



"Together we journey to a future of opportunity."



Friday 10th July

Newsletter

Message From Mrs Stevens

As we move into the final couple of weeks of the academic year, it is hard to believe that our Year 6 pupils are nearly ready to leave us and begin the next exciting chapter of their educational journey at secondary school. It is always a bittersweet time of year as we prepare to say goodbye.

This week saw our Year 6 residential take place, and what a fantastic few days it was! The trip began with a visit to the Harry Potter Studio Tour, linking perfectly to the pupils' recent Year 6 unit of work on

Harry Potter. The children loved seeing the sets, props and costumes from the films and were fascinated by the behind-the-scenes experience. Unsurprisingly, many of the children spent their hard-earned spending money on wands, eager to bring a little bit of Hogwarts magic home with them!

On Tuesday, the group spent a fun-filled day at Legoland. The children enjoyed a wide variety of rides and attractions throughout the park and made the most of every minute. Many pupils also treated themselves to some souvenirs, with Lego sets proving to be a particularly popular purchase.

The final day saw the children begin their journey home, stopping off at the Bristol Zoo Project along the way. The warm weather meant that many of the animals could be seen relaxing in the sunshine, and the children enjoyed observing a range of different species and learning more about their habitats and conservation.

Throughout the residential, the children were an absolute credit to the school. Their behaviour, manners and enthusiasm were exceptional, and they represented our school community brilliantly wherever they went. Most importantly, they had a fantastic time and created memories that will stay with them for years to come.

I would like to extend a huge thank you to the members of staff who gave up their time to accompany the trip and ensure that the children had such a wonderful experience. Their care, energy and dedication are greatly appreciated. I would also like to thank our parents and carers for their continued support in making the residential possible.

A special well done must also go to those Year 6 pupils who remained in school this week. They have been fantastic role models, helping in other classes and taking part in a range of enjoyable activities organised by Miss B, including creative artwork projects and a very popular water fight! It sounds as though they had a wonderful week too.

We are looking forward to making the most of the remaining time with our Year 6 pupils and celebrating all that they have achieved before they move on to their new schools in September.

Toys in school

We have made the difficult decision that we are no longer going to allow children to bring resins into school. Unfortunately, there have been several issues recently and this means that it is now unmanageable for staff to deal with the fallout and learning time is being impacted resolving the problems. In addition to this, we would like to remind everyone that toys from home should not be brought into school. There have been more and more things making an appearance over the last few months and these can be very distracting and also cause problems if they are lost/stolen. This includes fidget toys as we will provide fidget toys for any children where they are needed.

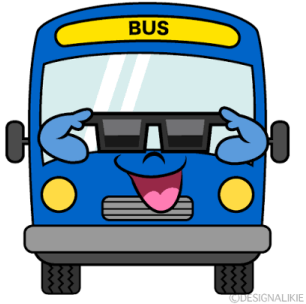
Great British Summer Savings

Families may be interested in the Government's new Great British Summer Savings scheme, running from 25 June to 1 September 2026. The scheme offers reduced VAT on a range of family activities, including children's meals at restaurants, family cinema and theatre tickets, concerts, exhibitions and admission to many attractions, helping families enjoy more for less over the summer holidays.

In addition, children aged 5–15 in England can benefit from free bus travel throughout August.

To find participating attractions and offers near you, visit the Summer Savings attraction finder at: <https://summersavings.gov.uk>

We hope families will take advantage of these opportunities to enjoy a fun-filled and affordable summer together.



**FOOTBALL FUN
SUMMER CAMP
BIDEFORD**

4 WEDNESDAYS IN AUGUST
VICTORIA PARK, GRASS PITCH NEAR RUGBY GROUND
5TH / 12TH / 19TH AND 26TH AUGUST
Age 5 - 12yrs old, 10.00am-2.00pm
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Year 6 Leavers Assembly

This morning we sent an email out to Year 6 Parents regarding the Leavers Assembly, which is on Wednesday 22nd July at 9:15am in the school hall. Be sure to bring along a box of tissues!



School Reports

You should have received your child's School Report via email today. If you have not received it please let the school office know.

Menu Next Week

Due to the very hot weather forecast next week, the kitchen has adjusted the menu.

Please see the table in the newsletter below for these updates.



Whole School Church Service

On Tuesday 21st July children will be walked to St Mary's Church for our End of Year Service.

The service starts at 2pm and you are all welcome to join us.

We will be leaving school to walk to Church at around 1.30pm and would be very grateful for any willing volunteers to help us in walking the children over. If you can help with walking the children to Church, please email back accordingly.

If you are unable to join us, please note **children are to be collected from St Mary's Church at 3pm (or just after) and not school.**

Thank you and look forward to seeing you in Church if you can make it.

School holidays stretching your budget?



Our advisers can help you:

- Check for grants and offer energy saving tips to help you pay for your energy usage
- Create a budget and look at debt solutions
- Find out if you're claiming all the benefits you're entitled to
- Apply for food bank vouchers

Call us on 0808 278 7999

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BARNEY TO BEACH 2026



SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER 13
/ 11:00



CHILDREN'S RACE

SCAN TO REGISTER



- One mile race across the dunes at Crow Point
- Suitable for under 16s (under 5s to be accompanied by an adult)
- Families can tackle the full 8-mile route
- Help raise money for Families in Grief supporting local families in need
- Event village with games, music and more

GET INVOLVED

We're always looking for volunteers to help marshal on the day. Please contact info@familiesingrief.org

www.sientries.com/barneytobeach

Libraries Unlimited

Upcoming Events



BIDEFORD LIBRARY



Transport Tuesdays
Transport themed activities in the library every Tuesday from 14th July to 1st September

Saturday
11 July

Launch Day

The Summer Book Quest begins! Come to the library and collect your Summer Book Quest booklet to get started! 9.30AM - 1.30PM

Friday
24 July

Power the Smoothie Bike!

Use pedal power to create your own fruit smoothie! Suitable for those aged over 7. Donations welcome 1.30 - 3.30PM - Juniper Room - Free drop-in

Wednesday
29 July

Sculpture Workshop

Join us for a creative and eco-friendly art activity! 10AM - 12.30PM - Suitable for ages 5 - 11 £3 library members £5 non-members BOOKING ESSENTIAL - Scan the QR code

Tuesday
4 August

Build Transport with Lego

Build transport with our Lego! What you build can be used in our Lego Animation Workshop on the 18th August. Free drop-in - 10 - 11.30AM - Juniper Room

Tuesday
11 August

Craft Session

Make transport themed crafts + colouring in 10 - 11.30AM - Juniper Room - Free drop-in

Tuesday
18 August

Lego Animation Workshop

10 - 11.30AM - Juniper Room - Create a short stop-motion animation with us! Suitable for ages 7 - 12 £3 per child - BOOKING ESSENTIAL - Scan the QR code

Thursday
27 August

All Aboard for Transport Storytime!

Join us at Bideford Library for a fun-filled Transport Storytime! We'll be sharing stories about cars, trains, buses, boats and more, followed by songs. Suitable for under 5's. 10 - 10.30AM

Saturday
12 September

The Summer Book Quest Finishes!

Last day to come and collect your stickers, certificate and keyring! 9.30AM - 1.30PM



School Menu for Week Commencing 13th July – Blue Week

Week 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1 (Main)	Macaroni Cheese & Crusty Baguette	Sausage Roll	Chilled Chicken Portion	Chilled Salmon	Breaded Fish Fillet
Option 2 (Vegetarian)	Sweet Chilli Halloumi Wrap	Quorn Stir Fry & Rice	Vegetable Wellington	Vegan Sausage Roll & Potato Wedges	Vegetable Nuggets
Option 3 (Light Bite)	Egg & Lettuce Sandwich	Tuna & Lettuce Wrap	Cheese & Tomato Sandwich	Ham & Lettuce Sandwich	Tuna & Cucumber Baguette
Option 4	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna
Carbohydrate / Vegetables	Sweetcorn or Veg Sticks	Diced Potatoes, Peas & Green Beans	Pasta & Salad	Pasta & Salad	Crispy Chips, Pasta, Mixed Vegetables & Ketchup
Salad	Garden Salad	Crispy Salad	Classic Salad	Rainbow Salad	Garden Salad
Dessert	Fruit Crunch Pot	Pip Lollies	Ice Cream	Fruit Smoothies	Raspberry Ripple Cake

Long Term Dates for the Diary

Tuesday 14th July – Rock Steady Concert
 Tuesday 14th July – Year 6 Production at Bideford College
 Monday 20th July – Reception trip to Rosemoor Gardens
 Tuesday 21st July – End of Year Service at St Mary's Church 2pm
 Wednesday 22nd July – Year 6 Leavers Assembly 9:15am

School Term Dates

23rd July – Non Pupil Day
 24th July – Occasional Day
 27th July – 2nd September – Summer Holidays
 3rd September – Non Pupil Day
 4th September – Non Pupil Day
 7th September – Return to School

<https://www.thsp.org.uk/Term-Dates/>



Belonging



Resilience



Kindness



Aspiration



Respect



Courage