NEWSLETTER 16 – 15th January 2016

Dear Parents, Pupils & Governors,

<u>Traditional Tales Topic</u> – Children in Reception found 'evidence' of a wolf in the Forest School garden on Monday morning! After researching the story of 'The 3 Little Pigs' they found a piles of bricks and sticks and discussed how they could build a house when they did not have any straw. Later in the week they found footprints leading to the home corner where they found a bit of a mess and all the food had disappeared. The children finally tracked down the wolf and chased him away – we hope he does not return.

<u>Key Stage 1 'Wear' in the World</u> Day -A colourful array of national and traditional dress filled the year 1 and 2 classrooms on Wednesday as pupils celebrated the theme 'clothes around the world'. Throughout the day, children visited Germany, India and Italy tasting food, listening to traditional music and exploring languages, through art and design. Thank you to everyone for their fantastic efforts with costumes.

Indian Dancing – Children in Year 3 and 4 have begun an Indian Dance workshop this week.

<u>School Meals</u> – Our catering team are providing a special menu on Thurs 21st Jan to encourage more children to have a school meal. They are offering Hot Dogs or Peas and Sweetcorn Pasta with Jacket Wedges, Vegetable Sticks & Baked Beans followed by Mini Chocolate Donuts or Ice Cream. Meals are £2.10 but free for all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2.

<u>Homework</u> – Research shows that homework is most valuable when parents provide ongoing feedback to their children and support them with relevant questions when children are solving problems. This can include asking children about the characters and storyline of the book they are reading, what might happen next and why.

<u>Parking Safety</u> – Do not park on the yellow lines when bringing or collecting children to and from school. There are lots of spaces in the Wards Lane car park behind the fire station.

<u>Coventry Cathedral Trip</u> – Please send your child in with a packed lunch on the day of the trip.

<u>Please remember</u> – look on our school website <u>www.bidfordonavon.warwickshire.sch.uk</u> to check details on previous newsletters and for any diary dates. There are also a number of leaflets that can be downloaded that give advice for supporting your child at school.

Clubs Update -

- Street Dance will start on Monday 18th January.
- Sewing Club will start on Wednesday 20th January (letters in book bags).
- Netball will start on Thursday 4th February.
- Artbase is now full.

Book of the Week – Children in KS1 have been reading the traditional tale of 'The Elves and the Shoemaker'. A poor shoemaker only has leather to make one more pair of shoes. He cuts out the pieces of leather, before going to bed but in the morning what does he find?

Mr A Simms

The latest from Bidford School Association...

Our next meeting will be held in February where we will discuss our plans for the Spring and Summer Terms. What events would you like us to do? Let us know!

Coming up:

Quiz night – Early March

Disco - April

Summer Fayre - July

We are taking a few weeks to ease back into the year. Contact us on Facebook or as below if you have any ideas.

Find us on Facebook - "Bidford School BSA"

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