

Ibstone CE Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Families,

We are looking forward to seeing you all at the Christmas Fayre on Saturday. Please do pop along to Lane End Village Hall from 12.30pm-3.30pm. There are lots of things to do, tasty treats to eat and a very special guest to visit!

On Tuesday, KS2 went on a trip to High Wycombe, a huge thank you to all of our drivers for making this possible! The children all thoroughly enjoyed the screening of *Horrible Histories: The Rotten Romans*, they were exceptionally well behaved when choosing and purchasing their lunches in Tesco. We managed to fit in a quick tour of All Saints Church in High Wycombe and thought about the similarities and differences between the churches. We lit a candle and had a moment of quiet reflection before heading off to Wycombe Museum.

Kestrel Class enjoyed their Roman workshop and were excellent detectives when working out what each of the artefacts could have been. Osprey Class visited the WW1 trench and spent some time interrogating objects.



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What have we been learning this week...

The Ladybirds have been learning the traditional nursery rhymes Hey Diddle Diddle and Humpty Dumpty. They have listened to the Michael Rosen version of Hey Diddle Diddle and have used their own ideas to make their own version. In mathematics they have been using balance scales, ordering weights and using the mathematical vocabulary associated with mass. They have also been estimating how many counting objects it would take to balance an object from the classroom. The children have been practising their cutting and folding skills to make their own Humpty Dumpty.

Woodland Class have produced some descriptive writing about their sighting of the monster in the tree. They have also finally managed to catch that cheeky monster Mimble using the instructions they wrote last week. They made different traps with sticks and string to catch him! The children have also designed and described their own monsters, it would appear that some are very friendly monsters and others are a little more dangerous to be near!

In mathematics the children have been learning about different units of measure and have had the opportunity to measure mass (g/ kg), volume (ml/l), length/height (mm/cm/m) and time (seconds, minutes & hours). They have enjoyed making monster pie following instructions that used ingredients that included all four of these measurements.

Kestrel Class have planned and written their own versions of The Canal. The children have had some wonderful ideas and their stories feature rivers, lakes, building sites, cranes and stepping stones as just a few examples. In mathematics they have been using money in real life contexts, back in the classroom they have been grouping coins to show how to make £1 using 50p, 20p and 10p coins.

After learning about the Roman Villa in High Wycombe, the children have thought about mosaic designs and created their own, we will be making these in the next few weeks so keep your eyes peeled for the photos!

This week Osprey Class have been learning how to punctuate speech correctly when different people are speaking in text. They have also written stories about the objects they investigated at the museum. The starting point for these stories was... If your object could talk, what would it tell you?

In mathematics they have also been thinking about measuring, they have been learning how to measure the perimeter of shapes and how to find the area of regular, composite and irregular shapes!

In science the children have been investigating how periscopes work and have had a go at reflecting light using mirrors, they had to look at the angle of incidence/reflection.

Forest School

This week, Ladybirds enjoyed raking, playing and making pictures with the leaves in the garden. Year 4 worked well together to build a den for snack time. They also enjoyed rolling logs up the hill to use in their Forest School band! Year 3 linked their session to the story 'The Canal' and made a rope swing that everyone thoroughly enjoyed using! They also wowed us all with their mud/leaf building skills. Their wall is currently still standing and we are all looking forward to seeing how this develops.



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In other news...

Crafternoon

Thank you to those who have sent back the forms. If your child would like to come along to crafternoon on Monday 2nd December please send the form back by Wednesday 27th November.

PTA film night

You should have received a letter today about Film Night, we are delighted to be able to offer two films this year. If the letter did not make it home, you can find it on the school website under Parents – PTA.

EYFS/KS1 Nativity

The children have been given their parts for the Nativity today, each child has a letter telling you what they are and what they will need for a costume. You are all welcome to come to both performances (Wed 11th Dec 2pm and Thurs 12th 6pm) which are held in the church. More information to follow.

KS2 Nativity

The children have now listened to the script and we have started to discuss parts, some children will be taking on the role of a couple of parts as the teachers are not too keen on dressing up and taking part! These are very early discussions and you will receive a letter next week to share/confirm which part/s your child has been given!

Don't forget...

Waddesdon Light Box

Our 'Little Donkey' lightbox is now on display at Waddesdon, please ask friends and family to vote for us. The votes are cast by people placing coins in the bucket of the lightbox they like the best. Each coin counts for one vote and all money raised will go to the winning school!

See you all at the Christmas Fayre!

Louise Long
Headteacher

Headteacher's Awards



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Diary Dates - New or amended dates in BOLD

Date	Occasion	Who?
November 2019		
Sat 23rd	Christmas Fayre – Lane End Village Hall 12.30pm – 3.30pm	Everyone
Mon 25 th	Forest School Yellow Sessions	Y 1/2/5/6
Fri 29 th	Celebration Worship – 2.30pm	Year 2 families
December 2019		
Mon 2 nd	Forest School Green Sessions	Y R/3/4
Mon 2nd	Christmas Crafternoon 3.15pm – 4.45pm	Everyone
Thurs 5 th	Wreath Making	Grown ups
Fri 6 th	Celebration Worship – 2.30pm	Y R & 1 families
Wed 11 th	Nativity Performance 2pm – St Nicholas Church	Y R/1/2 children & families
Thurs 12th	School CLOSED – Polling Station	Everyone
Thurs 12th	Nativity Performance 6pm – St Nicholas Church	Y R/1/2 children & families
Fri 13 th	Norden Farm Trip	Y R/1/2 children
Mon 16th	Film Night – end of school – 5.15pm – more details to follow	Everyone
Tues 17th	Shortenills Trip – Magical Nativity – more details to follow	Y R/1/2 children
Tues 17 th	KS2 Carols by Candlelight 6pm	All KS2 children and families
Thurs 19 th	End of Term 1.30pm	All children
January 2020		
Mon 6 th	INSET DAY	Staff only
Tues 7 th	Back to school 8.50am	Everyone
February 2020		
Fri 14 th	End of Term	All children
Mon 24 th	Back to school 8.50am	All children
March 2020		
Thurs 5 th	World Book Day – more info to follow	Everyone
Fri 13 th	Sport Relief – more info to follow	Everyone
April 2020		
Fri 3 rd	End of Term 1.30pm	All children
Mon 20 th	Back to school 8.50am	All children
Sun 26 th	Ibstone Circle 5k & 10k	Everyone
May 2020		
Fri 8 th	Bank Holiday	All
Thurs 21 st	End of Term	All children
Fri 22 nd	INSET DAY	Staff
June 2020		
Mon 1 st	Back to school 8.50am	All children
Thurs 18 th	Sports Day	Everyone
Thurs 25 th	Reserve Sports Day	Everyone
July 2020		
Tues 7 th	Transition Day	Everyone
Tues 21 st	End of Term 1.30pm	Everyone