

# Ibstone CE Primary School Newsletter

Nurture - Inspire - Grow

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Dear Families,

It has been such a positive start to the new academic year. The children have all embraced school life as if they had not ever been away! I am so proud of all of them for their superb attitudes to learning. Well done everyone!

A very special Ibstone welcome to all of our new children, we hope you will be incredibly happy being part of the Ibstone family.

Our new Reception children have settled straight in too, it has been so wonderful to see them enjoying exploring their new learning environment and making new friends.



A huge thank you to all of you too for your positive messages and the way you have all embraced rolling drop off and the end of day one way system, after three days it already seems to be much slicker and the children are already into the routine.

## **What we have been learning this week:**

All of the classes have been getting to know their new class mates and familiarising themselves with their classrooms and new routines. The staff have taken some time this week to pinpoint the gaps in learning and we are already putting together a plan of action to ensure our children can catch up in the areas we have identified.

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Philippians 4:13*

We have also been looking at our Golden Rules and will be thinking about these and our school vision and values over the next few weeks:

## **Our Golden Rules**

### **Be kind**

Always think about other people's feelings, be a good friend to everyone and be loving.

*(Love, Community)*

### **Be respectful**

Always be polite, listen to others and take care of property.

*(Respect, Community)*

### **Be resilient**

Always try your best and don't give up!

*(Courage)*

### **Be the best you can be**

Persevere and always do your best in everything you do!

*(Perseverance)*

***Do to others what you want them to do to you***

## **Our School Vision**

Our vision is to nurture our community enabling everyone to grow through our Christian values. We inspire our children to be resilient, confident and courageous whilst developing a lasting love of learning.

This vision is underpinned by our Christian values:

- Love
- Courage
- Respect
- Community
- Perseverance

And our Bible verse:

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## In other news:

### School Photographer

I have spoken to Danny our school photographer and he is pleased to be able to come into school and take individual photographs again this year. He has a clear social distancing plan and the photos will be taken on the decking. We will be welcoming him in on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September. Unfortunately, we are unable to offer extended family photos this year due to current restrictions.

### PE Days

PE will start next week. Woodland, Kestrel and Osprey Class should follow the information on their calendars (a copy has been sent home in bags today). Ladybirds will be having their PE sessions on a Friday.

Please make sure your child comes to school in their PE kit. They do not need to bring their uniform in, we are trying to remove the need for changing.

Have a great weekend, I am looking forward to seeing you all on Monday!

Louise Long  
Headteacher

### Diary Dates New or amended dates in BOLD

Date	Occasion	Who?
<b>September 2020</b>		
Tues 1 <sup>st</sup>	INSET	Staff only
Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup>	School starts for all children 8.50am	All children
<b>Fri 11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>School Photos</b>	<b>All children</b>
Mon 14 <sup>th</sup>	Forest School – Blue Sessions	Y 3/4
<b>Thurs 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Jeans for Genes Day</b>	<b>Everyone</b>
Fri 18 <sup>th</sup>	Forest School - Orange Sessions	Y 5/6
Mon 21 <sup>st</sup>	Forest School - Yellow Sessions	Y 1/2
<b>October 2020</b>		
Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup>	End of Term	All children
<b>November 2020</b>		
Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Back to school 8.50am	All children
<b>Thurs 12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Children in Need – more info to follow</b>	<b>Everyone</b>
<b>December 2020</b>		
Fri 18 <sup>th</sup>	End of Term 1.30pm	All children
<b>January 2021</b>		
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup>	INSET DAY	Staff only
Tues 5 <sup>th</sup>	Back to school 8.50am	Everyone
<b>February 2021</b>		
Fri 12 <sup>th</sup>	End of Term	All children
Mon 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Back to school 8.50am	All children

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<b>March 2021</b>		
<b>Thurs 4<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>World Book Day – more info to follow</b>	<b>Everyone</b>
<b>Fri 19<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Sport Relief – more info to follow</b>	<b>Everyone</b>
Wed 31 <sup>st</sup>	End of Term 1.30pm	All children
<b>April 2021</b>		
Thurs 1 <sup>st</sup>	INSET DAY	Staff only
Mon 19 <sup>th</sup>	Back to school 8.50am	All children
<b>Sun 25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Ibstone Circle 5k &amp; 10k</b>	<b>Everyone</b>
<b>May 2021</b>		
Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Bank Holiday	Everyone
Fri 28 <sup>th</sup>	End of Term	Everyone
<b>June 2021</b>		
Mon 7 <sup>th</sup>	INSET DAY	Staff only
Tues 8 <sup>th</sup>	Back to school 8.50am	All children
<b>July 2021</b>		
Tues 20 <sup>th</sup>	End of Term 1.30pm	Everyone
Wed 21 <sup>st</sup>	INSET DAY	Staff Only
<b>August 2021</b>		
TBC	Ibstone Horticultural Show	Everyone
<b>September 2021</b>		
Wed 1 <sup>st</sup>	INSET Day	Staff only
Thurs 2 <sup>nd</sup>	School starts for all children	All children

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