



Bidford on Avon Church of England Primary School

NEWSLETTER 5 – 4th October 2013

Dear Parents, Pupils & Governors,

Comenius Seagull Project – On Wednesday Mrs Whiting and 3 members of staff took 6 year 6 children to Linköping in Sweden as part of the Comenius Seagull Project – we will give details of their trip in next week's newsletter.

Cycling Awareness – Some of the Year 5 children have taken part in the WCC Bikeability Level 2 course this week. This course develops the essential skills children need for riding their bikes on the road. There will be a further course later this term – look out for details.

Staff News - Congratulations to Mrs Bond, one of our reception teachers. She is due to have a baby in the new year.

Harvest Festival - Come to our Harvest Festivals on MONDAY 7th Oct – Reception & KS1 10am and KS2 11am led by Reverend Ruth Walker. We would be grateful for donations of produce (which should be sent into school with the children on the morning of 7th Oct) which will be offered by the children during the services. Please come along and feel free to join in the singing. Our Year 5 children will be selling the produce after school to raise money for Water Aid.

Children's University – Any pupils with a Children's University Passport should bring it in on Monday.

Tokens – We are collecting "Lets Grow" and cereal "Boxtop" tokens.

Dates for your Diary –

- St Laurence Church are holding a "Family Harvest Service" on Sun 6th Oct at 10 o'clock
- School Open Mornings for prospective parents will be on Weds 9th and Thurs 10th Oct between 10 and 11.30am – please spread the word! If your child is due to start school in September 2014, born between 1/9/09-31/8/10 - please apply on-line at www.warwickshire.gov.uk/applyforschool. The closing date is 15th Jan 2014.
- Parents Evenings Tues 22nd Oct 6-8.30pm, Wed 23rd Oct 4.30-7.30pm, appointment letters to follow shortly.
- **Monday 4th Nov Teacher Training Day** (school closed to pupils).

Rural Cinema - The film this Friday is MONSTERS UNIVERSITY (CERT U) at the Crawford Memorial Hall. Ticket Office opens at 6.30 pm and the film will start at 7.00 pm Ticket prices £2.50.

Book of the Week – Miss Coopers class have been reading 'Journey to the River Sea' by Iva Ibbotson. An orphan called Maia goes to live with her snobby relatives in the Amazon but Maia meets an Amazonian boy who is looking for his lost tribe.....

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So we had our first proper meeting of the school year on Tuesday and it was well attended with some new faces to go with the regular ones, it was a great meeting and we all came away with lots to do.

Bags 2 School

You should have all received your bags by now, if not please pop into the office or contact someone from the committee and we can get one for you. Similarly if you have filled yours and want more please help yourselves. This event is not limited to the parents and carers of children at our school. If you have neighbours or family friends that would be willing to donate their used belongings to us then please come and get the bags for them. If you can fill your bag and are struggling to get it to school we have had some very kind donations of help to collect these for you so again contact us and we can try and make it easier for you. By getting involved in our Bag2School collection, you have an opportunity to sort through your cupboards and wardrobes and donate unwanted textiles in the bag provided - this can include adults' and children's clothes, shoes (tied together please), hats, belts, bags, soft toys, curtains and bedding (not duvets or pillows). We will receive £500 per tonne or £0.50/kg which will be a great boost for our fundraising. In addition it will also raise awareness amongst the children of the benefits of recycling and reuse. This event raised over £600 for our school last year so please take part if you can. The bags will be taken into school on the 21st and 22nd of October both before and after school into the school hall.

Dates for your Diary

8th November - Fireworks Disco - Tickets on Sale soon
29th November - Tombola Donation Day
6th December - Christmas Fayre

Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be held at The Broom Hall Inn in Broom At 8pm on Wednesday 6th November. Please come along and have a drink and help us plan a wonderful Christmas Fayre

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