

# Ibstone CE Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Families,

It was lovely to see some of you at the Harvest Service on Sunday, the Community Matters Food bank were so grateful for the donations, your generosity has really made a difference to the families the food bank supports. Thank you!

## Word Aware



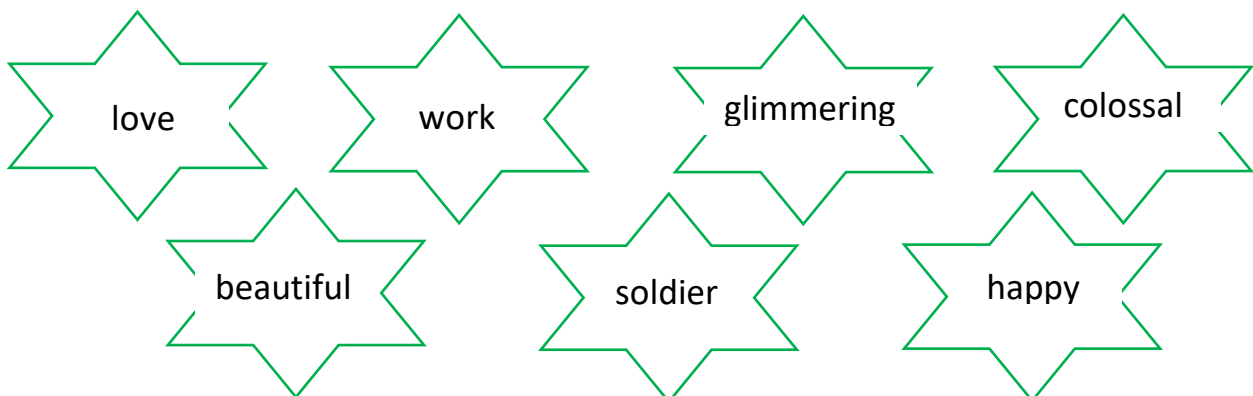
Over the last few months, the staff have been attending Word Aware training with a view to implement this across the whole school. Word Aware is a comprehensive approach that will be used throughout the school to promote vocabulary development for all children. Research shows that children need twelve meaningful encounters of a word before they really know it. Word Aware promotes a method called STAR (Select, Teach, Activate and Review). This process ensures the children encounter new words, many times in a variety of ways.

After half term there will be a word of the week shared on the newsletter, please keep your eyes peeled!

In order to get the children excited about words, we have been discussing and sharing our favourite words in Family Time this week. All the children have written their favourite word on a leaf to form a display in the library, the staff have also been asked about their favourite words and hopefully, our wider school community will share their favourite words with us too!

There is a link to Padlet on Google Classroom and the children have been asked to share their families favourite words. KS2 children have been asked to give a definition and be able to use the words in a sentence. We are all looking forward to seeing your favourite words.

Here are some of the childrens:



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Ladybirds and Woodland Class enjoyed their first lbstone walk of the year, they spotted lots of signs of Autumn and carried back some goodies for the nature table.



### What we have been learning this week...

Ladybirds have continued working on their Talk 4 Writing story and have changed their class story so that all manner of animals have been on a walk, there have been zebras and ponies and Oskar Owl!

The children have made their own story maps and have used these to retell their own stories. They have been learning about adjectives and have thought about the ways in which they could describe the fox. Mrs Statham has been wowed by the children's sentences about the fox, all the children have been working hard to use their phonics to help them write their sentences.

In mathematics, the children have been learning to subitise (which means to instantly recognise how many there are when looking at a small group of objects without needing to count them). They have been playing lots of games to help them develop this skill throughout the week.

In Woodland Class the children have been busy completing their accurate writes of 'Augustus and his Smile'. They have also been learning about verbs and identifying them in sentences. Year 2 were also set the challenge of putting their verbs into the past tense using -ed.

In mathematics the children have continued their work on addition and subtraction. Year 1 have been learning about the addition symbol and have been using it to write number bonds for numbers within 10. Year 2 have been learning about related facts and have been using these to solve calculations using numbers up to 100.

In art, they have been learning about cubism and have created their own Picasso inspired portraits.



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Kestrel Class have been looking at using a variety of descriptive techniques to describe a canal. The children used a picture of a canal running through the streets of France for inspiration. They included some great adjectives, similes, prepositional phrases and fronted adverbials in their descriptive paragraphs.

They have continued to read *The Iron Man*. The children wrote in the role of the little boy, Hogarth, and wrote some fantastic letters of apology to *The Iron Man*. They have improved their dictionary skills by using them to find out the definition of some unknown words from the book.

In mathematics, Year 3 have continued their unit on addition and subtraction and have been looking at subtracting 1-digit numbers from 2 and 3-digit numbers. They have been using number lines to help them jump back to the nearest multiple of 10 and then subtract the remaining amount. Year 4 have finished off their place value unit by looking at reading and writing Roman numerals. They have moved onto a unit of work about addition and subtraction and have been focusing on adding pairs of 3 digit numbers.

The children have used their Roman shield designs to start creating their Roman shields. They have made a fantastic start and we look forward to sharing a photo of the Kestrel Roman Army when they are complete.

Osprey Class have been using persuasive writing techniques to create an article persuading people to visit the Scilly Isles (the location where their class text is set). The children have tried to appeal to all types of holidaymakers. They have used exaggeration and boastful language, as well as the power of three to encourage people to visit.

In mathematics they have been learning to multiply 2,3 and 4 digit numbers by 2 digit numbers. They have moved from the area model to the grid method to the compact column method. They have used these methods to solve multi step word problems.

In art the children have created some amazing whale prints using poly tiles and rollers.

#### **In other news:**

##### **Parents Meeting Notes**

You should have received your child's parents' meeting notes tonight, please get in touch if you haven't received them.

##### **PTA Newsletter**

The PTA newsletter is also attached, please add the dates to your diary!

##### **Family Time Awards**

The Y5/6 children have asked if they can present a Family Time Award to one member of their family each week. It was a very moving moment hearing them read out and present the awards today! Well done everyone!

Finally, to mark the end of our first half term, we are inviting the whole school community to join us on our Family Time walk on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October. We will be leaving school at 2pm, if you would like to join us, please wait by the front playground at 1.55pm. Everyone is welcome, please note that the path we take is not suitable for buggies and sturdy shoes are a must. Unfortunately, we are unable to welcome other dogs on the walk with us.

There will be a holiday tuck shop running after school selling a range of goodies!

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?
<b>October 2021</b>		
<b>Thurs 21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Family Time Walk - see further details in main newsletter</b>	<b>Everyone</b>
<b>Thurs 21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Happy Holidays Tuck Shop Sale – after school</b>	<b>Everyone</b>
Thurs 21 <sup>st</sup>	End of Term – 3.15pm/3.25pm	All children
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup>	INSET DAY	Staff only
<b>November 2021</b>		
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup>	Children start back – 8.40am	All children
Mon 8 <sup>th</sup>	Open Day - 9.30am – 11.30am & 1pm -2.30pm	Prospective Families
Thurs 11 <sup>th</sup>	Remembrance Day	Everyone
<b>Fri 12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Mufti Day in exchange for gifts for the Secrets Room</b>	<b>All children &amp; staff</b>
<b>Fri 26<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Mufti Day in exchange for bottles for the Tombola</b>	<b>All children &amp; staff</b>
<b>December 2021</b>		
Tues 7 <sup>th</sup>	Wreath Making – 7pm – more details to follow	Adults only
<b>Fri 10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Christmas Crafternoon &amp; Café</b>	<b>Everyone</b>
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup>	KS2 Nativity – 2pm – School Decking	KS2 Families
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup>	KS2 Nativity – 5pm – School Decking	KS2 Families
Tues 14 <sup>th</sup>	EYFS & KS1 Nativity – 2pm - St Nicholas Church, Ibstone	EYFS & KS1 Families
Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup>	Norden Farm Trip	EYFS & KS1 Children
<b>Thurs 16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Christmas Jumper Day</b>	<b>Everyone</b>
Fri 17 <sup>th</sup>	End of Term – 1.30pm	Everyone
Sun 19 <sup>th</sup>	Village Carols – 5pm – St Nicholas Church, Ibstone	Everyone
<b>January 2022</b>		
Tues 4 <sup>th</sup>	INSET DAY	Staff only
Wed 5 <sup>th</sup>	Children start back – 8.40am	Everyone
<b>February 2022</b>		
<b>Fri 11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Quiz Night – 7pm</b>	<b>Adults only</b>

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Fri 18 <sup>th</sup>	End of Term – 3.15pm/3.25pm	Everyone
Mon 28 <sup>th</sup>	Children start back– 8.40am	Everyone
<b>March 2022</b>		
<b>April 2022</b>		
Wed 6 <sup>th</sup>	End of Term – 1.30pm	All children
Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup>	INSET DAY	Staff only
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup>	INSET DAY	Staff only
Sun 24 <sup>th</sup>	Ibstone Circle – 5k/10k & Children’s Run in Colour	Everyone
Mon 25 <sup>th</sup>	Children start back– 8.40am	Everyone
<b>May 2022</b>		
Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Bank Holiday	Everyone
Tues 3 <sup>rd</sup> – Fri 6 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 Adventure Week	Year 5
Mon 9 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 13 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 SATS Week	Year 6
Fri 27 <sup>th</sup>	End of Term – 3.15pm/3.25pm	Everyone
<b>June 2022</b>		
Mon 6 <sup>th</sup>	INSET DAY	Staff only
Tues 7 <sup>th</sup>	Children start back – 8.40am	Everyone
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 17 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Adventure Week	Year 6
<b>July 2022</b>		
Tues 5 <sup>th</sup>	Transition Day	Everyone
Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup>	KS2 Sports Morning – 9am	KS2 Families
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup>	EYFS & KS1 Sports Morning – 9am	EYFS & KS1 Families
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup>	Whole School Trip	All children
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup>	Ibifest Celebration – 2pm	All parents/families
Thurs 21 <sup>st</sup>	Year 6 Leavers Service – 9.30am – St Nicholas Church	Year 6 Families
Thurs 21 <sup>st</sup>	End of Year Celebration - 12.30pm	All parents/families
Thurs 21 <sup>st</sup>	End of Term – 1.30pm	Everyone

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