## **NEWSLETTER 15 - 20<sup>th</sup> December 2013**

Dear Parents, Pupils & Governors,

<u>Church Service</u> – On Wednesday we all walked to St Laurence Church, for our Christmas Carol service. The House Captains narrated the Christmas story, and we all sang a selection of traditional and modern carols. Year 2 children took part in the Nativity tableaux. Thank you to our helpers who escorted the children.

<u>Christmas Lunch</u> – Mrs Fisher and her team cooked and served almost 300 Christmas lunches to pupils and staff on Wednesday. They were ably assisted by the House Captains who served the younger children. The Christmas celebrations continued with activities in the afternoon.

<u>Reception Christmas Songs</u> – Children from the Reception classes told the story of the Nativity through a selection of seasonal songs (and a number of 'ad libs'!) Thank you to our volunteer tea ladies!

<u>Amazon Shelters</u> – Year 5 and 6 pupils have been looking at the potential impact on the local people of building the Belo Monte Dam in the Amazon. The children have been making a model Amazon village with shelters made from natural resources. Lots of problem solving was required as they only had 240cm of wood to build each shelter.

<u>Guitar Performance</u> – Children who have been taking lessons demonstrated their musical skills with a selection of songs and carols during Collective Worship on Thursday.

**Y3 Swimming** - will start again on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> January and will continue until 19<sup>th</sup> March.

<u>Children's Christmas Activities</u> - Bidford Community Library are providing seasonal activities for children on Sat 21<sup>st</sup> Dec 10.30 - 12.00pm, £2.50 per child. Please call into the library for a booking form.

### <u>Christmas Services</u>

St Laurence Church: 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec 6pm – Carol Service 24<sup>th</sup> Dec 4pm – Crib Service

24<sup>th</sup> Dec 11.30pm - Holy Communion 25<sup>th</sup> Dec 10am – Family Communion

The Barn: 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec 6pm – Carol Service

<u>Book of the Week</u> – We always enjoy 'The Night before Christmas' by Clement Moore. This traditional poem from 1822 is a lovely story that captures the wonder and excitement of waiting for St Nicholas.

I would like to say a big thank you to all our volunteer helpers and our BSA for all their hard work and support this year. Merry Christmas to you all and I look forward to seeing you on <u>TUES 7<sup>th</sup> January 2014.</u>

### **Mr A Simms**

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# Happy Christmas To you all.



# See you next year.

Please come along to our next meeting on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January at 7.30pm in the ICT suite at school. Please come along and have a drink and some nibbles, tell us all of your wonderful ideas you never know you might even enjoy it!

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