

# Ibstone CE Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Families,

WOW... WOW... WOW! That is all I can say!

At the end of last week and over the course of the weekend the most amazing transformation took place! The old slippery decking has been replaced with new anti-slip decking which will enable us to use the decking area all year round.



A huge thank you to Sheldan and his team from Lunnon and Tilbury for working hard to get this done for us and for building us a special surprise!

As you are all aware, we are unable to perform our Nativities in the church in the normal 'Ibstone' way, so, instead, we are performing four Nativities, one for each class! And, as we couldn't use the church, we have gone one step further and the old decking has been used to make the 'Bethlehem Stable'.



The children have all been rehearsing this week and thoroughly enjoyed putting their costumes on for Nativity photos with Danny on Tuesday (don't forget you can still order more photos from the galleries) and for their recorded dress rehearsals today with Ben (don't forget to submit your orders for copies of the Nativities)!



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In other news:

**Nativity Timings:**

| Date                      | Who?            | Time | Audience                                   |
|---------------------------|-----------------|------|--|
| Monday 7 <sup>th</sup>    | Woodland Class  | 2pm  | Woodland Class families                    |
| Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup>   | Kestrel Class   | 2pm  | Kestrel Class families                     |
| Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> | Ladybirds Class | 2pm  | Ladybirds Class families                   |
| Friday 11 <sup>th</sup>   | Osprey Class    | 2pm  | Osprey Class families                      |
| Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup>  | Osprey Class    | 2pm  | Invited care homes, wider community etc    |
| Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup>  | Osprey Class    | 5pm  | Whole school community and wider community |

**Raffle Tickets**

There are still a number of tickets in circulation, please send them in on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December.

**Nativity Photos Orders**

Orders placed before 7<sup>th</sup> December will be delivered to school before the end of term.

**Nativity Film Orders**

Please complete the Survey Monkey sent out with the newsletter to place your orders.

**Don't forget!**

**Raffle Draw**

The draw will take place during a special **Raffle Draw Zoom at 1pm on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December**. Don't worry if you can't join us for the draw or you have sold tickets to people outside our school community, we will arrange for all prizes to get to the winners before the end of term.

**Shine a Light for Advent**

We hope you are enjoying using the Shine a Light for Advent calendar, we would love to hear how you have been using it at home!

**The Kindness Crib**

There have been a number of pieces of straw added to the Kindness Crib this week, well done children!

Have a good weekend!  
Louise Long  
Headteacher

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# Headteacher Awards



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# Forest School Award



## Diary Dates New or amended dates in BOLD

| Date                   | Occasion  | Who?            |
|------------------------|---|-----------------|
| <b>December 2020</b>   |   |                 |
| Mon 7 <sup>th</sup>    | Woodland Nativity (please note no Forest School for Woodland Class) | Woodland Class  |
| Tues 8 <sup>th</sup>   | Kestrel Nativity  | Kestrel Class   |
| Wed 9 <sup>th</sup>    | Flu immunisations   | All children    |
| Thurs 10 <sup>th</sup> | Ladybirds Nativity  | Ladybirds Class |
| Fri 10 <sup>th</sup>   | Raffle Draw Zoom 1pm  | Everyone        |
| Fri 10 <sup>th</sup>   | Osprey Nativity   | Osprey Class    |
| 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    |
| <b>March 2021</b>      |   |                 |
| Thurs 4 <sup>th</sup>  | World Book Day – more info to follow                                | Everyone        |
| Fri 19 <sup>th</sup>   | Sport Relief – more info to follow                                  | Everyone        |
| 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    |
| Sun 25 <sup>th</sup>   | Ibstone Circle 5k & 10k   | Everyone        |
| <b>May 2021</b>        |   |                 |
| Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup>    | Bank Holiday  | Everyone        |
| Fri 28 <sup>th</sup>   | End of Term   | Everyone        |

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| <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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