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Dear Parents, Pupils & Governors,

<u>Children's University</u> – Mrs Whiting accompanied Katie Squires to a graduation ceremony at Warwick University. Katie received an honorary award for her work supporting the National Children's University scheme in school.

<u>Girls Football Tournament</u> – On Saturday Mrs Whiting took our girls football team to the Stratford 7 a side tournament. They were very enthusiastic and tried hard – thank you to parents for transport and support!

<u>Food for Life Award</u> - Mr Simms, Lucy Smith and Amy Turnbull went to Ryton Gardens on Tuesday for the official Food for Life award ceremony to collect our Bronze award with Warwickshire County Caterers. The ceremony is the first of its kind to take place in the region and the award recognises our work to transform food culture reconnecting children with growing, cooking, eating and appreciating climate-friendly and healthy food.

<u>VE Day Party</u> – Children in year 3 and 4 celebrated the end of World War Two (and their topic!) with a "VE Day" party dressed in their 'Sunday best'. They made wartime puddings to eat at the party – Swiss Pudding, Chocolate Oatmeal Pudding and Apple Fool, all from rationed ingredients! They listened to 'end of the war' speeches and 1940's music. Thank you to Warners Budgens for supplying the ingredients.

<u>Children in Need Cake Sale</u> – Thank you for all of the donations of cakes for the sale – we will let you know how much we raise for children in need.

<u>Y3 Swimming</u> – The last Y3 swimming for this term will be on Wednesday 23rd November, it will restart on Wednesday 11th January.

<u>School Uniform Sale</u> – A sale of second hand school uniform will be held in the hall after school on Monday 21st November, please bring any donations of uniform to the school office.

Dates for your Diary -

Reception and Nursery Christmas Songs – Wednesday 7th December at 9.30am Year 1 and 2 Nativity – Wednesday 7th and Thursday 8th December at 2pm Christmas Tree Festival at St Laurence Church – Saturday 10th and Sunday 11th December

<u>Book of the Week</u> - Mrs Clark's class have been enjoying 'The Owl that was afraid of the Dark' by Jill Tomlinson. Plop, the Baby Barn Owl is afraid of the dark and will not go hunting with his parents. His mum encourages him to come out of his nest and he soon realizes that the dark is super after all!

Mr A Simms

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Buy in Bidford Tombola: This event is tomorrow at the Crawford hall 10am-4pm – there will be various companies from within the village showcasing there products too – and Santa's Grotto

<u>Chocoholics:</u> Catalogues are still available in the office, orders need to be placed before 21st November, Cheques payable to J Jones.

Christmas Lucky Bags: In your child's book bag today is a bag (you may remember these from last year) is a Christmas Lucky bag we ask you to kindly fill these with something like, sweets, lollies, hair bobbles (new ones only please) you can tailor these for specifically a boy or a girl and then tie it, bind it closed and then bring it back to school on Monday morning, these will then be sold at the Christmas Fayre.

Raffle Tickets: These are also in book bags today, so please sell to your family and friends and send the stubs and money back in to school in an envelope marked BSA Raffle. There are some fantastic prizes to be won this year and if you need any extra tickets contact me or go into the school offices where they will also be available, can any unsold ones please be returned to school.

Coming soon:

Santa Tickets & Food Tickets (Christmas Fayre): 24th & 25th November Bidford Christmas Lights Switch on: 27th November Christmas Fayre Friday 2nd December Holly & Wine Evening Thursday 15th December

The next BSA meeting is Tuesday 10th January at 7.30pm in the ICT suite at school – all welcome!!!

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