# **Ibstone CE Primary School Newsletter**

# Nurture - Inspire - Grow

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Dear Families,

We have made it to half term! Today we said 'Good Luck and Goodbye' to Mrs W as she is off on maternity leave, we are looking forward to hearing

# What have we been learning this week...

The Ladybirds have been thinking about signs of Autumn and enjoyed exploring the garden. They listened to the story of 'Leaf Man' by Lois Elhert and have made their own leaf characters in the garden. They have also made their characters in the classroom and have put them up to make a very autumnal display!







Woodland Class have been authors this week and have written their own books based on the Elves and the Shoemaker. They have also continued to work on their subtraction skills in mathematics.

Kestrel Class have continued to write their stories based on the same structure as King Midas. They have been thinking carefully about paragraphs. In mathematics they have been looking at the 4 times table and have been investigating how multiplication and division are linked. The whole class enjoyed working out if there is a difference between grouping into 4's and sharing into 4 groups!

Kestrel Class had the very important task of making our Waddesdon light box entry this year. Our theme was 'Little Donkey', I am sure you will agree, they have done an amazing job! Please do get voting and get everyone you know to vote for Ibstone!









Osprey Class have been developing their word processing skills and have been typing up their persuasive letters or stories about Vesuvius. They were also challenged to find information in texts they have read to develop their knowledge and understanding. The children have also written Haiku poems depicting Vesuvius. In mathematics they have been multiplying 3 digit numbers by 1 digit numbers using a variety of methods. They have used their skills to solve problems involving money.

## **Forest School**

The Year 1 children continued their camouflage work this week and built dens for the forest school animals to live in, naturally, these were camouflaged in order to keep the animals safe!

Year 2 made bird feeders and developed a game where they pretended to be squirrels gathering and burying nuts ready for the winter ahead. They really enjoyed toasting marshmallows at the end of their session.





Osprey Class continued learning how to lash sticks together and are very proud of the Forest School sign they are making. They started making a 'Mudgloo' apparently, they think it should be added to the '50 things list'!

To end their session, they demonstrated our value of perseverance by toasting corn kernels over the fire. There were a few successful popping sounds, however, they have a plan for next time they try to make popcorn!







#### In other news...

#### **Ibstone Fireworks**

The Annual Ibstone Fireworks will be held on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November on the Common. The bonfire will be lit at 5.30pm, there will be a bar and BBQ serving hot food and drinks. Please remember to wrap up warm and stay safe. There will be people collecting donations on the night and all funds are put towards next year's display! Please do respect the committee's request not to have sparklers at the event. This is for safety purposes.

A huge congratulations to our winner of the design a Guy competition!



## Raffle tickets

You will have received your raffle tickets for the Christmas Fayre, please do sell them far and wide! If you need more, please come and ask! You have to be in it to win it!

# Don't forget...

# **Cross Country Running**

The club will start on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November, please make sure your child has appropriate clothing and footwear in school (including a bag for muddy trainers).

## **Wreath Making**

Places are being snapped up quickly, if you would like a place at our wreath making evening, please email <a href="mailto:ibstonepta@gmail.com">ibstonepta@gmail.com</a> as soon as possible.

# **Morning Drop Off**

Please do not drop your child off in the playground until you have seen a member of staff out on duty. A member of staff is always out by 8.40am when rolling drop off starts, however, there have been a number of occasions in the past few weeks where children have been dropped off early. Breakfast club runs from 7.40am until 8.40am and you can book in for adhoc sessions.

#### **Messy Church**

Reverend Mark has organised a Harvest Messy Church session on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> October from 3pm-5pm at St Peter & St Paul in Stokenchurch. There is more information on the flyer in bags today.

Have a super half term and we look forward to seeing you on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November!

Louise Long

Headteacher

# Diary Dates - New or amended dates in BOLD

| Date                                       | Occasion   | Who?                          |
|--|--|-------------------------------|
|  | October 2019   |                               |
| Mon 28 <sup>th</sup> –Fri 1 <sup>st</sup>  | Kites Holiday Club                                     | All children                  |
| November 2019                              |  |                               |
| Mon 4 <sup>th</sup>                        | Back to school 8.50am                                  | Everyone                      |
| Mon 4 <sup>th</sup>                        | Forest School Green Sessions                           | Y R/3/4                       |
| Fri 8 <sup>th</sup>                        | Celebration Worship – 2.30pm                           | Y R & 1 families              |
| Mon 11 <sup>th</sup>                       | Forest School Yellow Sessions                          | Y 1/2/5/6                     |
| Mon 11 <sup>th</sup>                       | Pre school workshop 1.30pm – 2.30pm                    | Prospective families          |
| Tues 12 <sup>th</sup>                      | Full Governing Body Meeting                            | All Governors                 |
| Fri 15 <sup>th</sup>                       | Celebration Worship – 2.30pm                           | Y 4, 5 & 6 families           |
| Fri 15 <sup>th</sup>                       | Children in Need – more info to follow                 | Everyone                      |
| Mon 18 <sup>th</sup>                       | Open Day 9.30am – 11.30am & 1.30pm – 2.30pm            | Prospective parents           |
| Mon 18 <sup>th</sup>                       | Forest School Green Sessions                           | Y R/3/4                       |
| Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup>                       | Celebration Worship – 2.30pm                           | Year 3 families               |
| Sat 23 <sup>rd</sup>                       | Christmas Fayre – Lane End Village Hall                | Everyone                      |
| Mon 25 <sup>th</sup>                       | Forest School Yellow Sessions                          | Y 1/2/5/6                     |
| Fri 29 <sup>th</sup>                       | Celebration Worship – 2.30pm                           | Year 2 families               |
| December 2019                              |  |                               |
| Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup>                        | Forest School Green Sessions                           | Y R/3/4                       |
| Thurs 5 <sup>th</sup>                      | Wreath Making – more details to follow – evening event | Grown ups                     |
| Fri 6 <sup>th</sup>                        | Celebration Worship – 2.30pm                           | Y R & 1 families              |
| Wed 11 <sup>th</sup>                       | Nativity Performance 2pm                               | Y R/1/2 children & families   |
| Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup>                     | Nativity Performance 6pm                               | Y R/1/2 children & families   |
| Fri 13 <sup>th</sup>                       | Norden Farm Trip                                       | Y R/1/2 children              |
| Tues 17 <sup>th</sup>                      | KS2 Carols by Candlelight 6pm                          | All KS2 children and families |
| Thurs 19 <sup>th</sup>                     | End of Term 1.30pm                                     | All children                  |
|  | January 2020   |                               |
| Mon 6 <sup>th</sup>                        | INSET DAY  | Staff only                    |
| Tues 7 <sup>th</sup>                       | Back to school 8.50am                                  | Everyone                      |
| = 1 4 4 th                                 | February 2020  |                               |
| Fri 14 <sup>th</sup>                       | End of Term  | All children                  |
| Mon 24 <sup>th</sup>                       | Back to school 8.50am                                  | All children                  |
| TI 5th                                     | March 2020   | -                             |
| Thurs 5 <sup>th</sup> Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> | World Book Day – more info to follow                   | Everyone                      |
| Fri 13                                     | Sport Relief – more info to follow                     | Everyone                      |
| Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup>                        | April 2020   | All children                  |
| Mon 20 <sup>th</sup>                       | End of Term 1.30pm  Back to school 8.50am              | All children All children     |
| Sun 26 <sup>th</sup>                       | Ibstone Circle 5k & 10k                                |                               |
| Sull 20                                    | May 2020   | Everyone                      |
| Fri 8 <sup>th</sup>                        | Bank Holiday   | All                           |
| Thurs 21st                                 | End of Term  | All children                  |
| Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup>                       | INSET DAY  | Staff                         |
|  | June 2020  |                               |
| 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                      |
| .11013 23                                  | July 2020  |                               |
| Tues 7 <sup>th</sup>                       | Transition Day   | Everyone                      |
| Tues 21 <sup>st</sup>                      | End of Term 1.30pm                                     | Everyone                      |
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