

NEWSLETTER 25 – 20th March 2015

Dear Parents, Pupils & Governors,

Science Week - International Year of Light - The Science Committee was out in force this week. Two trips to the University of Birmingham for lectures on Light and Potions, followed by a go-kart Forces morning in the playground, with Mr Thompson from Ridgeway Middle School, all supported by The Ogden Trust. Around the school, classes participated in light and colour experiments, a Science House Quiz and a Science Committee collective worship. Although we hoped for better weather this week, the Solar Eclipse was still a special event in this international year of light.

Football – Our Year 6 Boys Football team played St Nicholas Primary School on Wednesday in a 7 a side game. We lead for most of the match but unfortunately a late equaliser resulted in a 2-2 draw.

Snippets –

- Please bring in spare screw tops from fizzy drinks/ bottled water for use in DT early next week.
- All library books need to be returned by 25th March for a stock take.
- If your child is interested in having guitar lessons, please contact the office.
- Thank you to our local businesses for supporting our activities this term: Meadow Lane Bakery for their gingerbread men, Riverside Florist for the lovely flowers for mother's day and Budgens for providing our cooking club ingredients.
- With effect from 1st April 2015 the price of school dinners will increase to £2.10 per day.

Clubs Update

- Tri Golf for Y3 & Y4 is starting on Mon 13th April, letters available from the office on Monday morning (limited spaces available)
- Ultimate Frisbee for Y5 & Y6 is starting on Weds 15th April, letters available from the office on **Tuesday** morning (limited spaces available.)
- Sewing Club has now finished.

Dates for your Diary –

- Antiques Roadshow Toy Museum – Parents and grandparents are welcome to bring their teddy bears to the school hall on Mon 23rd March for our 'expert' toy historians to investigate. Year 2 - 2-2.25pm, Year 1 - 2.30-2.50pm, Year 1/2 - 2.50-3.10pm.
- Sale of second hand uniform on Mon 23rd March after school in the hall.
- Parents are welcome at our Easter service in the hall on Weds 25th Mar. KS1 at 10am and KS2 at 11am.
- Stargazing evening on Thurs 26th March from 6pm (a few final tickets are still available).
- Performance Club performance to parents has been rearranged for Fri 24th April at 7pm.
- Teacher Training Days – Fri 27th March and Fri 22nd May – School closed to children.

Books of the Week – Mrs Greygoose's class have been reading 'The Velveteen Rabbit' by Margery Williams. The shy toy rabbit befriends the tattered Skin Horse, the wisest resident of the nursery, who explains how nursery toys are made "real" through the love of a human.

Mr A Simms

The latest from the BSA...

Dress-Down Day – Thursday 26th March

The always-popular dress-down day is back by popular demand for the last day of this term! Kids, you can feel free to abandon your uniforms for the day and all we ask in return is a small contribution (suggested donation £1) for the BSA. We'll be there on the gates with our buckets to collect donations in the morning before school!

We are looking at the best use for the BSA funds so generously donated and feel that play equipment for the playground is most needed at the moment.

Comic Relief Bake Sale

Thank you to everyone for the delicious offerings! It was a great afternoon and we raised over £200 for Comic Relief (plus an additional £100 from Mondelez). Thank you and well done, especially to the School Council and all the children who helped to sell the treats!

Thank you to The Frog and all their customers!

The Frog in Bidford were kind enough recently to collect spare change from their customers for our school funds. The owners will be coming into school soon to present us with a cheque – we are really grateful!

Keep checking our Facebook page for the latest information.
Search for “Bidford School BSA” or sign-up to volunteer on “BSA Volunteers”

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