NEWSLETTER 2-14th September 2018

Dear Parents, Pupils & Governors,

<u>Bell Boating</u> – Children in Year 5 and 6 spent a day Bell Boating on the River Avon this week. They paddled along the river navigating their way through the locks. The children enjoyed a picnic lunch on the Meadow and took part in races during the afternoon. The activity is a great lesson in teamwork, problem solving and developing confidence. Thank you to our volunteers - everyone thoroughly enjoyed it!

<u>School Heath</u> - Warwickshire County Council would like to hear your views on their School Health & Wellbeing Service. Visit the website and complete the survey before the closing date of 12th Oct: https://ask.warwickshire.gov.uk/public-health/school-health-and-wellbeing-service/

<u>Contact Details & Consent (GDPR)</u> – Last week your child brought home an envelope containing *Data collection sheets* for contacts (all children) and *Consent forms* for recording & use of images (KS1 & KS2) and for data sharing (KS2). Please return the completed forms by MONDAY 17th SEPT. Our Privacy Notice detailing how we use information about children is on our school website.

<u>Sims Agora -</u> During last term users were given the opportunity to migrate to the new system or skip until next logon. After a number of skips a new activation code is required. Contact the office for a new activation code if you now need one.

<u>Clubs Update</u> – During the year we provide a variety of after school activities. Some of these are privately run by external providers who take responsibility for the children and charge a fee.

- French Club (for all years) started Mon 10th Sept 3.20 4.20pm (fee payable)
- Girls Football (for Years 3-6) started Tues 11th Sept 3.20–4.30pm
- Artbase Year (for Years 1–6) started Tues 11th Sept 3.20 4.20pm (fee payable)
- Dodgeball (for Years 3 & 4) started Thur 13th Sept
- Young Voices Y3-6 starts Mon 17th Sept 3.20-4.20pm

Letters are available from the office and details of other clubs will follow over the next few weeks.

Dates for your Diary -

- The 'Bidford Bash' is being held on Sat 15th Sept, on the Big Meadow. Family fun with stalls, rides, live music, raffle, food stalls, bars, Zorbing and lots more.
- Compton Verney Trip Y3 18th Sept, Y4 19th Sept, Y3/4 21st Sept.
- New Classroom open afternoon will take place after school on Tues 18th Sept
- Individual pupil photographs will be taken (where consent has been given) on Tues 9th Oct.
- Harvest Festival is on Weds 10th Oct (Parents Welcome) Rec & KS1 9.15-9.45am, KS2 10.00-10.30am
- *School Open Mornings* for prospective parents will be on Tues 16th Oct 10 to 11.30am and 1.30 to 3pm.
- Teacher Training Day (school closed to children) on Friday 26th October.

<u>Book of the Week</u> – Children in Mrs Bond & Mrs Flavell's class have been reading 'The Tiger that came for Tea' by Judith Kerr. The doorbell rings just as Sophie and her mummy are sitting down to tea. Who could it possibly be?

The latest from Bidford School Association...

BSA Annual General Meeting

All are welcome to our AGM on Thursday, 4th October at 7pm in the ICT Suite.

Our AGM is a chance to review our events and achievements, set goals for the coming year, and agree the committee team.

We will be appointing a new Chair as Emily will be standing down after four years.

After this, the fun events start!

If you have any questions, please get in touch as below.

`The BSA Committee: Emily, Glenda, Milly and Sue Emily Lee – Chair (07989323997) Glenda Vassie – Vice-Chair (07928656855)

Milly Deguara – Secretary

Sue Woodward – Treasurer