

Ibstone CE Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Families,

Thank you to everyone who sent in their toilet roll challenge videos, I hope the videos made you smile , I know they made me laugh a lot! If you haven't seen them, you can find them on our You Tube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC9RiNIhuAVXo-tjSjy7gTmQ>

A huge thank you to everyone who has donated to our #TwoPointSixChallenge giving page too!

<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/IbstoneSchool>

I can feel another challenge coming soon!

Whole School News

This week we have seen the development of the Modern Foreign Languages' Classroom and the Music Room, I have enjoyed listening to the colour story in French, I think my favourite part is the rainbow at the end. I have been practising how to say l'arc-en-ciel all week! The Music Room is full of a wide range of activities, we have been listening to the BBC Ten Pieces at home.

On Tuesday I met a group of our new children (September starters) during a special Zoom Story Time, I am looking forward to seeing them again next week. I am sure you will join me in welcoming our new children to the school community, fingers crossed it is not too long before we can meet them and their families in person!

I hope you all found time to watch our Worship Wednesday posted in the Whole School Classroom. If your child would like to share a prayer in our future Worship Wednesdays, please upload the videos to the Whole School Classroom.

It has been wonderful to see so many of the children joining Story Time on a Tuesday and Thursday. It is a really lovely way of keeping in touch with you all. Please send in your requests for Tuesday story time! Email invites will be sent out to everyone at 3pm on the relevant day.

We enjoyed Pilates with Mrs Hunt again today, please note the change of day (to Thursday afternoon) next week. This is due to the Bank Holiday on Friday. The email invite will go out to all families and will be sent to the oldest child in each family. This should arrive at 11.30am.

Tadpole News



I am pleased to report that the four tadpoles released into our pond are still happily swimming about, they are quite hard to photograph but I managed to snap one. I wonder if they still look the same as the ones in Mrs Bridgen's pond? Have a look at the Forest School Newsletter to see if they still look the same.

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What have we been learning this week...

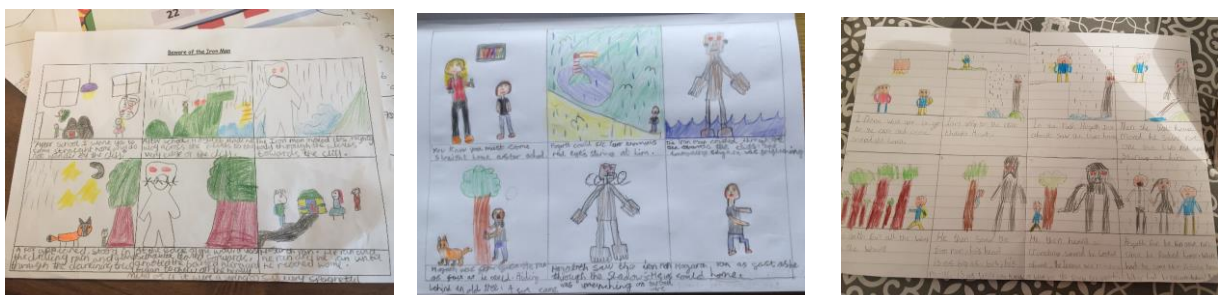
Ladybirds have been adapting the story 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt', instead they have been on a Polar Bear Hunt and have drawn their own story maps, adding their own words such as 'crumble, crack' to describe the sounds they heard as they crept across the ice. In mathematics, they have been making patterns with sounds, objects and natural materials



Woodland Class have been innovating their Enormous Turnip stories and have spent time acting them out, there are some interesting titles out there and we can't wait to read the final stories in the next few weeks. In mathematics, they have been revisiting the concepts they have been learning this year. They have continued to think about planting and growing and have been set a sunflower challenge to investigate the environments plants will grow in. The children enjoyed their transpiration experiment, although we found out that it doesn't work that well with spring onions!



Kestrel Class have continued to look at 'Beware of the Iron Man'. They have created a comic strip of the story and have discussed the parts they liked and disliked during their Zoom sessions. They have also written questions they would like to ask the characters in the story, it was lovely to hear them sharing these in their Zoom session too. In mathematics, they have been solving problems and have revised column addition and subtraction.



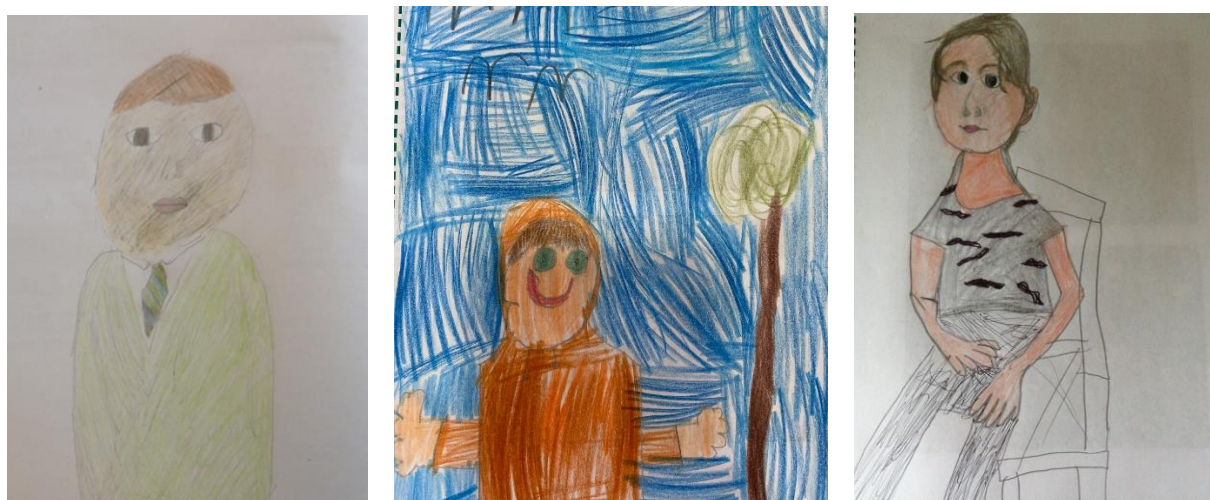
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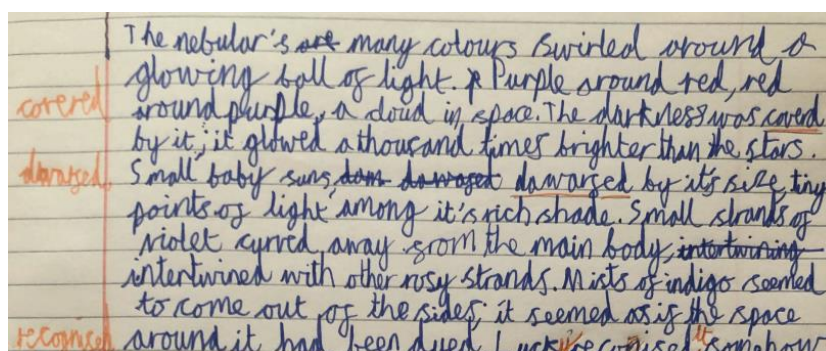
In DT the children were asked to design Iron Man, some of the class have made some amazing models using recycled materials.



The whole of KS2 have looked at the painting 'Mona Lisa' and have created their own portrait in the same style.



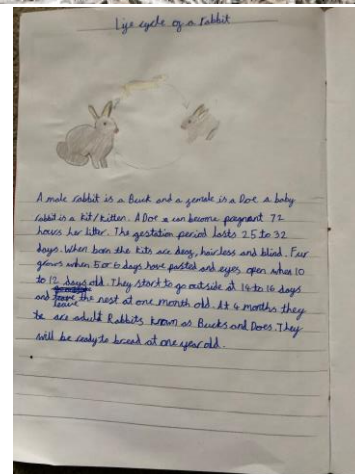
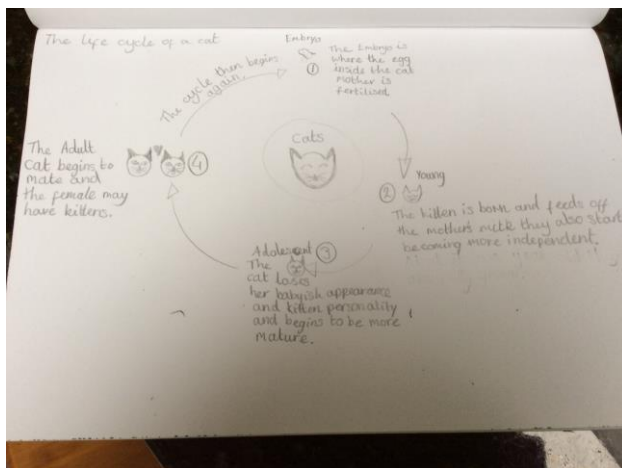
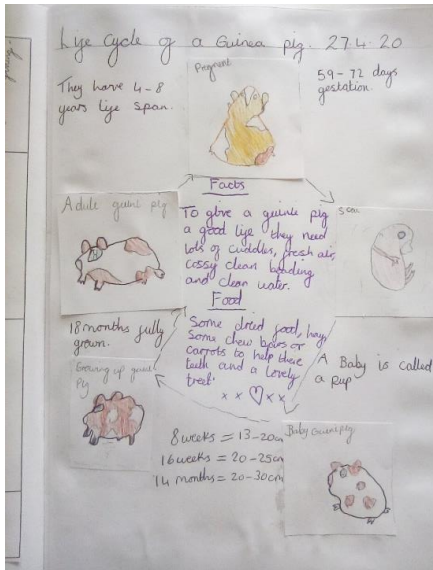
Osprey Class have continued to read their class book during their morning Zoom sessions. They have been using the text to investigate how the author uses semi-colons to punctuate sections of the story. They have also been developing their note taking skills but making notes about the key events in each chapter. The children have enjoyed describing a nebula and have drafted some amazing work.



In mathematics they have continued to learn about adding and subtracting decimals and have been working with numbers using 1, 2 and 3 decimal places.

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Osprey Class have also been learning about the life cycles of mammals, which was particularly apt for one family who discovered one of their guinea pigs had given birth this week!



In geography they have researched sustainability and have made presentations about how we can live more sustainably, including information about recycling and renewable energy sources.

In other news

You have continued to be busy at home this week, thank you for sharing your adventures and activities with us!



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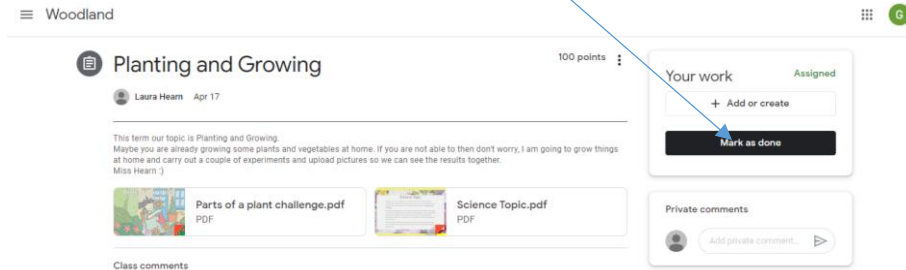
Don't forget...

The week ahead

All dates and times for the week ahead are shared at the end of the newsletter.

Let us know you are accessing the Google Classroom

Please remember to send us your photos and videos, we love seeing them and hearing from the children. Don't forget to click on Mark as done when they submit their work, this sends an email to the teacher to say they have completed the activity. If you are unable to submit photos of the children's work, please let us know that you have completed the activity at home by clicking on **Mark as done**.



VE Celebrations

As you will be aware, next Friday (8th May) is marking the start of the 75th VE Day Celebrations. There had been a range of plans at school, these can happen when we return to school! So, instead, I will be uploading age appropriate information and a number of activities in the Whole School Classroom across the week. Please send in your photos, pictures and videos to the Whole School Classroom. Mr Long has huge plans for the front of our house! I will share our efforts with you in two weeks time!

I understand that there had been plans to have a special 3pm toast to 'The Nation's Toast to the Heroes of WW2', the advice on this is as follows:

We are also encouraging all those taking part to do so from the safety of their own home by standing up and raise a glass of refreshment of their choice and undertake the following 'Toast' – "To those who gave so much, we thank you,"

Stay safe!

Louise Long
Headteacher

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The Week Ahead

All invites will be sent out on the morning or afternoon of the Zoom session

When	What	Who
Monday 4th May	9.30am Osprey Class Zoom	Osprey Class
	9.30am Kestrel Class Zoom	Kestrel Group 1
	10.40am Kestrel Class Zoom	Kestrel Group 2
	11.30am Woodland Zoom	Woodland Group 1
Tuesday 5th May	9.30am Osprey Class Zoom	Osprey Class
	10.00am Ladybirds Zoom	Ladybirds Group 1
	10.30am Ladybirds Zoom	Ladybirds Group 2
	11am Woodland Zoom	Woodland Group 2
	5.30pm Story Time with Mrs Long	Our new starters
	6pm Story Time with Mrs Long	Everyone
Wednesday 6th May	9.30am Osprey Class Zoom	Osprey Class
Thursday 7th May	9.30am Osprey Class Zoom	Osprey Class
	9.30am Kestrel Class Zoom	Kestrel Group 1
	10.40am Kestrel Class Zoom	Kestrel Group 2
	1.30pm Pilates with Mrs Hunt	Everyone
	6pm Story Time with Mrs Long	Everyone
Friday 1st May	VE DAY	Everyone

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