## **NEWSLETTER 6 – 10<sup>th</sup> October 2014**

Dear Parents, Pupils & Governors,

<u>Bell Boating Regatta</u> – Some of our Year 5 and 6 pupils took part in the Bell Boating Regatta along with 10 teams from other local schools on Saturday. Both Bidford teams won all their races and reached the final where Bidford A won by 1 second! Parents also took part and thoroughly enjoyed themselves too.

<u>Harvest</u> - Rev Ruth and Mrs Meehan led our Harvest celebrations on Monday. Thank you to parents for their kind donations and for joining us. The Harvest sale organised by the Year 5 pupils raised nearly £200 for Water Aid, a charity who help provide clean water in developing countries. The remaining produce was donated to the Bidford Foodbank.

<u>It WAS Rocket Science!</u> - Pupils and parents from Bidford and our partnership schools were wowed with a rocket science family learning evening with Ally and Chris from Warwick University on Wednesday night. With the assistance of balloons and fizzing rockets we found out about gravity and forces. Anyone wishing to attend a free Christmas lecture with Ally and her colleagues at Warwick University should look for the poster in the main office and contact Mrs Greygoose, who can arrange a group booking.

<u>Message from our new Junior Road Safety Officers</u> - Our names are Karla and Issy and we are your new JRSOs. We are working together to help teach younger children the green cross code, increase the number of children feeling safe on the way to school and set up new schemes to encourage children to walk to school. We would like to encourage people to park behind the fire station and walk to school from there in what we will call the 'Park and Stride'.

<u>Children's University Lecture</u> - Parents are invited to take Year 5 and 6 pupils who are members of Children's University to the lecture, 'Should everyone be involved in the Arts' at Birmingham Library on Sat 22nd Nov at 10:30am. It will be a fabulous, learning experience set in an aspirational venue. The places are free, but must be booked in advance on 0121 718 7081.

#### **Clubs Update**

- Boys Football for Years 5 & 6 is starting Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October. Please collect a letter from the office.
- There is NO Netball on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October and 13<sup>th</sup> November.

#### Dates for your Diary -

- There will be a sale of second hand school uniform on Mon 13<sup>th</sup> Oct after school in the hall.
- School Open Mornings for prospective parents will be on Weds 15th and Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> Oct between 10 and 11.30am.

<u>Book of the Week</u> – Mrs Walsh's class have been reading 'Six Dinner Sid' by Inga Moore. Sid is a cat who has six owners, lives in six houses and has six dinners a day. Life is just about purrfect, but will his owners find out about each other......?

#### Mr A Simms

# BSA Newsletter - Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2014 AGM

The AGM was held on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October, thanks to those who attended.

### We have a new Committee!

Chairperson - Emily Lee

Vice Chairperson - Glenda Vassie

Treasurer - Emma Van Zyl

Secretary – Laura Simpson

I have to say I have had a wonderful 3 years as your chairperson and am pleased to be handing over to a bright new committee who will have lots of events for us to all attend and take part in the helping process. I urge you all to continue the great BSA support as you have done for years and years. Without it the great things that the BSA provide would be impossible.

On behalf of myself, Amanda, Vicki and Esther I would like to say a massive congratulations and good luck to these ladies as they take on their new roles.

Sam xxx

## **Next BSA Meeting**

This will take place in The Frog in the village at 7.30pm on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October at 7.30pm where your new committee will welcome you to plan the Autumn/Winter events for 2014. They are looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible there.

The BSA xxx