

Ibstone CE Primary School Newsletter

Nurture - Inspire - Grow

Ibstone, High Wycombe, Bucks, HP14 3XZ
Telephone: 01491 638281
Email: office@ibstone.bucks.sch.uk
www.ibstoneschool.org.uk
Headteacher: Mrs Louise Long

Issue 36 30.06.23

Dear Families,

It has been yet another busy week in school, we can't believe we only have three weeks of term left!

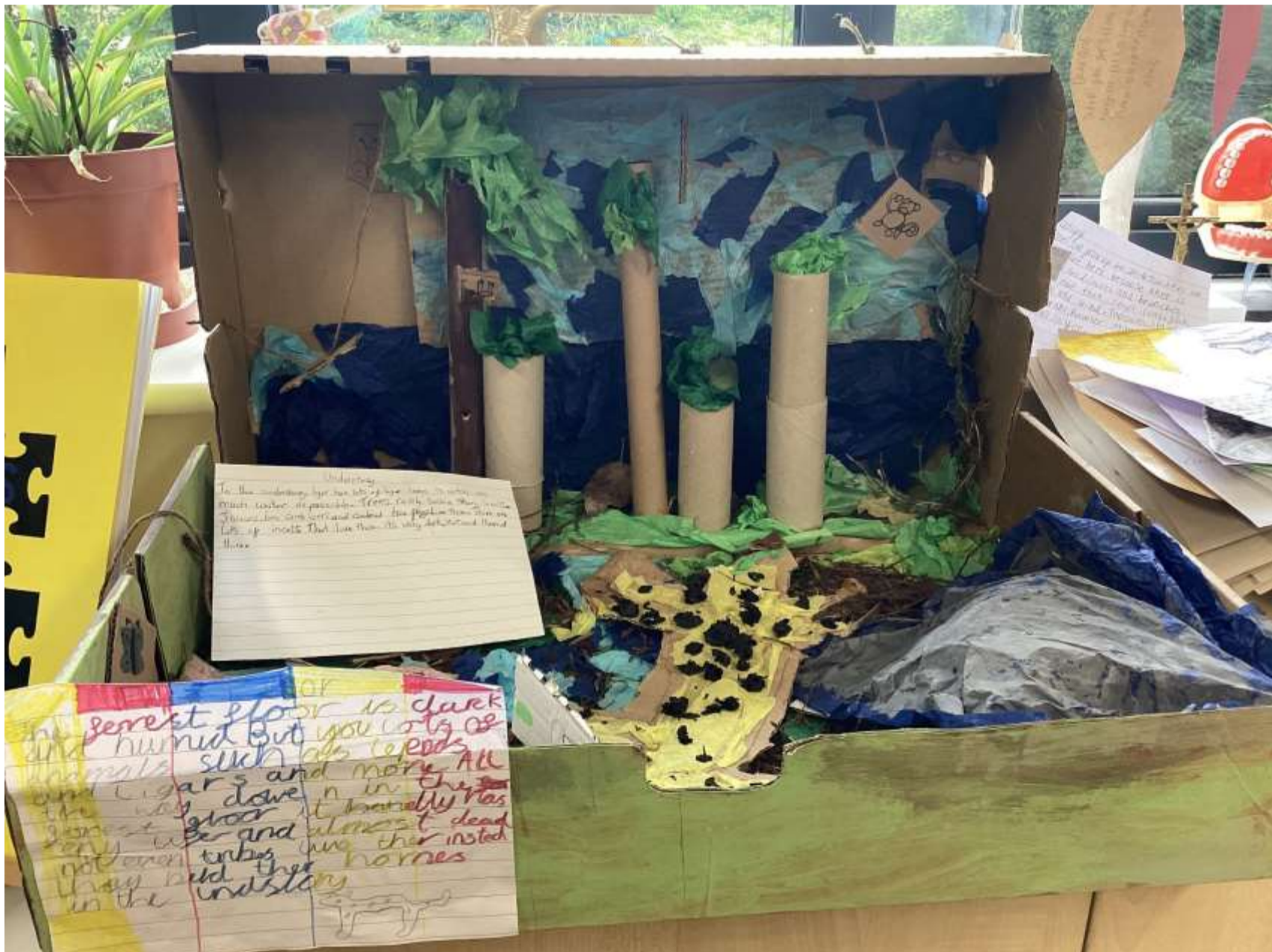
There has been a lot of activity on the MUGA with children from across the school practising for Sports Day next week.

Ladybirds have been writing their own Mr Gumpy stories and have been looking at transport through the ages and identified similarities and differences. They enjoyed making their own helicopters to fly off the end of the decking.

Woodland Class have become journalists and have been writing newspaper reports about the tragic accident of the giant who fell on the flyover. This has been inspired by their class book Jack and the Baked Beanstalk. They have also been looking at Paul Klee 'Castle and Sun' and have made their own versions.



Kestrel Class have been planning their own One Wish stories and they have continued to learn about the Rainforest and have finished their Rainforest models.



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



In Osprey Class, the children have been looking at The Highway Man and have worked as a class to produce a great performance of the poem which included a sound scape to enhance their dramatic piece. Year 5 finished their wonderful moving toys, they are amazing!



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

In science the whole class have continued their topic on light and have been investigating refraction - how light travels at different speeds through water and glass and how this bends the light. They have conducted experiments to look at how light is refracted. They filled glasses with water and held a picture of an arrow behind the glass... see if you can ask a member of Osprey Class what happened to the arrow!



They also studied the colour spectrum and created colour wheels to explore how, when all the colours are mixed, the light becomes white.

In Family Time the children listened to the story of the Good Samaritan and thought about ways that they could help others within the community, they made Helping Hand Vouchers that they will give out as they help others.



In other news:

Year 5 – Secondary Transfer Test & Moving onto Secondary School 2024 Meeting

There will be a meeting after school on Tuesday 11th July for all current Y5 parents to explain the Secondary Transfer Test arrangements and details about applying for Secondary Schools. This meeting will take place in Woodland Class. You should all receive a familiarisation document on 6th July direct from GL Assessment. This will be sent to your home address.

Transition Day – Tuesday 4th July

The staff are all looking forward to meeting their new classes on Tuesday morning. All children will move up into their new year groups for the morning and will spend time in their new class groups. This means Reception will move up in to Woodland Class for the morning, Year 2 will move up into Kestrel Class and Year 4 will move into Osprey Class.

School Uniform Sale

There will be a uniform sale after school every day next week in the front garden from 3pm. Cash or card payments are accepted!

Staffing

We are delighted to inform you that we have appointed Mrs Towe Butwell to join the team in September to work on Mondays in Kestrel Class. Mrs Butwell and Miss Firth will be working together as a job share from September. I am sure you will join me in welcoming her to the family.

Mrs Statham will be working full time from September and will be our Early Years Lead. Miss Smith will continue to work full time in Key Stage 1 and Mrs Butwell and Miss Firth will be our Kestrel Class team. Mrs Hodgson will be working Mon – Thursday and will form a team with Mrs Grafham who will be working in Osprey Class every Friday.

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

Ibfest

As you will have seen on the newsletter, we are heading towards Ibfest Week. Ibfest is a week of creative arts across the school. During the week, the children will work in their family groups, classes and year groups to learn new skills, access art and design opportunities, sing, dance and perform in a small group as well as in larger and whole school groups. The week ends with a finale on Friday 14th with a whole school performance. This year Ibfest will be held on the MUGA at the bottom of the garden and (due to the road being closed until 3pm) will start at 3.20pm. Parents are welcome to join us and the back gate will be open from 3pm. There will be some ushers to show you to your seats! Please bring some money (cash and card accepted) as we will be asking for donations on entry! This year's theme is Under the Sea!

We are inviting all children to wear their own clothes all week in exchange for a donation.

Kites Holiday Club – Bookings now open!

Kites Holiday Club bookings can now be made using the new version of iPal. Please follow the link below to book holiday club and for Early Birds and Kites in September. <https://ibstoneprimaryschool.ipalbookings.com>

For bookings until the end of the term, please continue to use the old version of iPal.

Ticks

We have had a number of reports of ticks on people over the last few weeks. Please do check yourself, your child and your dogs if you have been out in the longer grass. I have attached a bit more information about ticks and how to remove them if you do happen to find one on you or your child.

<https://www.nhsinform.scot/illnesses-and-conditions/injuries/skin-injuries/tick-bites>

Parent Survey

The annual parent survey link has been sent out today, please get in touch if you have not received the email.

Tomato plants

We have been donated some tomato plants and a few hollyhocks, these will be available to collect after school on Monday in exchange for a small donation to the school.

What to wear!

As we hurtle into the last few weeks of term, there will be a few timetabling changes for all classes, please see the list below to see how it impacts what your child needs to wear to school.

	Mon 3 rd	Tues 4 th Transition morning Whole school photo	Wed 5 th	Thurs 6 th KS2 Sports Day	Fri 7 th EYFS & KS1 Sports Day
Ladybirds	School uniform	School uniform	School uniform	Forest school kit	PE Kit
Woodland	School uniform	School uniform	School uniform	School uniform	PE Kit
Kestrel	PE kit	School uniform	School uniform	PE Kit	School uniform
Osprey	Forest School kit/ PE kit	School uniform	School uniform	PE Kit	School uniform

	Mon 10 th	Tues 11 th	Wed 12 th	Thurs 13 th	Fri 14 th
Ladybirds	Ibfest Week – Mufti week – wear your own clothes for a minimum donation of £5 per family Please make sure outfits are suitable for dancing, forest school, arts and crafts and playing.				
Woodland					
Kestrel					
Osprey					

	Mon 17 th	Tues 18 th	Wed 19 th	Thurs 20 th
Ladybirds	School uniform	School uniform	School uniform	School uniform
Woodland	School uniform	Forest School kit	School uniform	School uniform
Kestrel	School uniform	Forest School kit	School uniform	School uniform
Osprey	Forest School kit	School uniform	School uniform	School uniform

Year 6 children are welcome to wear their Leavers' hoodies to school from now until the end of term. Please make sure they have their school cardigan/jumper with them on the following dates: **Tuesday 4th, Tuesday 18th & Thursday 20th July**. If the Year 6 children would like to have a shirt signed, please send them in with a shirt and a pen from Monday 17th July.

Enjoy your weekend!

Louise Long
Headteacher

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

Date	Occasion	Who?
July 2023		
Tues 4 th	Transition Morning	All pupils
Thurs 6 th July	KS2 Sports Morning – 9am on the Common	KS2 families
Fri 7 th July	EYFS/ KS1 Sports Morning – 9am on the Common	EYFS & KS1 families
Mon 10 th – 14 th	Ibfest Week	Everyone
Tues 11th	Secondary Transfer and Moving up to Secondary School Meeting	Year 5 parents only
Fri 14th	Ibfest Performance – 3.20pm at school on the MUGA	Everyone
Tues 18 th	Y6 Leavers Service 9.30am – St Nicholas Church, Ibstone	Y6 families only
Tues 18 th	Garsington Opera Performance – in school time	Osprey Class only
Wed 19th	Swan Upping – more information to follow	Y6 only
Thurs 20 th	End of Year Celebration in the Garden 12.45pm	Everyone
Thurs 20 th	End of Term – 1.30pm	Everyone
Fri 21 st	INSET DAY	Staff only
September 2023		
Fri 1st	INSET DAY	Staff only
Mon 4th	INSET DAY	Staff only
Tues 5th	INSET DAY	Staff only
Wed 6th	All children start back at school 8.45am	Everyone