NEWSLETTER 35 - 23rd June 2017

Dear Parents, Pupils & Governors,

<u>Microscopes</u> – The Worshipful Company of Glass Sellers of London have generously donated £1000 for us to buy a class set of microscopes to support our science curriculum. Mrs Greygoose made the grant application and we welcomed her in Collective Worship last week to accept the cheque on our behalf.

<u>South Warwickshire Primary School Athletics</u> – Last Thursday, Miss Drissell & Mrs Moore took 46 pupils to the area athletics competition at Stratford School. All of the children performed well and those athletes that have reached the final will have been notified by letter today.

<u>Drone Day</u> – In their fabulous but challenging day this week, children in Year 5 learned how to program both land and air drones. Pupils programmed the air drones to take off, fly forwards, flip 360° in mid-air and land on a target. The land drones were programmed to move around a cone and complete a trick – it was not as easy as it sounds!

<u>Soundbeam</u> – On Thursday children in Year 5 gave us all a rousing Anglo Saxon & Viking themed musical performance of Soundbeam with Mr Badham from Alcester Academy. Soundbeam uses ultrasonic sensors to detect different sized movements to translate into sounds. The children have been practising over the last few weeks and we would like to thank Mr Badham for running the workshops.

<u>Rushwick Farm Visit</u> – Our School Councillors visited Rushwick Farm on Thursday in support of our Food for Life award. The children learnt how an organic farm is run and helped feed the chickens, pigs and ducks. They also looked at how the soil is kept healthy, dug up potatoes, harvested broad beans and garlic and planted courgette seeds.

<u>Hot Weather</u> - Please apply 'once a day' sun cream before school and send your child in with a sun hat and a water bottle. Please do not send sun cream into school.

<u>Clubs Update</u> – Forresters has now finished.

Dates for Your Diary –

- **Sports Enrichment Day** for **Years 5 & 6** will be held on Wednesday 5th July. Please send your child into school in their school PE kit on that day.
- **Sports Day** will be held on Thursday 29th June. Reception & KS1 will be in the morning and KS2 in the afternoon. The backup day in case of bad weather will be on Wednesday 12th July.
- Parents Evenings will be held on Tuesday 11th and Thursday 13th July.
- Year 6 Leaver Panto will be held on Tuesday 18th July in the afternoon.
- Year 6 Leavers Service will be held in the morning on Friday 21st July.

<u>Book of the Week</u> – Mrs Bent's class have been looking at how dogs can help us and the children were visited this week by her dog Skye. They all enjoyed reading 'Dogs' by Emily Gravett - which dog do you like the best?

Mr A Simms

The latest from Bidford School Association...

Summer Fair Friday, 14 July 6pm – 9pm

Wow! What a brilliant bunch you are...

We have been so pleased with the offers to help or sponsor a stall. It's a fantastic place to be with just over three weeks to go!

We have a few stalls where we need some help, like the Nerf Target practice for an hour from 7, Lolly Jar and Tuck Shop – if you can get involved please do get in touch or use the signup sheet in the school office!

And don't forget...

✓ Tombola Donations

We will be collecting your kind donations (like wine, chocolates, toys, unopened cosmetics, books...) over two mornings:

- Friday 30th June
- Friday 7th July

√ Sponsor a Stall

We are asking local businesses to sponsor a stall for £25, in return for promotion at the fair and on our popular Facebook page as a huge thank you! We're so grateful to our sponsors that have already come forward.

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