

# Ibstone CE Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Families,

A mysterious bright gleaming object has been seen in the sky for the past few days, I have been reassured that this is not another alien craft looking for underpants but the sun! It has finally made an appearance and we are hoping that it will signal the start of summer!

## **IBFEST – Monday 15<sup>th</sup> – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July**

Please read the letter sent home today carefully! We are all very excited about Ibfest! Please don't ask us too much about it though as we like the element of surprise!

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

The Ladybirds have been learning about the life cycle of a caterpillar and have been looking after their class caterpillars (they are now quite fat!), the children have enjoyed writing their own version of the Very Hungry Caterpillar and have used the computers to illustrate their stories. In mathematics they have been looking at clocks and have been learning to tell the time to o'clock and half past. They have also been taking part in the minute challenge! The mud kitchen has turned into a perfumery this week... you lucky parents, they are planning to bottle the scents to bring home!



Woodland Class have been learning about including speech in their work. They watched a short film 'Partly Cloudy' and they acted out the story adding in their own conversation between the main characters. The children had to retell the story using speech marks or speech bubbles to convey the conversation. In mathematics they enjoyed collecting information about smarties to make pictograms, tally charts and bar graphs. In science, the children have been learning about how the Earth orbits the sun and how the moon orbits Earth.



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Kestrel Class have been writing their own fables based on their prior learning. They have also enjoyed playing a range of vocabulary games, identifying nouns, adjectives, verbs and adverbs. Ask them to teach you how to play 'In my magic factory', it is sure to make you giggle! In mathematics, they have been finding the area of irregular objects such as hands and feet! As part of their Ancient Greece topic the children have been looking at Greek vases to investigate what life might have been like at that time. In French the children have enjoyed finding out about food and will be using their knowledge next week to learn how to order food and drink in a café.

#### **In other news...**

##### **Warmer Weather**

It looks like the last few weeks of term may be warmer than the rest of the year! Please remember to send your child in to school with a water bottle and sun hat every day.

##### **Kites Holiday Club**

Thank you to those who have sent the Holiday Club booking forms back. If you do need to make use of Kites Holiday Club, please send the forms back as soon as possible. If you have mislaid the booking form, you can find them on the school website on the front page or by clicking on Our School then the Kites Club navigation tab.

Holiday Club is open the week beginning 29<sup>th</sup> July, 5<sup>th</sup> August and 27<sup>th</sup> August.

##### **Transition Day**

On Tuesday morning all the children will be moving up to their new classes to spend some time with their new class. Miss Firth will be joining us for the day and is very excited about meeting her Year 5 & 6 children. We will also be welcoming our new families to the school and the children will be spending some time getting to know each other, the staff and the rest of the children. I am sure you will join me in making all our new families feel very welcome.

Miss Firth would like to invite the parents of Year 5 & 6 pupils to meet her just before KS2 pick up (3.15pm) so that she can meet you all and introduce herself. Please could you email the office if you are planning to attend.

##### **Woodland Class Spellings**

A few of you have spoken to me about spellings for Woodland Class. After the SATs and the Phonics Screening Check the children have continued to work on key word spellings in class. We have sent these lists home with the children tonight and there will be a spelling test on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July which will test them on 10 words selected from random from the lists.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Louise Long  
Headteacher

# Headteacher's Awards



## Kestrel Points



### Diary Dates

New or amended dates in **BOLD**

Date	Occasion	Who?
<b>July 2019</b>		
Tues 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Transition Day	All children
Fri 5 <sup>th</sup>	Celebration Worship – 2.30pm	Year 1 & 2 families
Wed 10 <sup>th</sup>	Opera First - Garsington (evening performance)	More info to follow
Fri 12 <sup>th</sup>	Reports Out	Everyone
Mon 15 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 19 <sup>th</sup>	IBFEST – <b>letter sent 28.06.19</b>	All children
<b>Fri 19<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Family BBQ – more information to follow</b>	<b>Everyone</b>
Thurs 18 <sup>th</sup>	Kites Disco – more information to follow	All children
Wed 24 <sup>th</sup>	End of Term – 1.30pm	Everyone

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