## NEWSLETTER 19 – 1<sup>st</sup> February 2019

Dear Parents, Pupils & Governors,

**Literacy** – Pupils in Year 5 & 6 have been studying 'The Wreck of the Zanzibar' by Michael Morpurgo for their creative writing topic. They have all produced an information leaflet to encourage visitors to the Isles of Scilly using photographs and persuasive writing. Parents will be able to see the work on Parents Evenings next week.

**Penguin Day** – The Reception children were transported to the Antarctic this week and enjoyed spending the day as penguins. The children learned a range of interesting facts, had fun acting out how penguins move and found out how penguins manage to keep warm in their cold climate. Children also created pictures and iced penguin shaped biscuits.

<u>Attendance</u> – Registration certificates have been sent home this week showing your child's school attendance for the autumn term. Children are expected to achieve at least 96% so well done to those children who have achieved this.

<u>Sports News</u> – Our Girl's Football team travelled to Warwick Prep School this week for a league match. The team gave a good effort despite being diminished due to illness but unfortunately lost the match. Thank you to our parents for transporting and supporting the players.

<u>Clubs Update</u> – Netball Club for children in Years 5 & 6 will start next week on Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> Feb. Letters are available from the office.

## Dates for your Diary:

- <u>Parent Teacher Consultation Meetings</u> will be held on Tues 5<sup>th</sup> Feb 6-8.30pm and Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> Feb 4-6.30pm. Appointment letters have been sent home.
- <u>Phonics and End of Year Expectations</u> Miss Hickman will be holding a session for with parents of Year 1 children on Wed 13<sup>th</sup> Feb. It will be held in the hall at 2.30pm.
- <u>Bags to School</u> will be collected during the morning of Wed 27<sup>th</sup> Feb. Please bring in bags on Tues 26<sup>th</sup> in the afternoon or on Weds 27<sup>th</sup> in the morning by 9am.
- There will be a <u>*Teacher Training Day*</u> on Fri 24<sup>th</sup> May.

**Book of the Week** – Children in Miss Drissell's class are reading the 'Firework Maker's Daughter' by Phillip Pullman. Lila wants to be a Firework Maker more than anything else in the world but firework-making is not just about being able to make Crackle-Dragons and Golden Sneezes. There is also one special secret: every Firework-Maker must make a perilous journey to face the terrifying Fire-Fiend!

## <u>Mr A Simms</u>

The latest from Bidford School Association...

## We will be sending home 'Bags2School' bags in the next two weeks before half term.

For those of you who don't know, bags 2 schools are carrier bags that you can fill with old and unwanted clothing. Bring them into school on the stated dates and they get collected and weighed. The school then receives a cheque dependant on the total weight.

So you are clearing out your wardrobes and helping raise funds for your school!

Bags need to be returned to school on the first week after half term. Drop to us after school from 3pm onwards on <u>Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> February</u> and before school on <u>Wednesday</u> <u>27<sup>th</sup> February</u>.

Keep a look out for how much we raise!

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