collection and in-school organisation. Mr Brearey will be writing a letter to be sent out before the end of the term.

Sun Awareness

Please ensure your child stays safe in the sun with an application of a once-a-day sunscreen on their faces, necks and arms before they come to school on days when the forecast looks bright. If children do bring sun cream into school to put on then please can you show them how to put it on themselves and make sure that the bottle/applicator (pump action sprays are the easiest and least messy) has their name clearly marked on it.

Photographs

We are aware the Year 6 Leavers photograph proofs have yet to be received from Tempest Photography. We are continuing to chase them up. Hopefully anyone who has ordered class photographs will receive them before the end of this term. We are aware that Tempest have a lot of school orders at the moment and are working hard to sort the backlog as soon as they can.

Charity Shop

The Ross community charity shop is selling items to raise money for the Bridstow School outdoor learning fund from Saturday 17th July until Friday 30th July.

If you have any items to donate please drop them off at school.

If you are able to give a morning or afternoon to volunteer to help in the shop please get in touch with the school either via admin@bridstow.hereford.sch.uk or nwallin@bridstow.hereford.sch.uk

Minibus

We are always looking out for more sponsorship. Should you be interested in sponsoring the bus (with your business logo / number to be displayed on the bus) please contact Mr Brearey on head@bridstow.hereford.sch.uk for more details.

Adriano's Soccer School – Summer Holiday Club

Adriano, one of our school sports coaches, will be running his ever popular Soccer School over the Summer break, 3 days per week for the whole summer. These are based in Hereford, but are very affordable. If you are interested and would like more details and how to book a place, please follow the link to Adriano's Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/AdrianoSoccerSchoolsOfficial>