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Dear Parents, Pupils & Governors,

<u>Children in Need Cake Sale</u> – Our cake sale raised £207.88 for Children in Need – thank you so much for your support!

<u>Governors</u> – The Governors Resources committee met this week to discuss school budget and management of the building. They confirmed that we have now commenced the tendering process for the building extension and plan to begin the ground works during the spring half term break. We are all looking forward to seeing the new learning space take shape!

<u>School Website</u> – Our newsletters are available on our website <u>www.bidfordonavon.warwickshire.sch.uk</u> along with useful diary dates, school holiday details and school lunch menus. Visit the website to see what has been happening at school and for delicious recipes from our cooking club. In the event of bad weather we will use the website to inform parents of any school closures. If you have signed up to the parent mail text messaging service please ensure your contact details are kept up to date by visiting their website <u>www.parentmail.co.uk</u>.

<u>Children's Credit Union</u> – We are looking into an opportunity for our children to join a school credit union to encourage them to start saving and learn how to manage their money.

<u>Industrial Action</u> – The school will be closed to children on <u>Wednesday 30th November</u> as a result of industrial action by the major national unions.

Clubs Update

- The last Cooking Club will now be on Wednesday 7th December
- Young Leaders has now finished and children will be completing their assessments in school time.
- The last Boys Football will be on Thursday 1st December
- There will be NO Performance Club on Friday 2nd December

<u>Dates for your Diary</u> –

There will be <u>NO</u> Celebration Collective Worship on Friday 2nd December 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> - Miss Griffiths' class have been reading 'There's a Spell up My Nose' by Ian Whybrow. Aunty Boots' cauldron was making a very strange sound - but as soon as Nicholas moves the lid, Aunty's spell goes straight up his nose......

Mr A Simms

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The Giving Machine

If you participate in any online shopping why not register with "The Giving Machine" all you have to do is go to www.thegivingmachine.co.uk register and then start shopping, by using their links to external websites to shop they will donate to the BSA fund.

<u>Christmas Lucky Bags:</u> Thank you for all of the bags returned – you can still do so if you haven't got round to it yet and extra bags are available if you would like to do another.

Raffle Tickets: These are starting to make their way back to school now with spares in the school office should you need them.

Santa & Food Tickets (Christmas Fayre): The sales for these took place yesterday and today – if you missed out please contact us on the numbers below.

Bidford Christmas Lights Switch on: 27th November: we will be starting off the Turkey Raffle and selling Reindeer food from 5pm on Sunday. Christmas Fayre Friday 2nd December: Volunteers needed – please email or call if you are available to help at all. We are also asking for any cake donations to be brought to the hall on the morning of the Fayre for the Cake stall in the evening.

Holly & Wine Evening Thursday 15th December: Please see additional letter from the BSA in book bags today.

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

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The BSA Committee x