

# Ibstone CE Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Families,

Thank you for your donations for The Children's Society, we raised £52.50 for this worthy cause helping the country's most vulnerable children.

Cross country running club enjoyed exploring a different route this week and everyone was incredibly impressed with their stamina coming back up 'the hill!' Well done everyone!



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

Ladybirds have been retelling the story of Goldilocks through roleplay. They have written cards to Baby Bear to say sorry for breaking his chair! They thought it would be kind to make him a new chair, so they have worked in small groups to plan and make a new chair for Baby Bear. They have also retold the story of The Gingerbread Man and have been measuring and weighing the ingredients to make their own gingerbread people. In mathematics they have been using positional language to describe the positions of the characters in the stories.



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Woodland Class have been drawn their own text maps for their own version of Traction Man. They have edited their work and have been learning how to include speech marks to denote speech in their stories. In mathematics they have been learning about position and direction, they have used directional language to guide their friend on a trail in the playground. They have also enjoyed using Beebots (floor robots) and the BeeBot App on the iPads to program to develop their positional and directional language skills. In science they have been following rules to make a bridge for Traction Man and Barbie! The children have also been designing their Traction Man vehicles, they have been working really hard to follow their designs during their initial making.



Kestrel Class have been working on using verbs and adverbs this week. They have also written their own adventure stories with some finding moon rock on new planets and others finding lost pets in deep dark forests. In mathematics they have been comparing measurements (after converting them) and have been adding and subtracting different lengths. In science they have been learning about states of matter and have found out about the behaviour of particles in solids, liquids and gases.



Osprey Class have continued reading 'Floodland', they have written a diary entry from the perspective of Zoe, the main character, showing her thoughts, concerns and feelings at a key part of the story. They have also stopped at various "cliff hangers" and made predictions based on evidence in the text as to what will happen next. In mathematics they have continued their work on fractions. They have been ordering fractions with different denominators and adding and subtracting fractions with different denominators both within 1 and using mixed numbers to answer when greater than 1. In science they have been using prisms to look at how light is refracted, including looking at the visible spectrum when light is refracted through a triangular prism. In history they have been finding out about Operation Sealion and how it changed the outcome of the war.



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## Forest School

This week in Forest School the Year 3 and 4 children have been estimating the age of deciduous trees by measuring the circumference of the trees and dividing by 2. The cherry tree in the corner is the oldest!

Ladybirds found pebble pals hiding around the school grounds and this inspired them to paint their own pebble pals in the outside classroom.

## In other news...

### KS2 Pencil Cases

There are a number of children who are missing writing pencils, glue or a ruler in their pencil cases, please could you take the time to check that your child has the right equipment in their pencil case.

### Requests

It's that time of year when our **tissue stocks** are running low, please send in a box or two as and when you can.

### World Book Day

We will be asking the children to come to school dressed as their favourite book character on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March to celebrate World Book Day. I know that Aldi have book character costumes on offer from 13<sup>th</sup> February if you don't have anything at home! Alternatively, homemade costumes are always well received.

Louise Long  
Headteacher

## App of the Week

Our recommended App of the Week is:



BeeBot – Free

## Headteacher's Awards



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# House Points' Certificate



Diary Dates - New or amended dates in BOLD

Date	Occasion	Who?
<b>February 2020</b>		
Mon 10 <sup>th</sup>	Forest School Yellow Sessions	Y1/2/5/6
<b>Mon 10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Valentines Disco</b>	<b>All children</b>
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup>	Celebration Worship – 2.30pm	Year R & 1 Families
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup>	End of Term	All children
<b>Mon 17<sup>th</sup> – Fri 21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Kites Holiday Club</b>	<b>All Children</b>
Mon 24 <sup>th</sup>	Back to school 8.50am	All children
<b>Mon 24<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Forest School Green Sessions</b>	<b>Y R/3/4</b>
<b>March 2020</b>		
Thurs 5 <sup>th</sup>	World Book Day – more info to follow	Everyone
Mon 9 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Governors Meeting 7pm</b>	<b>Governors</b>
Fri 13 <sup>th</sup>	Sport Relief – more info to follow	Everyone
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup>	Voice in a Million – more info to follow	KS2 only
<b>April 2020</b>		
<b>Fri 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>Three Churches Easter Pilgrimage 9.30-12.30 – more info to follow</b>	<b>Everyone</b>
Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup>	End of Term 1.30pm	All children
<b>Mon 6<sup>th</sup>- Thurs 9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Kites Easter Holiday Club</b>	<b>All Children</b>
Mon 20 <sup>th</sup>	Back to school 8.50am	All children
Sun 26 <sup>th</sup>	Ibstone Circle 5k & 10k	Everyone
<b>May 2020</b>		
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup>	Bank Holiday	All
Thurs 21 <sup>st</sup>	End of Term	All children
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup>	INSET DAY	Staff
<b>June 2020</b>		
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup>	Back to school 8.50am	All children
Thurs 18 <sup>th</sup>	Sports Day	Everyone
Thurs 25 <sup>th</sup>	Reserve Sports Day	Everyone
<b>July 2020</b>		
Tues 7 <sup>th</sup>	Transition Day	Everyone
Tues 21 <sup>st</sup>	End of Term 1.30pm	Everyone

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