

NEWSLETTER 20 – 9th February 2018

Dear Parents, Pupils & Governors,

Safer Internet Day - It was world Safer Internet Day on Tuesday and children were given advice on being safe on the internet. A range of resources are available on www.saferinternet.org.uk to help support parents and children. Leaflets with further information to help you at home accompany this newsletter. All computer games are PEGI age rated to provide parental guidance on whether a game is suitable for a child, e.g. Call of Duty is PEGI rated 18. The majority of social media sites are NOT suitable for primary aged children - Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Pinterest and Snapchat require account holders to be at least 13 years old, Whatsapp requires account holders to be 16 and YouTube requires users to be 18 (or 13 with parental permission).

Sports News:

- ***Athletics*** - After another year's intensive training for Bidford's elite, our Year 5 & 6 team came second in the Indoor Athletics Competition at Studley Leisure Centre on Monday missing first place by only 2 points! Well done to all who took part.
- ***Girls Football*** – On Wednesday our girls team played Tanworth in an extremely challenging match. They put up a brave performance against a very strong team but lost the match. Thank you to parents for transport and support.

Penguin Day – A waddle of small penguins arrived in the Reception classes on Tuesday this week. Children learned how penguins managed to survive the harsh weather in the Antarctic. Some of the children even managed to carry around an 'egg' on their feet!

Junk Modelling – Thank you for sending in your boxes and packaging – children in Years 1 and 2 have been very creative putting them all to good use.

Clubs – Country Dancing for Years 3 and 4 will start on Mon 26th Feb 3.20-4.15pm, please collect a letter from the office, available from Mon 12th Feb.

Dates for Your Diary:

- **World Book Day** is on Thurs 1st March, children should come to school dressed as their favourite book character (with the book)- no footballers or superheroes please.
- **Parents Evenings** will be held on Tues 20th 6-8.30pm and Thurs 22nd March 4-6.30pm and will give you the opportunity to discuss your child's current progress.
- **Teacher Training Days** (school closed to children) will be held on Fri 25th May & Mon 4th June.

Book of the Week – Children in Mrs Walsh's class have been reading 'The Day the Crayons Quit' by Drew Daywalt. Poor Duncan just wants to colour in, but when he opens his box of crayons, he only finds letters saying 'We quit!' The battle lines have been drawn - what is Duncan to do?

Mr A Simms

The latest from Bidford School Association...

This year's events

Thank you for the team's great suggestions. We have lots of planning to do, but here are the dates for the BSA events over the Spring and Summer terms!

Fri 2nd March – Second Hand Uniform Take and Donate Sale

Fri 9th March - School Disco

Fri 16th March - Bags to School Collection

Thurs 29th March – Dress-Down Day

Fri 11th May – Family Bingo

Fri 13th July - Summer Fair

More details on all of these to come. We can start collecting your second hand uniform donations now (via the school office), and the collection bags for Bags to School will be in your bookbags next week!

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