### NEWSLETTER 26 – 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017

Dear Parents, Pupils & Governors,

<u>Antarctica Day</u> - An exciting expedition lead by Captain Thackway, Dr Kavanagh and Lieutenant Walsh took our Year 1 and 2 pupils across glaciers, a crevasse and mountains this week after travelling to the Antarctic aboard the Terra Nova. Once they arrived at base camp the children took part in a variety of activities including painting pictures, making hot chocolate and writing about their travels in their diaries. Thank you to parents for organising the long list of clothing and equipment that they needed for the journey.

<u>Village Walk</u> –Reception children went on a village walk this week in search of the Gingerbread Man. The children found the Fox hiding in several shops in the High Street and after hunting for him in several places, the Gingerbread Man was eventually found in the Bakery. Thank you to Bidford Bakery for kindly donating Gingerbread Men to the children.

#### Sports Events:

- Swimming Gala On Wednesday Miss Drissell took our swimmers to the gala in Studley. All of the children swam well resulting in several first and second places. The final will be on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May at 5.30pm at Stratford Leisure Centre. We will notify children if they have been successful in reaching the final after the result of each gala has been confirmed.
- **Girls Football** After school on Wednesday our Girls Football team played Thomas Jolyffe but despite a valiant effort lost the match. Thank you to parents for support and to the girls who raced back from the swimming gala to play football.

<u>Clubs Update</u> – Year 5 & 6 Coding Club group 2 have places available. The sessions start on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April. Please collect a letter from the office.

<u>Year 6 Leaver Hoodies</u> – The deadline to place an order for a school leaver hoodie is THURS 27<sup>TH</sup> APRIL. Cash only with completed order form - thank you for the orders already received.

**Vacancy** – We have a vacancy for the post of Midday Supervisor - please call in to the office for more details. Applications must be received by Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April by the end of the school day.

#### Dates for your Diary -

- The remaining *missed Guitar Lesson* will be made up on Fri 7<sup>th</sup> April.
- If you have a child in *Miss Kavanagh's class* and you have not yet had the opportunity to meet her you are welcome to come along after school on Weds 5<sup>th</sup> April.
- *Teacher Training Days* (school closed to children) on Fri 26<sup>th</sup> May & Mon 5<sup>th</sup> June.

**Book of the Week** – Miss Eyles' class have been reading 'Kaspar: Prince of Cats' by Michael Morpurgo. Kaspar the cat first came to the Savoy Hotel in a basket and everything changes with a cat like Kaspar around! After all, he's Prince Kaspar Kandinsky, Prince of Cats, a Muscovite, a Londoner and a New Yorker, and the only cat to survive the sinking of the Titanic.....

#### Mr A Simms

The latest from Bidford School Association...

### **Dress-Down Friday next week!**

All pupils are invited to wear non-uniform to school to celebrate the last day of term before the Easter break! We will be collecting donations on the gate in the morning towards BSA funds.

# **Comic Relief grand total!**

Thank you for the hundreds of cakes baked for the cake sale last Thursday! We had so many that we were able to supply the playgroup at The Barn with more for their cake sale too! We are proud to announce you raised £296.27!

Next half term we will be holding a family event – probably a family disco! (Our idea for a barn dance was a little too pricey)

## Happy Easter Everyone!

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