

NEWSLETTER 8 – 12th November 2010

Dear Parents, Pupils & Governors,

Girls Football Tournament – Our team took part in the NFU 7 a Side tournament on Saturday. The girls played extremely well scoring a number of excellent goals! Thank you to parents for their support. Girls Football Club is now taking place on Mondays for Years 3 to 6. Please ask at the office for a form.

Protective Behaviours - Thank you to parents who came to the 'Taking Care' meeting where we informed parents about the learning opportunities and activities in which our children will be participating in from next week. If you were unable to attend the meeting we recommend that you read the booklet that we will be sending home shortly.

Cookery Club – Mrs Greygoose took the club to Budgens to purchase ingredients for making Apple Crumble. We all felt rather peckish as the aroma wafted around the corridors after school on Wednesday – yummy! All our Cookery Club recipes are available for download from the school website:

www.bidfordonavon.warwickshire.sch.uk

Remembrance – On Thursday we all observed a two minute silence where we were able to think about families that have lost loved ones in war and other conflicts. Thank you to our House Captains for selling poppies this week for the Royal British Legion's Poppy Appeal.

Children's Safety – During drop off and pick up times it is essential that we maintain clear access for emergency vehicles. Cones are in place to inform drivers where parking forms an obstruction. Unfortunately vehicles continue to be parked in coned areas causing potential risk to children's safety. We will be issuing a 'Polite Notice' as a reminder to drivers who continue to park in these areas.

Clothing – Please ensure all school uniform is named so that lost items can find their owners! Please return any temporarily borrowed items along with any uniform that has come home by accident. If anybody has any spare tights and socks (ages 4 – 8) please bring to school office.

Head Lice - Please check your child's hair regularly and treat appropriately.

Dates for Your Diary –

- The 'Life Bus' parent information session - Monday 15 Nov at 9.00 – 9.20am
- There will be **NO** Celebration Collective Worship on Friday 19 Nov
- Last Year 3 swimming this term will be Wednesday 24th Nov and recommences Wednesday 5th Jan
- Year 1 and 2 Nativity will take place on Wednesday 7th & Thursday 8th Dec at 2pm

Book of The Week – Mrs Mills' class have been reading 'Just What I Always Wanted', a compilation of short stories by great authors. They particularly enjoyed 'Mackerel and Chips' by Michael Morpurgo.

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Christmas Cards If you didn't manage to view/order your child's artwork this week, it's not too late! If you wish to take a look please contact Gill or Amanda on the numbers at the bottom of the page who will arrange for you to see them next Monday or Tuesday. Congratulations to all the children on producing such wonderful pieces of work; and thanks to the teachers for their hard work too.

Chocoholics We now have the 'Chocoholics' catalogues available to order from. Chocoholics offer a wide selection of good quality chocolates. This is a seasonal fundraiser, and many thanks to **Jenny Jones** for volunteering to organise this for us this year. Catalogues are available from the school office, or direct from Jenny. Any orders to be left in the office with a cheque (made payable to Bidford School Association) or cash. **Jenny can be contacted on 07599510946.**

Phoenix Cards Christmas catalogues are available from the school office, as with Chocoholics, please leave any orders in the office as above. Any queries contact Gill. All profits from sales (30%) are donated to the BSA. Last month we made a record £120 profit! Thank you!

Last order dates for Chocoholics/Phoenix for delivery for Christmas is Wednesday 24th November. Please bring all catalogues back to school as there is a limited supply, and we have to purchase them. Many thanks.

Christmas lucky bags You may remember the last few years we have asked you to save up your empty jam jars, and fill them with goodies and bring to school for us to wrap for a stall at the Christmas fayre? We have decided to do something a bit different this year; next Friday you will all find a Christmas 'party bag' in your child's book bag. We will be asking you to put some goodies into the bag and ask you to bring it back filled the following week. The bags will be 50p each at the fayre, so please fill with anything like sweets, pencils, erasers, unused hair bobbles, bubbles etc etc or anything you want really. They can be for boys or girls, or unisex. These will be in book bags NEXT Friday, so please get collecting! :-)

Bidford School Christmas CD The children have been recording Christmas songs in school this week, including two unique songs written for the school! Thanks to Greg Jinks and Mark Foster for their hard work and dedication with this project! We will be showcasing the CD after school in the hall on Thursday 18th November, with complimentary tea and coffee. Please come and join us! We will be taking orders for the CD, which will cost £5 each. Payment will be required on the day.

Tickets to see SANTA and FOOD TICKETS will be on sale on the following dates outside the school office from 3pm on **Monday 22nd and Tuesday 23rd November. (will also be available on the 18th with the CD's)**

Santa tickets - £1.50

Food tickets - Adult (Homemade Cornish/cheese and onion pasty) £2.00

- Child (Homemade Sausage Roll) £1.00

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