Ibstone CE School Newsletter

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Dear Families,

Thank you to everyone who attended the family disco last Friday, it was a great evening! I am looking forward to the next one!

We have had a rather busy week this week, it started off with Ladybirds launching into their space topic.



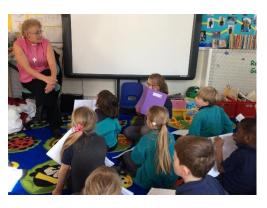
They have enjoyed reading 'Whatever Next' and role playing the story. They have also explored non-fiction texts about the solar system and painted the planets and feet rockets! The children have worked hard to develop their understanding of shapes and their properties and made some super space rockets and houses using shapes.

Woodland Class started the week by writing questions for Reverend Linda, the children thought very carefully about what they would like to ask her and everyone remembered the question mark at the end of their question!

On Monday afternoon, Reverend Linda brought her robes into school and explained about the different parts of her uniform.



She taught us about the colours of the church year and how these were reflected in the chasuble and stole she wore during services. Reverend Linda enjoyed answering the children's questions.



The children have also enjoyed learning about connectives, conjunctions and speech marks, they have worked hard to use these in their writing about Farmer Duck. In mathematics, they have been learning about place value. The Squirrels (Yr1) have been ordering numbers, using number lines and adding numbers. Badgers (Yr2) have been looking at hundreds, tens and units and have been exploring ways to add two, two-digit numbers together.

This afternoon the children have been finding out about seed potatoes, the Squirrels have taken responsibility for the regional potatoes and have been chitting (encouraging them to sprout) them ready to plant next week.



Badgers have taken responsibility for the rocket potatoes and spent some of the afternoon planting their seed potatoes.



New Information and Reminders

Lunch Menus

The summer menu has been launched today and you should find the new menu and order form in your child's book bag. Please talk through the options with your child.

Red Nose Day – Friday 24th March

We are looking forward to the Red Nose Day Talent show, the children are all welcome to take part, this might be juggling, telling jokes, dancing, singing or something else! There will be a certificate for all who enter and a prize for the judge's highest scorer! Please send you child in with a donation for this worthy cause.

Mothering Sunday – Sunday 26th March

The service at St Nicholas is at 10am, please do try to come along as the children have been working hard on their Mother's Day offerings. There will be tea and cake served in the school hall straight after the service.

Kites Easter Disco – Monday 27th March

Booking forms for the disco have been sent home today, please return these as soon as possible.

End of Term & Easter Egg Hunt – Friday 31st March

Reverend Linda will be leading our end of term service at 2pm. This service is open to everyone and it would be lovely to see you all there. The PTA Easter Egg Hunt will take place straight after the service and will end in the school grounds. There will be tea and coffee served in the school hall after the Easter Egg Hunt. Please send your booking forms in as soon as possible.

Kites Holiday Club – Easter Holidays

If you are planning on using the club during the Easter holidays, please return your booking forms as soon as possible.

Have a good weekend!

Louise Long Headteacher

Home Learning

Big Talk

If you could visit another planet, which one would you go to and why?

Maths Moments

EYFS – 2D shape – Can you look for shapes in your house, car, garden or while you are out and about?

KS1 – Squirrels – Ask a grown up to write down some numbers. What numbers have they given you? Can you put them in order from smallest to largest?

Badgers – Ask a grown up to give you a two digit number. Can you tell them how many tens and units it has? Ask for another two digit number. Can you show how you can add them together? What is the total?

Headteacher Awards



Dates New dates will be shown in bold.

Date	Occasion	Who?
March 2017		
Monday 20 th	Pre School Workshop – 1.30pm -2.30pm	Prospective families
Friday 24 th	Red Nose Day – see information in main newsletter	Everyone
Friday 24 th	Celebration Worship – 2.30pm	EYFS families
Sunday 26 th	Mothering Sunday Service – 10am St Nicholas Church	Everyone
Sunday 26 th	Tea, coffee and cakes in the school hall after the service	Everyone
Monday 27 th	Ladybirds Learning Journey Stay and Play 2pm-3pm	EYFS families
Monday 27 th	Kites Easter Disco 3.05pm – 4.30pm	Everyone
Tuesday 28 th	PTA Meeting – 9am & 7.30pm in the school hall	Everyone
Friday 31 st	End of Term Service – 2pm	Everyone
Friday 31 st	PTA Easter Egg Hunt	Everyone
Friday 31 st	End of Term – 3.05pm	Everyone
April 2017		
Monday 10 th	Kites Holiday Club	Everyone
Tuesday 11 th	Kites Holiday Club	Everyone
Wednesday 12 th	Kites Holiday Club	Everyone
Thursday 13 th	Kites Holiday Club	Everyone
Tuesday 18 th	Inset Day – Kites Club will be open all day	Everyone
Wednesday 19 th	Start of Term – 8.50am	Everyone
Wednesday 19 th	Easter Service (more details to follow)	Everyone
Friday 21 st	Celebration Worship – 2pm	Staff
Wednesday 26 th	Pre School Workshop – 1.30pm -2.30pm	Prospective families
Friday 28 th	Celebration Worship – 2.30pm	Year 2 families

Meet the Governors



Hello, I'm Karen Hester.

I have been part of the village community for the past 18 years despite living in nearby Stokenchurch. My husband Neil grew up and attended Ibstone School and is a key member of the cricket club. Neil's family still reside here and due to these strong ties we had no doubt that we wanted our children to attend Ibstone School. Both our son, now aged 12 and daughter, 9 thrived in this loving, nurturing environment before moving onto Stokenchurch.

I have been a governor for 5 years, in roles including EYFS and Chair of the Teaching and Learning committee.

I am currently the HR Officer for BWT UK, having started in the firm 18 years ago within a finance function before progressing to my current role.