



*Be courageous; Be strong. Do everything in love (1 Corinthians 16:13-14)*

## Bitterley CE Primary School Newsletter 12.06.26

### Attendance

WWC	94%
FFC	93%
MOC	93%



### Class structures for next year

Class	Year Groups	Teacher
Mighty Oaks	Year 5 and 6	Mrs France and Mrs Archer
Fantastic Firs	Year 3 and 4	Miss Dobbie
Wondrous Willows	Reception, year 1 and year 2	Miss Jones
Little Acorns	Nursery	Mrs Lacey

There will be a special transition morning for pupils to meet the teacher on Tuesday 7th July. There will also be an additional opportunity for parents to meet the new teacher Miss Dobbie on Friday 10th July at 3:30pm. We hope as many of you as possible will come along and say hello.

## Reminder - Visiting Author Laura Dockrill

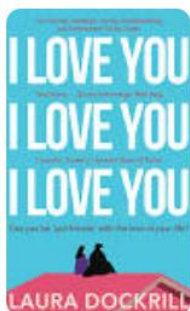
On Tuesday 16 June at 10am all families and friends of pupils in reception, year 1, year 2 and Year 3 pupils are invited to a special visit by Laura Dockrill.

Laura Dockrill is an award-winning children's author, illustrator, scriptwriter and performance poet who has been shortlisted for the Waterstones' Book of the Year prize and has twice been nominated for the Carnegie Medal. She is a poet-in-residence for Radio 1.

For this special event pupils will need to bring a pair of socks. Please see below.



Please help us provide a warm welcome by attending this event.



## Relationships, sex and health education

On Wednesday 17th June at 5pm, we would like to invite parents and carers to review the relationships, sex and health education (RSHE) provision at Bitterley School.

Our curriculum reflects our pupils' age and maturity levels, as well as their cultural and religious backgrounds, the values of our school community, every pupil's learning needs, and what pupils need to know to be healthy and safe in school, in their personal relationships and in the wider, ever-changing world. There will be a separate email providing more information and answers to frequently asked questions.

This meeting will provide an opportunity to review the teaching materials and ask any questions before these units are taught to pupils.

## KS1 Multiskills After School Club reminder

There are still spaces in our Multiskills after school club for any year 1 or 2 children that would like to attend. There is no charge for this club. Please contact the school office if your child would like to join.

## Well done!

Last weekend Josie found an injured/weak bird. She and her mum picked it up and took it to Cuan Wildlife Rescue. They told us it was a Jackdaw. A juvenile who was underweight but otherwise well. They popped him in a cage with other Corvid's and said they would feed him up then release him.

Josie was so impressed with what Cuan do she decided she wanted to raise some money for them. Josie and her mum decided to do a Bake Sale.

They cooked lots of cakes on Sunday and set up a little stall at home selling cakes and homemade lemonade and sent a message to some of their neighbours, and they really turned out for her. They didn't have a cake left, and she raised £52 for Cuan! One very happy and proud girl!



## Sports Day - Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June

We are looking forward to welcoming everyone to our Sports Day. Team colours will be sent out next week and children are welcome to wear a T-Shirt in their team colour.

Parents and carers are warmly invited to bring a picnic and eat with their children on the school field from 12.15pm. Please do not use the Forest School area under the trees at the bottom of the field. During this time, parents are responsible for their child.

Pupils will return to their classes at 1.15pm for registration.

We aim to start races at 1.30pm and should finish at approximately 2.50pm in time for the end of the school day. Pupils will be collected from classes by their parents and carers.

Please cancel your child's lunch for Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June if you are bringing a picnic for them.

***As in previous years, we will be cancelling school buses on this afternoon and ask that parents/carers take their children home with them once the races have concluded. If cancelling transport raises any issues for any parents/carers, please contact the school office by Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June.***



## Bitterleys' Got Talent - Wednesday 15th July 2-3pm

Do you have a talent that you would like to share with our school community?






You could:

- perform a poem, song or rap
- play a musical instrument
- perform a magic trick
- perform a dance routine
- performance art
- showcase football skills
- or something else...

Don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity to shine on stage.

**SPECIAL NOTICE** - Parents and carers are welcome to perform alongside pupils if you wish. Please let Mrs France know if you would like to perform. **Auditions taking place on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> JULY.**

## Learning Value Awards

					
	Enthusiasm	Determination	Perseverance	Creativity	Collaboration
Little Acorns	Lottie for great perseverance in our maths activity.				
Wondrous Willows	Ana for her enthusiasm in our RE peace painting work. Theo for his perseverance when recording an advert for a coastal resort in our Geography work.				
Fantastic Firs	Charlie D. for super science work exploring roots. Thomas for super tennis skills.				
Mighty Oaks	Effie for super 2D to 3D artwork. Charlie for super 2D to 3D artwork.				

## Little Acorns

Eddy the Teddy is going home with Amelia for being kind to her friends and kind to nature.



## TTRS AWARDS

All year 4 pupils for super effort and determination to complete the multiplication and times table check.

Charlie S. - Rock Legend

Archie - Rock Legend

## Handwriting Heroes

Wondrous Willows	Zara
Fantastic Firs	Joshua
Mighty Oaks	Pippa

## Dates for the diary

Please note that there may be occasions when a date may need to change due to unforeseen circumstances. Further detail about each event will be sent nearer the time.



### June

- 2.6.26 School photographs
- 1-12 June Multiplication and times table check, Year 4
- 8-12 June Phonics Screening, Year 1
- 9.6.26 Ludlow Castle Trip, Wondrous Willows
- 16.6.26 Visiting author - Reception, Yr 1, 2 & 3 parents welcome (10.00am)
- 23.6.26 Sports afternoon with parents and carers - 12.15pm
- 30.6.26 Back up sports afternoon
- 25.6.26 Year 6 leavers service at Hereford Cathedral (pupils only)
- 29.6.26 New Reception Parent meeting, 5-6pm

### July

- 6-7.7.26 Year 6 transition days at Lacon Childe School
- 7.7.26 Meet the new teacher
- 7.7.26 Optional Parents evening
- 7.7.26 Moving on morning
- 8.7.26 National sports week alternative sports session
- 8.7.26 Year 6 induction Day at Tenbury School
- 10.7.26 Meet the new teacher
- 14.7.26 Year 6 leavers assembly, 2:00pm
- 14.7.26 Year 6 leavers disco (whole school welcome)
- 15.7.26 Bitterley's Got Talent

**The Staff Team**



**Bitterley C.E. Primary School**  
**School Term and Holiday Dates 2025/26**

**Autumn Term**

Term Starts Wednesday 3rd September 2025  
Half Term Monday 27th October 2025- Friday 31st October 2025  
Term Ends Friday 19th December 2025

**Spring Term**

Term Starts Tuesday 6th January 2026  
Half Term Monday 16th February 2026 – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2026  
Term Ends Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026

**Summer Term**

Term Starts Monday 13th April 2026  
Half Term Monday 25th May 2026 – Friday 29th May 2026  
Term Ends Thursday 16th July 2026

**Staff Development days—children not in school**

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> and Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2025  
Monday 5th January 2026

**Please note: these dates differ slightly from those published by the  
Local Authority.**