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# Ibstone CE Primary School Newsletter

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E Safety is an integral part of safeguarding. At school, all electronic devices are covered by the Bucks filter which means that children are shielded from any advertisements or any content which would not be age appropriate. However, it is still important that children should be taught what to do if something inappropriate does appear on their screen. We teach the children about respect, including respect for parents. This includes only using devices as permitted and in places where permitted. At this age, children should only be watching, listening to and interacting with screens with a parent present and in a family room, not alone in a bedroom. It is also essential that parental controls and privacy levels are set to safeguard children.

We teach of potential dangers in an age appropriate way. As part of our teaching this year, Alison Watts, Chair of the E Safety Safeguarding Board, is providing sessions for the staff, the children and the parents on Monday. Parents are invited to school for a session with Alison in the school hall, 2pm to 3pm on Monday afternoon, 25<sup>th</sup> June. Please come to the school office to sign in.

We have been busy tidying the flowerbeds with our garden club children. We also have some seedlings which the children have been growing too. We do have a few gaps in our flower beds though, so if anyone is planting out summer bedding at home or has a plant or two to spare, we would be grateful for their donation. We are very grateful to Max for fixing one of our wooden planters which had collapsed under the weight of the soil, thank you very much, Max. Rachel has tidied up the planters on the decking and it looks so much better, thank you Rachel.

With younger children, we do occasionally have accidents at school which require a change of clothing. Clean pants are usually promptly returned to us, but we have run out of children's socks! We would be grateful for the donation of any socks for emergency use.

Please be aware that we are sending home booking forms for the 'Early Birds Breakfast Club' which is starting in September. Please note that payment for the breakfast club must be made half a term in advance, so payment for next half term needs to be made this term. Please return Kites Summer Club booking forms and completed slips and money for our school trip to the Cotswold Wildlife Park.

The children in the Kestrel class have been busy investigating the properties of 3D shapes. To help consolidate their learning, the children have written descriptions of 3D shapes using mathematical terminology to challenge one another to identify the correct object. This was a real test of concentration to do as it was important to keep a focus on the description provided.

In English, the children have been finding out about as many homophones as they can. They have been researching spellings and definitions as well as using the words correctly in a sentence.

In RE the children have been thinking about whether or not made up stories can tell the truth. The children considered parables and stories used to provide a moral outcome. The children studied the parable of the Good Samaritan. The children then had a class discussion where each child was able to put forward their point of view, expressing whether or not they agreed with what else their classmates had said. The children concluded their discussion by agreeing that made up stories can tell the truth.

In the Woodland class this week, the children have been writing their own newspaper front pages. This has included providing the usual characteristics of a newspaper front page as well as writing a lead story about plastic pollution and a secondary story about rights and responsibilities. Some of the children have a natural talent for headline writing. Some of their headlines have been very humorous too.

The children have practised drafting and editing skills this week as they have tried to improve upon their stories for inclusion in their newspapers. In maths the children have been re-visiting some of the concepts they studied earlier in the year including word problems. The children need to work out from the word problem which number operation is needed. The children have been practising counting forwards and backwards in 2s, 5s, 10s and 3s to consolidate their times table knowledge.

In the Ladybird class this week the children have been learning more about ladybirds. The children have learned about the lifecycle of the ladybird. The children have also shared the story of The Lazy Ladybird. The children have written their own stories about ladybirds.



In maths the children have been identifying coins and playing matching games with the coins. The children have also practised using money to buy items in their class shop.



The children have been exploring what a magnet is and what a magnet can be used for. The children made some mini-beast magnets.

The children have been making papier mache this week. The children started by covering inflated balloons with papier mache. Once the papier mache had dried, the balloons were burst and the papier mache was shaped to make a mini-beast 'shell'. The children have had great fun turning these into their own mini-beast.

The class caterpillars have now changed into cocoons which the children are avidly watching to see who will notice the first sign of a butterfly emerging.

Thank you for your support.

Ruth Goddard  
Headteacher

### School Lunches

Just a reminder that we are a nut free school. Please do not send your child in with peanut butter or Nutella sandwiches, thank you.

## Headteacher Awards

## House Point Certificate



### Diary Dates New or amended dates inBOLD

Date	Occasion	Who?
<b>June 2018</b>		
25 <sup>th</sup> June	E-Safety for pupils 1-2pm and parents 2-3pm	All
28 <sup>th</sup> June	Garsington Opera at Holy Trinity School	Woodland and Kestrel
<b>July 2018</b>		
3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Transition Day	All
6 <sup>th</sup> July	The Big Sing at Wormsley	All
9 <sup>th</sup> July	School Reports	All
12 <sup>th</sup> July	School Trip	All
20 <sup>th</sup> July	Kites Summer Disco 3.15-4.30pm	All
24 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer Celebration Service 9.30am	All
24 <sup>th</sup> July	EOT 1.30pm	All
30 <sup>th</sup> July	Kites Holiday Club Starts	All