

NEWSLETTER 12 – 16th September 2016

Dear Parents, Pupils & Governors,

Peer Mediation – Last week pupils in Year 5 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 is held each year.

Bell Boating – Children in Year 5 and 6 spent a day Bell Boating on the River Avon this week. They paddled along the river navigating their way through the locks. The children enjoyed a picnic lunch on the Meadow and took part in races during the afternoon. The activity is a great lesson in teamwork, problem solving and developing confidence. Thank you to our volunteers - everyone thoroughly enjoyed it!

Data Collection Sheets – Please return the white and orange data collection sheets and the orange to school on Monday. Let the office know if you have not received one. Please ensure any further changes to contact information is passed on to the office staff.

Teacher Notes – Please send notes for your child's teacher (appointments, going home arrangements etc) into school with your child to pass on.

Parking – Parking is not permitted in and around the drop off lay by. Please use the car park in Ward's Lane near the fire station when bringing/collecting your child from school and walk through the pedestrian gate. Inappropriate parking and walking in the driveways risks the safety of the children.

School Website – Please take a look at our website www.bidfordonavon.warwickshire.sch.uk/ for lots of information about our school including diary dates and newsletters.

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

- Arts & Crafts Rec – Year 6 started Monday 12th September (fee payable)
- Artbase Year 1 – 6 started Tuesday 13th September 3.20 – 4.20pm (fee payable)
- Girls Football Year 3 - 6 started Tuesday 13th September 3.20–4.30pm
- Cooking Club Year 4 Group 1 started Thursday 15th September 3.20-5.00pm
- Girls Netball Year 5 & 6 started Thursday 15th September 3.20-4.30pm
- Hockey Y3 & Y4 started Thursday 15th September
- Performance Club – Young Voices Year 4-6 started Friday 16th September

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Dates for your Diary -

- The 'Bidford Bash' is being held on Saturday 17 Sep 2016, 12 noon - 11pm on the Big Meadow. Family fun with stalls, rides, live music, raffle, food stalls, bars and lots more.
- Duggie Dug Dug's Circus Praise Party is being held at The Barn on Sun 24th Sept 5-6.30pm.
- Individual pupil photographs will be taken on Monday 3rd Oct (Year 6 children to wear school uniform and bring PE kits in with them).
- Harvest Festival will be on Tuesday 4th Oct in the morning – Rec & KS1 10am, KS2 11am. Parents welcome.
- School Open Mornings for prospective parents will be on Monday 10th and Wednesday 12th Oct between 10 and 11.30am – please spread the word!
- Parents Evenings will be held on Wednesday 19th Oct 6-8.30pm and Thursday 20th Oct 4-7.30pm.
- Teacher Training Day (school closed to children) on Friday 21st Oct.

Book of the Week – Roald Dahl would have been 100 years old this week and Mrs Walsh's class have been reading 'James and the Giant Peach'. When poor James Henry Trotter loses his parents in a horrible rhinoceros accident, he is forced to live with his two wicked aunts. One day, a wizened old man in a dark-green suit gives James a bag of magic crystals that promise to reverse his misery forever.....

Mr A Simms

Save the date!

Autumn Term activities...

- » Tuesday 27th September, 7-8pm – BSA Meeting (AGM). All welcome to join us at Broom Hall to agree the BSA team, our activities for this year, and how best to spend our BSA funds
- » Friday 14th October (to be confirmed – watch this space) Autumn Disco! Fun games, dancing and a chill out room for cooling off!
- » Friday 9th December – Christmas Fair

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”

The BSA Committee:

Emily, Glenda, Laura and Sue

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