NEWSLETTER 6 – 13th October 2017

Dear Parents, Pupils & Governors,

<u>Bell Boating Regatta</u> – Some of our Year 5 and 6 pupils took part in the Annual Bell Boating Regatta along with teams from other local schools on Saturday. It was great fun, very competitive and the weather was kind. A big thank you to Mr Warren, Mrs Lillington, Mr Griffiths and Mr Chamberlain for rowing with the children and to our parents for supporting us and taking part in their own race.

Egyptian Day – Children in Year 5 and 6 came to school dressed as Ancient Egyptians this week and enjoyed a variety of creative activities on their topic day. They learnt about hieroglyphics, decorated Egyptian collars, and made their own amulets from clay. Egyptians believed that amulets had special powers that would bring luck and protection.

<u>Marathon Kids</u> – We have restarted our Kids Run Free Marathon Kids scheme this week with children in KS2. Pupils have the opportunity to run laps of 400m twice a week with the aim of equaling the distance of a marathon over the year.

<u>School Photographs</u> – Individual pupil photographs were taken on Tuesday 10th October, please send in your orders by <u>Thursday 19th October</u>. If any children missed the session they will have their photo taken on Mon 27th Nov.

<u>Secondary School Applications</u> - The closing date for secondary school applications for 2018 is <u>5pm on 31 Oct 2017</u>. Online applications should be made at http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/applyforschool.

<u>Club update</u> – The last Cooking Club for group 1 (with their parents) is on Wednesday 18th October instead of Thursday 19th October.

Dates for your Diary -

- Our *School Open Mornings* for prospective parents will be on Mon 16th and Weds 18th Oct between 10 and 11.30am. Refreshments and a crèche will be provided.
- Teacher Training Day (school closed to children) on Fri 20th Oct.
- St Laurence Party Church will be held on Mon 23rd Oct from 10-11.30am. There will be activities, crafts, games and songs. Refreshments also provided.
- Parents Evenings will be held on Tues 28th and Thurs 30th Nov.

<u>Book of the Week</u> – Mrs Hudson's class are reading 'A Bear called Paddington' by Michael Bond. The Browns first meet Paddington on Paddington station after he had travelled all from Darkest Peru with only a jar of marmalade, a suitcase and his hat. The Browns soon find that Paddington is a very unusual bear........

Mr A Simms

The latest from Bidford School Association...

Announcing our BSA Committee!

Following our AGM on Wednesday, we are pleased to present our newly-expanded BSA Committee:

Core Committee Members:

Emily Lee (Chair), Glenda Vassie (Vice-Chair), Milly Deguara (Secretary), Sue Woodward (Treasurer)

Special Responsibilities:

Carrie-Ann Walker (School/Governor Liasion), Mona Zaim (Volunteers), Lou Jackson (Purchasing)

Committee Members:

Su Lincoln, Lucy Williams, Katie Ballard

We are looking for five more "casual" Committee Members – could you be someone we can call on, no obligation, to help in planning our events? Follow us on Facebook "Bidford School BSA" or contact us as below!

Next week's newsletter will be all about fundraising!

`The core BSA Committee:	Glenda Vassie – Vice-Chair
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Emily Lee – Chair	Milly Deguara – Secretary
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