

## **IBSTONE CE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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Dear New and Returning Parents,

We hope your children have settled into school smoothly.

Thank you for participating in the WhatsApp Poll. We will be holding two PTA meetings: one on a Friday morning after drop-off and another in the evening at 7pm. The dates for these meetings will be announced in the new PTA group on the <u>lbstone Community WhatsApp</u>.

As you know, Mrs. Long and her team at Ibstone work tirelessly to create a wonderful learning environment for our children. The PTA is eager to support their efforts.

In the past, we've faced challenges in gathering the help needed for our events. To address this, we're introducing a new structure for the PTA. We're seeking a Parent Representative from each year group to help coordinate events and streamline communication about PTA news. If you're interested in this role, please email us at <u>pta.ibstoneprimary@gmail.com</u> or reach out via the PTA WhatsApp group.

At Ibstone, family and community are at the heart of everything we do. We also welcome Grandparents and other family members who would like to be actively involved with the PTA.

For those who are new to Ibstone, we've had the pleasure of partnering with Tom and Brooke White to run the Café and Scavenger Hunt at their Pumpkin Patch. This event has proven to be a fantastic fundraising opportunity—last year, we raised over £3,000! We're thrilled to be returning this year, with the Pumpkin Patch open from Wednesday, October 23rd to Thursday, October 31st. We will need volunteers to help staff the café (shifts are available from 10:30-12:00, 12:00-14:00, and 14:00-15:30) and would greatly appreciate any baked goods donations from parents, grandparents, and family members.

Here are two easy ways to support lbstone:

- Asda Cashpots for Schools: Opt in and select our school to help boost our Cashpot. For more details, visit <u>Asda Cashpots for Schools</u>. Asda will donate 0.5% of qualifying transactions after you've scanned your Rewards app.
- **Easy Fundraising**: Raise free donations for us every time you shop online. Over 7,000 brands donate through easyfundraising at no extra cost to you. Sign up and support us by visiting our <u>easyfundraising page</u>.

Upcoming events to look forward to:

- Christmas Tree Fair
- Wreath Making
- Tabletop Sale

- Easter Trail and Lambs
- May Fayre Tea Tent
- Ibstone Circle
- Family Bingo
- Dare to Be Different Day

We're always happy to hear your thoughts or ideas, so feel free to contact us via email or WhatsApp.

Thank you for your support!

Best regards,

Stephanie Bird