

NEWSLETTER 20 – 12th February 2016

Dear Parents, Pupils & Governors,

Pancake Race - The annual staff pancake race took place on Tuesday with much cheering and waving by the children. Miss Eyles crossed the line as this year's winner closely followed by Miss Drissell. There were fewer accusations of cheating and tampering with pancakes this year!

Indian Dancing – On Wednesday parents of children in Y3 & Y4 were treated to an energetic demonstration of Indian Dancing.

Athletics - After intensive training for Bidford's elite, our Year 5 & 6 team won the Indoor Athletics Competition at Studley Leisure Centre. Athletics practice will continue after school on Wednesdays as we prepare for the regional finals.

Stargazing – The Chipping Norton Amateur Astronomy Group ran a Stargazing session on Thursday evening. They gave an informative talk about the Solar System and the International Space Station. The children were thrilled to see the Space Station as it passed over the school. Thank you to the BSA for providing the hot chocolate to keep us warm.

Online Payments –Parent account activation details have been sent home today for children in KS2 and the system is now live for payment of school meals.

Dogs – For the safety of our children, **do not** bring dogs on to the school grounds.

Clubs Update.

- Netball Club will now start on Thursday 25th February
- Performance club will finish at 4.45pm after the half term holiday.

Date for your Diary

- ***Party Church*** at St Laurence's on Sun 14th Feb at 4pm – Join Rev Ruth for craft activities and songs on the theme of God's Love for us and how to Love each other. Refreshments provided.
- ***World Book Day*** is on Thurs 3rd March. Please send your child in dressed as their favourite book character - no footballers or superheroes.
- School will be closed for a ***TEACHER TRAINING DAY*** on Friday 27th May.

Book of the Week – Mrs Walsh's class have been reading Mr Majeika by Humphrey Carpenter. Class three's new teacher flies in through the window - with Mr Majeika in charge it's going to be the most exciting school term ever.....!

Mr A Simms

The latest from the BSA...

BSA meeting: Wednesday, 24th February

All are welcome at our next meeting – 7pm in the Broom Hall. We'll be discussing plans for the year – starting with what we should aim to raise funds for this year! We've got ideas for events and we'd love to hear yours too. We will keep it to 1 hour. See you there!

School uniform Dash 'n' Grab – Friday 26th February

The school receives lots of donations of school uniform, and we will be setting it all out for you to pick from as we have too much to store at the moment. Come along at school collection time and grab what you need! We will be outside the school hall.

Bags 2 School – Friday 4th March

Collection bags are in bookbags today and all you have to do is fill them (or any bag) with unwanted clothes, shoes etc and bring them into school on the morning of Friday 4th March. All the details of what they accept will be on the collection bags. It's an easy and convenient way to raise a bit of cash for the school – they pay by weight of donations so the more the merrier!

Quiz and Curry night: Friday 4th March, 8pm

If you haven't submitted your form and cash for the Quiz and Curry night – don't worry, there's still time! A reminder of the details (and the form below in case you have lost it)

- Tickets are £8 per person, to include a fine curry feast prepared by us and a welcome drink on arrival. There will be a bar on the night. Tickets will be given to you on the door.
- Teams can be between 6 and 8 people – you can plan to join as a team, or you can be allocated to a team of individuals on the night. We only need to know the numbers of people coming, not team details. There will be a cash prize for the winning team!
- Please note this event is just for grown-ups but you are welcome to bring friends and family along.

Keep checking our Facebook page for the latest information.
Search for "Bidford School BSA" or sign-up to volunteer on "BSA Volunteers"

The BSA Committee:

Emily, Glenda, Laura and Sue

Emily Lee – Chair (07989323997)

Glenda Vassie – Vice-Chair (07928656855)

Laura Simpson – Secretary (07712166158)

Sue Woodward – Treasurer

BSA Curry and Quiz Night ticket application, Friday 4th March, 8pm – *please return completed form to school asap after half term*

Name _____

Number of tickets required _____

Total cash enclosed (£8 per ticket) _____

Please note this is an adults-only event.