

NEWSLETTER 4 – 2nd October 2015

Dear Parents, Pupils & Governors,

House Captain Elections – Last week we elected our House Captains. Each Year 6 candidates give their speech and then children from each house vote for a boy and girl. Congratulations to those who have been elected! Year 6 children have been appointed to their Manager positions and are now helping to support work around the school.

E-Safety Ambassadors - Children have been selected for the role of e-safety ambassadors and will soon be working with Mr Thackway to deliver advice to children regarding e-safety. This term's topics will include tips on using the internet safely and keeping personal information safe.

ICT Learning Resources - Children can use many of the resources they use in school, including Purple Mash, at home on a pc or tablet:

1. Go to welearn365.com
2. Choose Bidford-on-Avon Primary School
3. A security box will appear
4. In the user name enter child's user name and @welearn365.com for example a.child@welearn365.com
5. In the password enter the same password they use at school
6. The school's learning platform will then load
7. Choose Resources.

School Photographs – Children have had their photographs taken this week – anyone who missed it will have their photograph taken on Friday 20th November. Orders should be handed in by Wednesday 7th October.

Headlice – Please check your child's hair regularly; if you need to treat with lotion please remember most brands require 2 applications 7 days apart.

Message from Rev Ruth – Party Church is on 11th October at 4pm in St Laurence's Church. The theme is 'Joseph' and will include crafts, songs, a bible story and food.

Dates for your Diary –

- Our Harvest services are on Monday 5th Oct. – Rec & KS1 at 10 am and KS2 at 11 am. We would be grateful for donations of produce which can be sent into school with the children on the morning. Our Year 5 children will be selling the produce after school to raise money for Water Aid.
- Year 1 & Year 2 Flu Vaccinations will now take place on Thursday 8th October.
- School Open Mornings for prospective parents will be on Monday 12th and Wednesday 14th October between 10 and 11.30am.
- Parents Evenings will be held on Tuesday 20th October and Thursday 22nd October.
- Training Day Friday 23rd October & Monday 2nd November.

Book of the Week – Mrs Ellwood and Mrs Bond's class have been enjoying the traditional tale of 'Chicken Licken'. Chicken Licken has to find the king as "the sky is falling down" and on his way encounters some friendly characters but also the cunning Foxy Loxy.....!

Mr A Simms

The latest from Bidford School Association...

Please join us for the first BSA meeting of the year – it's at 7pm in the ICT suite at school, on Wednesday 7th October.

It's our chance to get together, agree the team for the coming school year, and then plan our events!

So far we're planning:

- » Autumn Disco: mid-November
- » Children in Need day: Friday 13th November
- » Dress-down day, December
- » Christmas Fayre: Friday 4th December
- » Quiz night, Jan / Feb

We'll report on how much money has been generously donated over the past year, and Mr Simms will be there to help us work out how to spend it! (This meeting is officially called the AGM).

Wine and nibbles will of course accompany our discussion!

We would love to get to know our new parents and those that haven't been involved before. Please feel very welcome at all our events and if you want to get involved then that's fantastic – you'll have loads of fun!

Find us on Facebook – "Bidford School BSA"

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