NEWSLETTER 10– 19th November 2010

Dear Parents, Pupils & Governors,

<u>Boys Football</u>— We took our 11 a side team to The Willows last week for a league match and despite extremely windy conditions they made a good effort. Thank you to parents for braving the weather and supporting our children.

<u>Tag Rugby</u> - On Saturday the finalists from the Alcester RFC tournament played a match at half time at the Worcester Warriors game. The Bidford team played extremely well and won their game against Alcester. All of the children enjoyed the experience at the stadium.

<u>The Life Bus</u> - All children have visited the 'Life Bus' this week. This has been a great opportunity for the enhancement of our Personal, Social and Health education programme including sessions on 'My Wonderful Body', 'Feelings', 'Meet the Brain' and 'It's Great to be Me'. The activities were stimulating, thought provoking and enabled the children to experience a wide variety of colourful and imaginative resources.

<u>Christmas CD Recording</u> – The children have now finished recording their Christmas Carols and songs for the BSA Christmas CD. Thank you to Mr Jinks and Mr Foster for their support. Please come to the office or see a member of the BSA if you would like to order a copy!

<u>School Lunch</u> Menu – The new menu starts on Monday 22 November. Please continue to send in payments on Mondays – thank you.

<u>Compost Workshop</u> – Malcolm Smith from Garden Organic is coming to school on Wednesday at 9am to give a compost workshop with the Year 6 Gardening Managers. Please come along if you would like to join us!

<u>Forest School Club</u> – Mrs Bent is starting a Forest School club on November 29^{th} for years 3-5. Letters will be available from the office on Monday morning. Places are limited and children will be picked at random if oversubscribed.

<u>ParentMail Text Messaging</u> – Please return outstanding pink forms by Monday 22 November if you wish to be included in the text messaging service.

Dates for Your Diary -

- Last Year 3 swimming this term will be Wednesday 24th Nov and recommences Wednesday 5th Jan.
- Last Tennis Club is on Friday 26th November.
- Year 1 and 2 Nativity will take place on Tuesday 7th & Wednesday 8th Dec at 2pm.
- Reception and Nursery Christmas Nativity will be on Tuesday 14th December at 9.30am.

<u>Book of The Week</u> – Mrs White's class have been enjoying 'The Three Billy Goats Gruff'. The children have been using puppets to tell the story and have even made suggestions for alternative endings!

Mr A Simms

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Christmas cards. Thank you for your orders for the Christmas card project. The cards will be with us w/c 29th November, and as soon as we receive them we will send them out in your child's book bag. We made a profit of £307, so thank you all!

Christmas lucky bags. Each of your children will have been sent home with a Christmas party bag today. Please could we ask that you fill it with goodies, and send it back into school on Wednesday 24th November. Members of the BSA will be in the school hall between 8.30-9am to take them off you,

The filled bags will be used at the Christmas Fayre for a stall for the children. It will be 50p per go, and a prize every time. Please fill the bags with this in mind, examples of contents could be, pencils; erasers; sweets; note books; anything really that will fit in. The bags can be themed for girls or boys, or unisex. This stall replaces the 'jam jar' stall of previous years, which has always been very successful; however this new idea takes away the glass hazard.

Christmas CD There are order forms available from the office if you wish to purchase a Christmas CD. Please enclose payment at time of order.

Santa tickets/food tickets These will be on sale outside the school office between 3-3.30pm on Monday 22nd and Tuesday 23rd November ONLY

Santa tickets - £1.50/child

Food tickets - Adult £2.00 (Cornish pasty/Cheese and Onion pasty) Child £1.00 (Sausage roll)

The food on offer is homemade by a parent, Annie Perkins, of Thistle Fold Meat & Pie Co. The company are based in Marlcliff, and source all the meat from their own animals. (You may have noticed some Highland Cattle when driving through the village) Annie kindly brought the BSA committee a sample of her pasties at the last meeting, and the vote was unanimous...gorgeous! If you are interested in enquiring into Annie's produce, she can be contacted via e-mail on amperkins@aol.com, or 07816 877259. Annie has also kindly donated a £50 hamper for our raffle!

Dates for your diary

Monday 22nd/Tuesday 23rd November – 3-330pm Santa/food ticket sale Wednesday 24th November – 830-9am bring in your filled Christmas bags to the

Wednesday 24th November – last order date for Phoenix Cards/Chocoholics Sunday 28th November- 5pm Village Square -Bidford Christmas lights switched on by Toyah Wilcox!.

Friday 3rd December – Tombola day (non school uniform, bring in a tombola prize to the hall between 830-9am)

Saturday 4th December- 10am-1pm. Budgens bag pack Friday 10th December – 6-9pm Christmas Fayre!! :-)

If you can help at any of these events, please let a committee member know. We need as much help as possible please.

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