## **NEWSLETTER 8-25<sup>th</sup> October 2012**

Dear Parents, Pupils & Governors,

<u>KS1 Park Visit</u> – Pupils in KS1 enjoyed a trip to the Big Meadow last week. The children explored the playground as engineers, testing the equipment and making suggestions for improvements - including drainage holes in the slide to stop everyone getting a wet bottom! Back in school we designed and made our own playground equipment as part of our Design Technology project. Thank you as always to our wonderful helpers!

<u>European Comenius</u> – Mrs Mills and I went to Belgium last week for the launch of project funded by the EU and the British Council to develop relationships with European schools. Over the next two years children across the school will be participating in this shared project with other European children to develop our understanding of European cultures, languages and values. There will be opportunities for staff and potentially some children to take part in exchange visits.

<u>Netball & Football Tournaments</u> – Congratulations to our Year 6 Netball and Football teams who both won at the annual St Benedicts Tournament on Tuesday! Congratulations also to our other football team who reached the semi-final and well done to the Year 5 girls (with help from two Year 6 girls) who played extremely well after only starting netball in September. Thank you to parents for transport and support for events.

<u>RE Day</u> – The children in Year 5 and 6 enjoyed discovering the meaning of their names in their RE day. They chose names for themselves and their friends based on what qualities they would like to have and which names matched. The children also looked at different names for God and found over 20 in the Christian religion and the 99 Beautiful Names of Allah in the Islam religion.

<u>School Lunches</u> – The new 'Winter Menu' starts on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November – details accompany this letter. Meals remain priced at £1.90 – please send in payment with your child on a Monday, cheques should be made payable to WCC Bidford Primary School.

<u>Book of the Week</u> – Mrs Greygoose's class have been enjoying 'The Hodgeheg' by Dick King-Smith. Max is a hedgehog whose first attempt to cross the road turns him into a Hodgeheg! After some careful detective work, Max eventually discovers the best way to cross the road - with the help of the lollipop lady, of course!

I hope you have a great half term holiday and look forward to seeing you on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November.

#### Mr A Simms

## BSA Newsletter - Friday 26th October 2012

# !!!DISCO TONIGHT!!!

Tickets available on the door £2.50 each
Creepy Critters Disco for Key Stage 1 6pm-7.15pm
Spooktacular Disco for Key Stage 2 7.30pm-8.45pm
If your child is in Reception then we ask that a parent/carer stays with your child for their first disco. Every child will be given a cup drink (the ones you pierce with a straw) and a biscuit. Anyone with allergies can you let us know when you buy your tickets and we can make other arrangements. Fancy Dress is optional but no face Masks please.

## **Bags 2 School**

These have now been collected and we will let you know what the total raised is as soon as we know.

### **Autumn Creations**

Thank you to everyone who has taken part in the creations and well done to all of the winners. The cake sale and drinks were very popular and thank you to all of the people who made cakes and helped with the drinks.

### **Christmas Cards**

Viewings and sales of the ever popular Christmas Cards will be on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> and Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2012 both before and after school. Payments will need to be made with orders so please remember to bring your payments with you.

Next Meeting Date — 6<sup>th</sup> November 2012 at 7.30pm. (for venue please contact us on the details below)
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