

Ibstone CE Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Families,

This week there is a newsletter challenge! Osprey Class have been learning about and using adverbs of possibility, how many can you find in this week's newsletter? Email your answer to the office email to be in with a chance of winning a prize!

Photograph Orders

Don't forget to order photos by 3rd October to make the most of your early bird discount. The school certainly receives money for every order placed!

Jeans for Genes & Macmillan Cake Sale

Obviously, everyone enjoyed coming to school in their own clothes today to raise money for Jeans for Genes. Thank you all for your donations, we have raised £127.56.

Undoubtedly the highlight of the day was possibly the cake sale! Thank you for all your generous donations and purchases! We have raised £241.65 for Macmillan.

PTA Meeting

There will definitely be a PTA Meeting on Friday 8th October at 2pm in the school hall. Parents will then be invited to stay for Celebration Worship at 2.45pm. For those of you able to attend, please come to the back gate (Earlybirds/ Kites gate) just before 2pm.

Library & Kitchen Update

Magnet Trade in High Wycombe very kindly donated us a truly amazing kitchen. A huge thank you to Tom and Stuart at Magnet Trade for making one of our dreams become reality! Over the past few weeks, Grant has been in during the evenings to fit it for us and Nick and Dave have been in to sort the plumbing and the electrics. Today the kitchen is finally finished! Thank you all for your help and support.

There will be an update on the library and outside area in the next few weeks... we are very nearly there!



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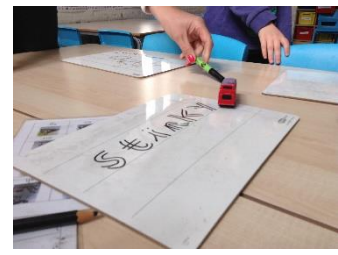
What we have been learning this week...

Ladybirds have continued their 'Ourselves' topic and have been thinking about all the things they are good at and the things they like to do. They have been finding out about and using their senses this week. All the children clearly enjoyed their listening walk around the school and making jelly was definitely a lot of fun!

They used all their senses to explore the jelly, thinking about exciting words to describe how it felt, what it had looked like and most importantly, how it tasted! They talked about how the jelly had dissolved and what that meant and they discussed the changes that had taken place.

In mathematics they have focused on sorting and have been guessing the rule to join the set, they have also been spotting the odd one out in a given set.

Woodland Class have started writing their own versions of the Naughty Bus story called 'The Naughty Ibstone Bus'. The children enjoyed taking their own naughty buses on an adventure around school to generate ideas for their writing. Here are some of the naughty things their buses got up to...



In mathematics the children have continued their work on place value. In Year 1, the children have been learning how to compare numbers using the language of greater than, less than and equal to. In Year 2, the children have been learning how to use part-whole models and have used these to form addition number sentences. They have also looked at place value charts and have used these to build numbers using place value counters and dienes.

In geography, the children have been using their knowledge of maps and London landmarks to plan their own routes for the Naughty Bus. The children enjoyed drawing and labelling their own maps to show the landmarks visited by the bus. Year 2 were also challenged to include a key to identify the different locations on their maps.

Kestrel Class have been answering questions about 'The Old Canal' with a focus on answering multiple choice and true/false questions. They have also been planning their own version of the story, the majority of children have kept an element of water in their version, we are looking forward to reading about enormous lakes, muddy ponds and gigantic waterfalls!

In their class reading sessions they have continued to read 'The Iron Man', they have read chapter 2 and discussed how it is written from Hogarth's point of view. They thought about how the Iron Man might be feeling too and came up with a fantastic list of adjectives which included, furious, lonely, angry and disgusted.

In mathematics, Year 3 have been looking at number lines to 100 and 1000. They have been filling in missing numbers and also estimating where different numbers would go on the number line. They finished the week by finding 1, 10 and 100 more or less than different 3 digit numbers. Year 4 have been looking at numbers up to 10,000. They have been looking at the place value of different numbers thinking about the 1000s, 100s, 10s and 1s and partitioning them in a variety of ways.

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Kestrel Class have been finding out about the human skeleton and, in groups, had to construct a skeleton and label the bones, as an extra challenge they had to use picture clues to match the scientific names to the bones in the skeleton! Perhaps the children in Kestrel Class can amaze you with their knowledge of the human skeleton!?

In history they have continued their topic on 'The Romans' and have been learning about the Roman Army. They have found out about what life was like as a Roman soldier and have looked at armour, shields and weapons as well as learning about various army formations they used to protect themselves.

Osprey Class have been planning and writing the innovation stage of their stories based on a passage of text from Why the Whales Came. They have been challenged to change Bird Man into a sinister alternative in their own story.

In mathematics they have been using the formal methods of addition to add 4 digit numbers with exchanging.

In geography they have located rivers around the world and researched these rivers online. They have also spent time learning about the features of rivers from the source to the mouth and have developed their geographical vocabulary. They enjoyed working together to start as a stream then grew to become a fast flowing stream over a waterfall (we thought it would be a bit like an extreme rollercoaster). They can now identify some key features of the river system including, meanders, ox bow lakes, levees, floodplains and estuaries!

Family Time

This week in Family Time, the children have been thinking about how we demonstrate our school value of Love within our school community.



As I mentioned at the beginning of the newsletter, Osprey Class have been using adverbs of possibility this week, they clearly had lots of fun writing their own sentences. I have to admit, I probably won't be trying to include adverbs of possibility throughout my newsletter next week, it has been a truly challenging task!

Perhaps, to be kind, I will give you a few clues as to what you are looking out for when counting the adverbs of possibility.

possibly – clearly – obviously – perhaps – maybe – certainly – definitely – probably – surely – truly

Enjoy the weekend!

Louise Long
Headteacher

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Headteacher Awards



Zog the Dog Awards



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Diary Dates
New or amended dates in BOLD

2021-2022 Dates

Date	Occasion	Who?
October 2021		
Fri 1 st	Open Morning – 9.30am – 11.30am	Prospective Families
Fri 8th	Flu Immunisations	All pupils
Fri 8th	PTA Meeting 2pm -School Hall	All families
Sun 10 th	Harvest Service – 9.30am – St Nicholas Church, Ibstone	Everyone
Mon 11 th	Open Day - 9.30am – 11.30am & 1pm -2.30pm	Prospective Families
Tues 12 th	Parents Meetings – via Zoom (Times to be confirmed)	Ladybirds Parents
Tues 12 th	Parents Meetings – via Zoom 4pm – 6pm	Woodland, Kestrel & Osprey Parents
Wed 13 th	Parents Meetings – via Zoom 1pm-2.45pm	Woodland, Kestrel & Osprey Parents
Thurs 21 st	End of Term – 3.15pm/3.25pm	All children
Fri 22 nd	INSET DAY	Staff only
November 2021		
Mon 1 st	Children start back – 8.40am	All children
Mon 8 th	Open Day - 9.30am – 11.30am & 1pm -2.30pm	Prospective Families
Thurs 11 th	Remembrance Day	Everyone
December 2021		
Mon 13 th	KS2 Nativity – 2pm – School Decking	KS2 Families
Mon 13 th	KS2 Nativity – 5pm – School Decking	KS2 Families
Tues 14 th	EYFS & KS1 Nativity – 2pm - St Nicholas Church, Ibstone	EYFS & KS1 Families
Thurs 16 th	Norden Farm Trip	EYFS & KS1 Children
Fri 17 th	End of Term – 1.30pm	Everyone
Sun 19 th	Village Carols – 5pm – St Nicholas Church, Ibstone	Everyone
January 2022		
Tues 4 th	INSET DAY	Staff only
Wed 5 th	Children start back – 8.40am	Everyone
February 2022		
Fri 18 th	End of Term – 3.15pm/3.25pm	Everyone
Mon 28 th	Children start back– 8.40am	Everyone
March 2022		
April 2022		
Wed 6 th	End of Term – 1.30pm	All children
Thurs 7 th	INSET DAY	Staff only
Fri 8 th	INSET DAY	Staff only
Sun 24 th	Ibstone Circle – 5k/10k & Children’s Run in Colour	Everyone
Mon 25 th	Children start back– 8.40am	Everyone
May 2022		
Mon 2 nd	Bank Holiday	Everyone
Tues 3 rd – Fri 6 th	Year 5 Adventure Week	Year 5
Mon 9 th – Fri 13 th	Year 6 SATS Week	Year 6
Fri 27 th	End of Term – 3.15pm/3.25pm	Everyone
June 2022		
Mon 6 th	INSET DAY	Staff only
Tues 7 th	Children start back – 8.40am	Everyone
Mon 13 th – Fri 17 th	Year 6 Adventure Week	Year 6

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July 2022

Tues 5 th	Transition Day	Everyone
Thurs 7 th	KS2 Sports Morning – 9am	KS2 Families
Fri 8 th	EYFS & KS1 Sports Morning – 9am	EYFS & KS1 Families
Mon 11 th	Whole School Trip	All children
Fri 15 th	Ibifest Celebration – 2pm	All parents/families
Thurs 21 st	Year 6 Leavers Service – 9.30am – St Nicholas Church	Year 6 Families
Thurs 21 st	End of Year Celebration - 12.30pm	All parents/families
Thurs 21st	End of Term – 1.30pm	Everyone

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