# **Ibstone CE Primary School Newsletter**

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Dear Families,

A huge thank you to everyone who popped along to the coffee afternoon this afternoon, it was a very successful fundraiser making £388.10! Thank you to Bex and the team for organising and to everyone who baked for the occasion!

We have a number of fundraising events in the pipeline, please do bring friends and family with you!

Pop up Lamb Feeding & Easter Egg Hunt – Friday 7th April

Ibstone Circle & Run in Colour – Sunday 23rd April

Wine Tasting Evening - Friday 12th May

Beginners Salsa lessons – 5 weeks – May

Pudding and Pimms Evening - Friday 9th June



All flyers attached to the newsletter email.

It has been a busy week in school this week and the unpredictable weather has not stopped us! There were lots of new skills being learnt in Forest School this week!



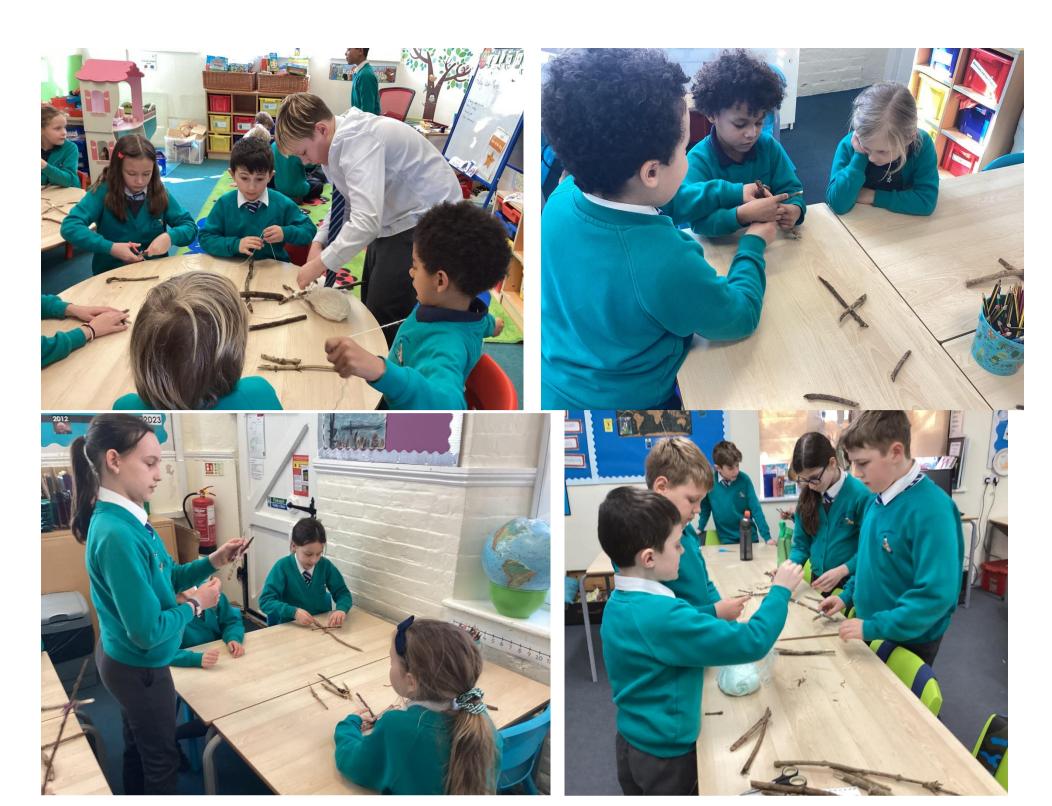




The whole school have been thinking about Why Christians celebrate Easter and today Osprey Class walked the Stations of the Cross as part of their learning. They decided to carry the cross with them and asked some excellent questions.



They also collected twigs on their journey to use in Family Time. All the children made a cross that they will be invited to carry down to the church next week as part of our Easter walk. They will leave the crosses at the church to make an Easter display!



Congratulations to our Year 5/6 Danish Longball Team who came **second** in Danish Longball Tournament at Sir William Borlase's Grammar School this week. This event was part of The Village School Games which has been organised specifically for small schools. This was our very first competitive event as a school and I am incredibly proud of all of the children who tried out for the team, they all demonstrated our school values in abundance!

The final team worked incredibly well together, listened carefully to each other and played a clever tactical game. They also looked very smart in the school team kit!



### In other news:

## **Kites Booking**

Kites bookings for clubs after Easter are now live. Please note, Street Dance is now Dance as there have been a number of children who want to try a variety of different types of dance each week. Dance Club will also be performing at the Stokenchurch Summer Fete on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June (more details to follow).

Ecology Club is open to KS1 & KS2 children, Cricket Club is for EYFS & KS1 only this half term, Chess is open to KS2 only.

### Kites Holiday Club - May Half Term

Bookings for May half term are now open!

## **Village Litter Pick**

The annual village litter pick is being held on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> April this year. As this is the start of the holidays, we will be able to use the litter pickers on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> after school has finished. If anyone can spare half an hour or an hour at 1.30pm on Friday to help litter pick outside school and on the road down to the church, please email the office to let us know you will be joining us.

#### Crowdfunder

### Please support our Crowdfunder! Thank you to those who have donated already!

We have launched a Crowdfunder page to help us raise money for a school minibus. Over the past few years the cost of coaches have risen significantly and this has had an impact on what we are able to do as a school. A minibus would enable us to take groups out more frequently, give us more freedom during Adventure Weeks, enable all of our children to take part in inter-school competitions and go out on more educational trips and visits. We have set the crowd funder at £25,000 and already have a couple of potential sponsors to help towards this grand total. If you, members of your family, your company or the company you work for would like to support our cause, please share our Crowdfunder page with them. The page opens this evening and closes on 5<sup>th</sup> May 2023!

https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/ibstone-minibus

## **Ibstone Circle**

We are delighted to announce that Ibstone Circle will be running again this year, we have sent everyone home with a poster today, please share this event with everyone you know and let us know if you would like any more posters!

Don't forget to sign up now to get the Early Bird rate for the 5k / 10k & Run in Colour!







Enjoy your weekend! Louise Long Headteacher

# **Headteacher Awards**



Love – Courage – Respect – Community – Perseverance 'Whatever I have, wherever I am, I can make it through anything in the One who makes me who I am' Philippians 4:13

## Diary Dates New or amended dates will be shown in BOLD

| Date   | Occasion   | Who?            |
|--|--|-----------------|
| March 2023                                   |  |                 |
| Mon 27 <sup>th</sup>                         | Year 5 Adventure Week Parents Meeting – 7pm – school hall                  | Y5 Parents only |
| Thurs 30 <sup>th</sup>                       | Lambs in school and lamb photoshoot  | Everyone        |
| Fri 31 <sup>st</sup>                         | Easter Service   | Children only   |
| Fri 31 <sup>st</sup>                         | End of Term – 1.30pm   | Everyone        |
| April 2023                                   |  |                 |
| Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> – Thurs 6 <sup>th</sup>  | Kites Holiday Club   | Everyone        |
| Fri 7 <sup>th</sup>                          | Pop Up Lambs & Easter Egg Hunt (posters to follow)                         | Everyone        |
| Mon 17 <sup>th</sup>                         | Start of Term – 8.45am   | Everyone        |
| Sun 23 <sup>rd</sup>                         | Ibstone Circle & Run in Colour   | Everyone        |
| Thurs 27 <sup>th</sup>                       | OperaFirst Workshop  | KS2 only        |
| May 2023                                     |  |                 |
| Mon 1 <sup>st</sup>                          | Bank Holiday   | Everyone        |
| Tues 2 <sup>nd</sup>                         | INSET DAY  | Staff only      |
| Mon 8 <sup>th</sup>                          | Bank Holiday for the King's Coronation                                     | Everyone        |
| Fri 12 <sup>th</sup>                         | Wine Tasting – 7.30pm – school hall  | Adults only     |
| Tues 16 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> | Y5 Adventure Week – more information to follow                             | Y5 only         |
| Thurs 25 <sup>th</sup>                       | Year 6 Adventure Week Meeting – 7pm – school all                           | Y6 Parents only |
| Fri 26 <sup>th</sup>                         | Whole School Workshare & Family Time 1.30pm                                | Everyone        |
| Fri 26 <sup>th</sup>                         | End of Term – 3.15pm/3.25pm  | Everyone        |
| June 2023                                    |  |                 |
| Mon 5 <sup>th</sup>                          | Start of Term – 8.45am   | Everyone        |
| Fri 9 <sup>th</sup>                          | Puddings and Pimms   | Adults only     |
| Sat 10 <sup>th</sup>                         | Stokenchurch Summer Fete – Dance Club performance – more details to follow | Everyone        |
| Mon 19 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup>  | Y6 Adventure Week – more information to follow                             | Y6 only         |
| July 2023                                    |  |                 |
| Mon 10 <sup>th</sup> – 14 <sup>th</sup>      | Ibfest Week  | Everyone        |
| Thurs 20 <sup>th</sup>                       | End of Term – 1.30pm   | Everyone        |
| Fri 21 <sup>st</sup>                         | INSET DAY  | Staff only      |