NEWSLETTER 32-23rd May 2019

Dear Parents, Pupils & Governors,

<u>Reception Visit to Butterfly Farm</u> – On Monday our Reception classes visited Stratford Butterfly Farm. They enjoyed exploring the 'tropical jungle' looking at the different species of butterflies and some of the children were brave enough to hold a giant millipede!

Ogden Trust Science Day – On Monday we had a visit from Dr Jenny Watson from The Ogden Trust who led a day of physics themed activities. In the morning a small groups of children from Years 4, 5 and 6 carried out a range of experiments investigating force, friction and buoyancy and in the afternoon children in KS1 enjoyed a workshop exploring different ways to power rockets with air.

<u>Soundbeam</u> – Over the last few weeks children in Year 5 have been taking part in Earthquakes and Volcanoes themed music workshops with Mr Badham from Alcester Academy. Sound beam uses ultrasonic sensors to detect movement and translates them into sounds. The children performed their new skills to KS2 on Tuesday afternoon.

<u>Alcester Academy</u> – Mr Hyde, the Headteacher of Alcester Academy came to visit the Year 6 pupils who are moving up to his school in September. They enjoyed an informal chat and are looking forward to starting their new adventure.

<u>Class Photographs</u> – Photograph proofs have been given out this week, full size photographs are available to view in the office. Please send orders in by Friday 7th June.

<u>PGL 2020</u>- Letters have been sent out this week inviting current Year4 children to PGL in 2020. Please have a chat over the holidays and pay the deposit on our online payment system or by cash/cheque in the office.

Clubs Update

- Football Club for Year 5 & 6 and Fielding Games for Year 3 & 4 have now finished.
- Frisbee for Years 4 6 will start on Thurs 6th June. Places are limited and your child must have a form completed by their parent before attending the club. Forms are available in the office.

Dates for your Diary:

- The last <u>Year 3 Swimming</u> will be on Weds 5th June, after this children will have PE lessons so please continue to send your child into school in their PE kit.
- <u>Sports Day</u> will be on TUESDAY 25th JUNE (KS2 in the morning and Rec & KS1 in the afternoon). The reserve date for bad weather remains Mon 1st July.
- *Parents Evenings* to discuss the end of year reports will be held on Weds 10th and Thurs 11th July.
- The <u>Year 6 Pantomime</u> will be on Tues 16th July at 2pm.
- The <u>Year 6 Leavers Service</u> will be held on Fri 19th July at 9.30am

Book of the Week – Children in Miss Eyles' class have started reading the Greek stories in 'Myths & Legends' by Anthony Horowitz. They have particularly enjoyed the story of 'Pandora's Box'.

The latest from Bidford School Association...

With all the fundraising we have done so far this year with Bingo, Discos and uniform sales etc. we have raised over **E4,800**!!

This will be used to fund more equipment for the children.

This is an example of how positively all our fundraising assists the school in enhancing our children's learning and environment

After half term we will be sending out dates for tombola donations for the Summer Fayre on 12th July

Are you able to help run a stall or set up? Please get in touch if you can!

Enjoy your half term break!!

The core BSA Committee: Glenda, Milly, Katie and Sue	Glenda Vassie - Vice-Chair Milly Deguara – Secretary
	Sue Woodward – Treasurer
	Katie Ballard - Communications