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Dear Parents, Pupils & Governors,

<u>Wildlife Man</u> - Reception and KS1 welcomed Jules Howard the 'Wildlife Man' to the Forest School last Friday. We found out about tadpoles, water boatmen, nymphs and other exciting wildlife - we even met a toad and a grass snake! This was followed by a wonderful family learning night, with around thirty pupils and parents making their own discoveries in the mobile pond. This visit was paid for with the Primary Science Teaching Trust award money.

<u>Arden Area Field Events</u> – Several of our KS2 children took part in the annual Arden Area athletics competitions recently. Well done to everyone who took part; you will be notified shortly if your child is through to a place in the next round on Thursday 3rd July at Alcester Academy (field) and Saturday 5th July at Stratford School (track).

<u>Road Safety Signs</u> – The signs designed by our competition winners have now been put up around the village – look out for them! Thank you to Taylor Wimpey for sponsoring the cost.

<u>School Inductions</u> – This week we have welcomed the new reception children in preparation for them starting school in September and our Year 6 children have all attended induction days at their secondary schools. It is an exciting time for all of them!

Sports Day – Reception and KS1 starts at 9.30am and KS2 at 1.30pm on Friday 4th July. Please send your child into school wearing their PE shorts, trainers, a t-shirt in the colour of their house and their school jumper. Due to the unpredictability of the weather we may have to cancel sports day at short notice on the day; our website will be updated with news and the whiteboard will be outside. Please be aware of the weather forecast when making a decision to attend this event - a small amount of rain can make it unsafe for the children to run on the grass.

<u>Comics</u> – If you have any comics suitable for play time reading please bring them into the office.

Clubs Update

- Cooking , History, Rounders, Cricket and Friday Street Dance will finish next week (w/c 30th June)
- Netball and Tennis clubs will finish w/c 7th July.
- Girls Football will run until the end of term.

<u>Scout Leader Needed!</u> - First Salford Priors Scouts are looking for a new Cub Scout Leader - you might be an ex-Cub or Scout yourself, a parent, or you could be totally new to Scouting, but if you are full of energy, passionate about fun and can give kids an evening a week of your time, please contact Helen Lillington on 01789 491520.

Holiday Activities – We have a number of leaflets in the school foyer for Summer Holiday activities.

Date for your Diary -

- The last Celebration Collective Worship this term will be on Thursday 3rd July.
- Parents Evenings Tuesday 8th and <u>WEDNESDAY 9TH July</u>.
- Sale of second hand school uniform after school on Monday 14th July.
- Year 6 Leavers Play Wednesday 16th July 2pm (approx.) Year 6 Leavers Service Friday 18th July at 9.30am.
- Teacher Training Day Monday 1st Sept. The Autumn Term will begin on <u>TUESDSAY 2nd Sept</u> for pupils.

<u>Book of the Week</u> – Reception and Key Stage 1 have all been enjoying the story of 'The Hungry Caterpillar' by Eric Carle, as part of National Insect Week. This much loved tale follows the metamorphosis of an egg to a beautiful butterfly - but of course, he has a lot to eat first!

Mr A Simms

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RIO 2014 - Summer Bash Bidford on Avon Primary School Friday 11th July 2014 6-9pm

Cake Stall

We are asking for donations of cakes for the cake stall at the summer fayre. We do request is that there are no chocolate covered cakes due to the heat and we don't want any donations to go to waste, all donations to the hall on the morning of the Fayre.

Raffle Tickets

Next Friday in book bags there will be a book of Raffle tickets. We ask that you buy/sell your tickets at £1 each (£5 for the book) and return the stubbs all filled out with the payment to the school office in an envelope marked BSA RAFFLE.

Can we Borrow???

Any international flags, bunting or Gazebos??? Get in touch with us on the details below if you can help.

Sports Day Tuck Shop

Friday 4th July

Tea, Coffee, Squash and some tuck shop items available for the spectators so don't forget your purse.

End of Year Disco

Thursday 17th July, Key Stage 1 5:45-7pm Key Stage 2 7:15-8:30pm, Tickets on Sale!

Tombola Donation Day Monday 7th July

Please bring all of your donations to the hall in the morning. All food and drink must be in date and make up/jewellery must be sealed/unworn. Toys and games are welcome but please make sure they are intact. Thank you so much for all of your generosity.

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