

## **NEWSLETTER 4 – 28<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

Dear Parents, Pupils & Governors,

**Stone Age Day** – Pupils in Year 5 and 6 travelled back in time on Wednesday to see what life was like in the Stone Age. Dressed in costume, children took part in a variety of activities including cave painting and clay jewellery making. Adventuring outside into the Forest School garden they discovered and dissected Stone Age 'Poo' and made fires to keep themselves warm.

**Dogs Trust** – Children in Years 1 and 2 received a visit from the dogs trust on Monday afternoon. Pupils learnt how to look after a dog and how to keep them fit and healthy. In the whole school assembly, the Dogs Trust staff gave a presentation on how children can keep themselves safe when they are around dogs.

**Flu Vaccinations** – Consent forms have been sent out today for Flu Vaccinations for all children in Reception to Year 5. Vaccinations will take place in school on Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct, please complete and return the form asap.

**School Meals** – We will be serving a Pupil Favourites lunch menu on Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> Oct - Pizza or Twisty Pasta with Tomato Sauce served with potato wedges, salad and sweetcorn. Vanilla or Chocolate Ice Cream Tub or Fresh Fruit.

**Sims Agora (Online Payments)** – Capita have asked us to pass on the following message to anyone still experiencing login problems:

*An automated routine over the course of the day will email the parent so that they can complete their registration process. The email will be sent from [noreply@capita.co.uk](mailto:noreply@capita.co.uk) therefore please ensure parents have checked their inbox, junk folders etc.*

Please contact the office if you do not receive an email or are still having issues.

**Clubs Update** – Boys Football for Years 5 & 6 will start on Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> Oct. Please collect a letter from the office.

### **Dates for your Diary** –

- A *Phonics Focus* meeting for parents of Year 1 children is being held on Weds 3<sup>rd</sup> Oct at 2.45pm.
- *Harvest Festival* is on Mon 8<sup>th</sup> Oct (parents welcome) Rec & KS1 9.15-9.45am, KS2 10.00-10.30am.
- *Individual pupil photographs* will be taken on Tues 9<sup>th</sup> Oct. A few parents have still not returned consent forms and data collection sheets. Please send them in urgently as photos ***will not*** be taken of children where consent has not been given.
- *School Open Mornings* for prospective parents will be on Tues 16<sup>th</sup> Oct 10 to 11.30am and 1.30 to 3pm.
- *Parents Evenings* will be held Tues 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct 6-8.30pm, Thurs 25<sup>th</sup> Oct 4-6.30pm
- *Teacher Training Day* (school closed to children) on Fri 26<sup>th</sup> Oct.

**Book of the Week** – Children in Mrs Hudson's class have been enjoying the traditional tale of 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. Jack has some magic beans - what will happen when they start to grow in his garden?

**Mr A Simms**

## ***The latest from Bidford School Association...***

*It was all going so well. But then we hit a bump in the road.  
And now...*

### **We need a new Core Committee Member (A Chair, or a couple of Assistant Chairs)**

We have a fantastic, well-established team with plenty of support. But we need someone (or some people) to take on the key tasks of the BSA Chair. Come and work together with other parents to raise money for the school and create fun events for the school community!

Here are the main tasks that the Chair needs to do. There are other people to support with the rest:

- ✓ Write the weekly newsletter every Thursday
- ✓ Manage the BSA Facebook page and respond to queries
- ✓ Schedule meetings to co-ordinate with the annual plan of events
- ✓ Pour tea and coffee for new parents on open days
- ✓ Help recruit and assign volunteers
- ✓ Help run the set-up of events

We are in a tight spot because we need to appoint somebody at our AGM – on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> October (7pm in the ICT suite).

At our AGM we need to have 8 additional people there to make sure we can swear-in the new team. Please show your support by joining us!

Please feel free to ask any questions to any of us (as below).

Thank you for reading!

***The BSA Core Committee:***  
***Emily, Glenda, Milly and Sue***  
Emily Lee – Chair (07989323997)

Glenda Vassie – Vice-Chair (07928656855)  
Milly Deguara – Secretary  
Sue Woodward – Treasurer