

NEWSLETTER 2 – 12th September 2014

Dear Parents, Pupils & Governors,

Stone Age Day – On Monday Year 5 and 6 children and staff came to school wearing Stone Age costumes and found out what it was like to live more than 12000 years ago. The pupils made weapons, jewellery and created cave paintings and then using their weapons, hunted down a 'Woolly Mammoth' to provide their community with food and clothing!

Falconry Visit - Year 1 and 2 had a visit this week from Danielle at Arden Falconry. We met a Barn Owl, a Tawny Owl and a Little Owl - who was only 13 weeks old! Some of the children were able to hold the birds and see them up close. They learnt lots about variation in birds to support their work in science, with some fantastic questions from the children and fascinating facts. Danielle even had time to pop into reception to say a quick 'Hello' as the children were painting owl faces.

Peer Mediation – Pupils in Year 5 and 6 took part in a peer mediation workshop led by Peter Timms, a mediation professional. This training develops skills that will enable children to support others in solving minor conflicts and we are looking forward to initiating these practices in the next few weeks.

Family Learning Night - Our first Ogden Trust FLN of the year will be held on **Wednesday 1st October** from **5.30 - 6.45pm** for KS2 pupils and parents in the school hall. The lecture, entitled, 'It IS Rocket Science', will be delivered by Ally Caldecote from Warwick University. Please collect an letter from the office and return the slip as soon as possible, tickets will be issued by Wednesday 24th September.

Messages - If you have a note for your child's teacher please send it in to school with your child so that they can give it straight to the teacher avoiding any delay in passing on important messages.

Clubs – During the year we provide a variety of after school activities. Some of these are run by external providers who take responsibility for the children and charge a fee. Letters are available from the office.

- Girls Football - Year 3 - 6 , Mondays 3.20–4.30pm
- Arts & Crafts - Year 1 – 6, Tuesdays 3.20-5.00pm (fee payable)
- Spanish Club - Rec – Year 6, starts Friday 12th September 3.20-4.20pm (fee payable)
- Sewing/Needlecraft -Year 3 – 6, starts Wednesday 17th September 3.20-4.30pm (fee payable)
- Tag Rugby - Year 5 & Year 6, starts Wednesday 17th September 3.20-4.30pm
- Netball - Year 5 & Year 6, starts Thursday 17th September 3.20-4.30pm.
- Performance Group -Year 3 – 6, starts Friday 26th September 3.20-4.15pm (children will be chosen at random if club is oversubscribed).

Dates for your Diary –

- Individual pupil photographs will be taken on Tuesday 30th September.
- Harvest Festival will be on Monday 6th October in the morning – Rec & KS1 10.00am KS2 11.00am.
- School Open Mornings for prospective parents will be on Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th October between 10 and 11.30am – please spread the word!

Book of the Week – Children in Reception have been reading 'Owl Babies' by Martin Waddell. Three little owls wake in the night to find their mother is missing. During their eager wait for her return, they consider where she might be.....!

Mr A Simms

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AGM

The AGM, which all sounds very formal, will be held on
Wednesday 8th October 2014
At 7.30pm
In the ICT Suite at school

The PTA belongs to all of us and this year we are looking for
some new influences, ideas and help for the BSA to move
forward.

There are a minimum of 3 roles available, potentially 4
Chairperson, Vice-Chair, Treasurer & Secretary
If you have an interest in any of these roles then please give
any of us a call to discuss them or grab one of us at school to
have a chat. You don't need to have experience all you need
is to want to get involved.

Come along and have a drink and some nibbles with us, it's
a great way to meet new people and you might even have
some fun!

Looking forward to seeing you all.

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The BSA xxx