

Ibstone CE Primary School Newsletter

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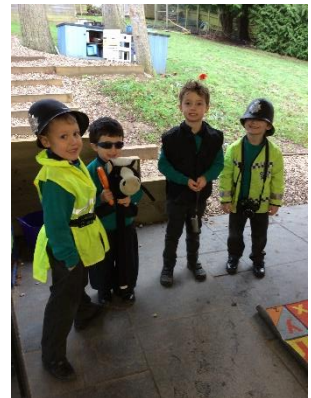
Dear Families,

Our Friday Mile is back! The children were very excited to get back out into the woods and enjoyed discussing the changes since December. The snowdrops have come up in the churchyard and there are signs of them coming up in woods too.



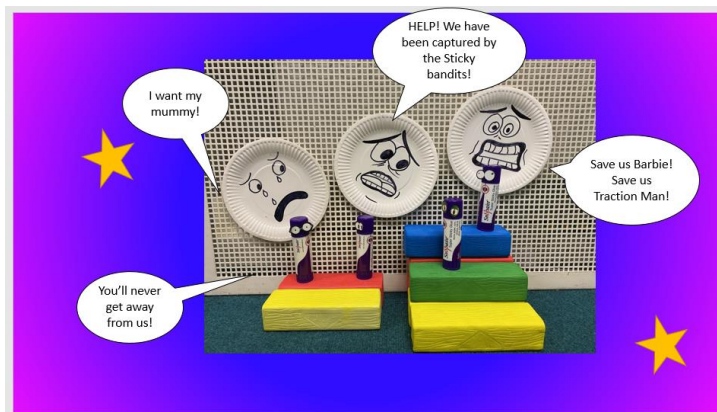
What have we been learning this week...

Ladybirds have thoroughly enjoyed changing the story of The Three Little Pigs to use their own ideas, they then made a story map to tell their stories. I have enjoyed seeing the story of The Three Little Cats and The Big Bad Dog and The Three Little Gruffalos and The Big Bad Mouse. They have also made wanted posters and developed their role play area into a police station, they have been investigating the disappearance of the Big Bad Wolf and have a warrant out for his arrest! In mathematics they have been combining two sets of objects and have been practising counting on a number line. They have also enjoyed exploring making 3D shapes to make houses for the Three Little Pigs.



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Woodland Class have read the story of Traction Man and have made their own rescue story including Traction Man and Barbie. The children have set up scenes and made their own rescue missions!



In mathematics they have been learning about division using sharing, grouping, repeated subtraction and partitioning methods. The children have also been enjoying learning about toys, past and present and have made a toy timeline and discussed how toys have changed over the years.

Kestrel Class have used actions and text maps to learn the story of Adventure at Sandy Cove. They have discussed their favourite and least favourite parts of the story and explained why. The children have all pretended they were the main character and wrote a diary from his view point, thinking very carefully about his feelings. In mathematics, they have been multiplying 2 digit numbers by 1 digit numbers. They all began by using their knowledge of place value and practical resources to support them and have now moved on to using the grid method to record their work.

The children finished their mosaics this week and all had a go at grouting! They are all ready to start on the bathroom tiling at home now!



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Osprey Class have finished reading 'Fireweed'. They have all really enjoyed the anticipation of what will happen next and everyone's expressive reading has benefitted from reading sections aloud to the class. This week they have started their topic on 'Climate Change' and have started writing a report aimed at children, explaining what climate change is, what causes it and what we can do to slow down global warming. In mathematics, they have been using the formal compact method when completing long multiplication problems. They have multiplied 2, 3 and 4 digit numbers by 2 digit numbers. In science they have looked at refraction and what the visible spectrum is and how we can see it.

Forest School

It was rather a wet Forest School day on Monday but that didn't stop everyone exploring and trying out new things. The children took time looking at the Christmas trees and discussing the differences in the needles, shape, colour and height. Some children decided to work on ways to stand the Christmas trees up, this included them honing their lashing skills to lash one tree using four ropes!

Please make sure your child has their kit in on the morning of their session. If they do not have their kit in school they will be unable to take part.

Date	Who
20.01.20	Green – Years R, 3 & 4 (Ladybirds & Kestrel)
27.01.20	Yellow
03.02.20	Green
10.02.20	Yellow
17.02.20	Half Term
24.02.20	Green

Have a super weekend,

Louise Long
Headteacher

Requests

Osprey Class are entering a competition about endangered animals, plants and insects. They have planned their display but they need your help! Please could you send in the following items if you have them (by Wednesday 22nd January).

- Clean & empty milk cartons (2pt & 4pt)
- Plastic 2L bottles (green and clear)
- Small clear plastic water bottles
- Kitchen roll tubes
- Egg boxes
- Plastic bags – any colour
- Plastic bottle lids
- Newspaper
- Sandpaper

App of the Week

Our recommended App of the Week is:



Puppet Pals Pocket – FREE (with in-app purchases)

A fun app that allows children to create their own stories and shows with animation and audio! You can add your own actors and scenery!

Headteacher's Awards



Kestrel Points



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Playground Friends



Diary Dates - New or amended dates in BOLD

Date	Occasion	Who?
January 2020		
Mon 20 th	Forest School Green Sessions	Y R/3/4
Mon 27 th	Forest School Yellow Sessions	Y1/2/5/6
Fri 31 st	Celebration Worship – 2.30pm	Year 3 Families
February 2020		
Mon 3 rd	Forest School Green Sessions	Y R/3/4
Fri 7 th	Celebration Worship – 2.30pm	Year 2 Families
Mon 10 th	Forest School Yellow Sessions	Y1/2/5/6
Fri 14 th	Celebration Worship – 2.30pm	Year R & 1 Families
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
Tues 17 th	Voice in a Million – more info to follow	KS2 only
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

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