NEWSLETTER 10 – 15th November 2019

Dear Parents, Pupils & Governors,

<u>Remembrance</u> – Our House Captains attended the Remembrance Service at the village War Memorial on Monday. The children laid a poppy posy during the ceremony on behalf of all the pupils, staff and governors.

<u>Benin Day</u> – Children in Years 3 and 4 immersed themselves in West African culture during their 'Benin Day' this week. They enjoyed a range of activities including a Djembe drumming workshop, learnt how to play the game of Mancala making their own from clay and egg boxes and tasted fried plantain, an African sweet treat.

Sports News

- Our boys football team played a match against Ours Lady's on Wednesday resulting in a 7-2 win. Well done boys!
- The Cross Country Competition due to take place on Sat 16th Nov has been postponed until after Christmas.

<u>Anti Bullying Week</u> – Children all joined in an assembly lead by our Educational Mental Health practitioners focusing on 'Change Starts with Us'. Thank you to the Year 5 pupils who volunteered to participate in a drama presentation based on the poem 'The Bully' by Clare Bevan.

<u>Swimming</u> – The last swimming for this term is on 21st Nov, please continue to send your child into school in their PE kit. Swimming will restart 9th Jan.

New Dinner Menu – The new menu is available on our website.

Dates for your Diary -

- Year 1 & Year 2 Sports Enrichment will be on Mon 18th Nov children should come to school in their PE kit (There will be no Forest School for Y1 Children in Mrs Hudson's class). Children in Mrs Mills' class will have their normal PE session on Fri 22nd Nov.
- *Mop up Photos* will be taken on Mon 18th Nov.
- *Flu Immunisations* will take place in school on Fri 29th Nov for the whole school. Consent forms have been sent– please return asap.
- Year 1 & 2 Nativity will be on Tues 10th and Wed 11th Dec at 2pm.
- Reception Christmas Songs will be on Mon 16th Dec at 9.45am.
- *Teacher Training Day* (school closed to children) are being held on Mon 6th Jan.

<u>Book of the Week</u> – Children in Years 5 & 6 are reading 'Journey to Jo'burg' by Beverley Naidoo. Naledi and her brother Tiro run away from their grandmother to Johannesburg to find their mother, who works there as a maid. Their journey illustrates at every turn the grim realities of apartheid and its impact on the people that lived under it.

Mr A Simms

The latest from Bidford School Association...



Our Christmas Fayre is on Friday 29th November 6-8pm!!



We have hot food, stalls, games, crafts, bar, raffle and more! The big man himself will also be making an appearance to kick start the festive season!!

Tickets will be on sale from Wednesday 20th November outside the office after school. £2.50 per child and a small gift in return

Thank you for all your wonderful donations this morning – you are helping to bring our Fayre together!

Can you spare an hour at the Christmas Fayre to run a stall? Please let us or the office know!! A volunteer board will be up next week during pickups at the gate! Please let us know and put your name down if you are able to help!

Many Thanks!!!

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