Ibstone CE Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Families,

It was lovely to see so many of you at our Zoom Harvest Worship, thank you for joining us! The Ladybirds and Osprey Class thoroughly enjoyed making the bread ...



















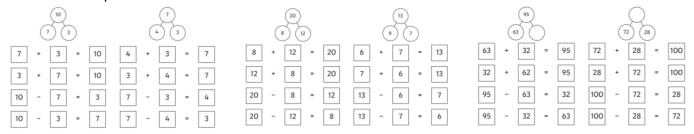
What we have been learning this week:

Ladybirds have been retelling and sequencing Rosie's Walk and have innovated the story to include their own characters. We have seen some superb ideas! Lola the owl who went for a fly, Rainbow the rabbit went for a hop! The children have used their phonic knowledge to hear and write the sounds they could hear in their sentences. In mathematics they have been using mathematical language such as less, more, fewer and greater to describe quanities. They have followed recipes to make playdough and their hedgehog bread.

All the children thoroughly enjoyed using the playdough they had made to take part in Dough Disco!

Woodland Class have been writing their Harvest acrostic poem and have learnt it off by heart, well done! It was an amazing performance. They have also been learning about weather reporting and have filmed their own weather reports! The good news is, they have all reported that the weather this weekend is going to be cold but sunny, I hope they are right!

In mathematics they have been consolidating using the part whole model and have been finding out about fact families for example:



The children have all enjoyed making their Christmas cards and we hope that they have made you smile too!

Kestrel Class have written another version of The Old Mill as the invention stage, they have been on adventures to mysterious forests, scary deserts, cities, rocky mountains, beaches, jungles, rainforests and castles. They have also discovered a whole host of mythical creatures.

In mathematics Year 3 have been learning about adding 3 digit numbers and 1 digit numbers, crossing into the next 10 and 100. Year 4 have been adding pairs of 3 digit numbers, also crossing into the next 10 and 100.

Kestrel class have discussed the different people in our school community and thought about how each of them play a role in helping us with our learning. In history they have continued looking at life in Anglo-Saxon times and looked at what the villages were like. They have also looked at Anglo-Saxon houses and discovered they were built from wood, manure and hay and they also only had one room.

Osprey Class have continued reading 'Girl of Ink and Stars'. Year 6 have been writing the untold story of a character in the book using facts from the text and the whole class have been re writing the Legend of Arinta using descriptive language. The Year 5 children have also been challenged to use their prior learning and include fronted adverbials in their writing!

In mathematics, Year 5 have been consolidating their addition and subtraction skills, using inverse operations and estimation skills to solve a wide variety of mutli step word problems. Year 6 have been learning about square and cubed numbers and have been reasoning from known facts such as if $8 \times 9 = 72$ then $80 \times 90 = 7200$. They have also been refreshing their mental maths strategies!

Osprey Class have been using a variety of word processing programs to type up and edit their Harvest prayers. They worked well as a team to make the Harvest loaf.

After the successes of egg cracking and jammy biscuits last week, they enjoyed making chicken couscous this week!

Forest School News

Year 3 have been practising their stealth skills by seeing if they could move around the site silently while holding bells! They then used these skills to play a predator/ prey game. The children enjoyed conker target practice and a highlight was the zip line post office!

Year 4 continued to discover the Forest School site, they were inspired to make footprint traps using sand to see if they could capture any animal prints to identify which animals enter the school site when everyone has gone home!

In other news:

Parents' Meetings

You should have all received your Zoom invites and times, please do get in touch as soon as possible if you have not received an email.

Lunch Boxes

We have noticed that there are a number of children having chocolate bars and other sweets/ treats in their lunch boxes. Please can I remind you that children should not bring sweets or chocolate bars in to eat at playtime or lunchtime. Moving forward we will be asking children to put sweets and chocolate back in their lunchboxes. A packet of crisps and a chocolate biscuit such as a Kitkat, Penguin etc is fine from time to time but Dairy Milk, Freddo Frogs and Haribo are not!

I have attached a link below to some healthy lunch box ideas:

https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes#lunchbox-recipes

Lunch Box Swaps:

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Christmas Cards

We have sent home the photos of your child's cards and for those of you who have confirmed you would like to order, you will have also received your personalised order code. If you have not yet confirmed if you would like to order, please do so by lunch time on Monday as the cards are being collected on Monday afternoon and we will only be sending those who have pre ordered.

Spare Clothes

We seem to have lost all of our spare uniform for Ladybirds and Woodland Class, therefore we are putting out a plea... if you have any underwear, socks, tights or uniform from school, please could you return it. Also, if anyone has any spare knickers, pants, socks, tights, skirts or trousers for 3-4, 5-6 and 7-8 year olds that they no longer need, please send them in!

Louise Long Headteacher

Headteacher Awards











Forest School Award



TerraCycle Information



Diary Dates New or amended dates in BOLD

| Date | Occasion | Who? |
|------------------------|--|---------------|
| | October 2020 | |
| Fri 23 rd | End of Term | All children |
| | November 2020 | |
| Mon 2 nd | Back to school 8.50am | All children |
| Thurs 12 th | Children in Need – more info to follow | Everyone |
| | December 2020 | |
| Wed 9 th | Flu immunisations | All children |
| Fri 18 th | End of Term 1.30pm | All children |
| | January 2021 | |
| Mon 4 th | INSET DAY | Staff only |
| Tues 5 th | Back to school 8.50am | Everyone |
| | February 2021 | |
| Fri 12 th | End of Term | All children |
| Mon 22 nd | Back to school 8.50am | All children |
| | | |
| | March 2021 | |
| Thurs 4 th | World Book Day – more info to follow | Everyone |
| Fri 19 th | Sport Relief – more info to follow | Everyone |
| Wed 31 st | End of Term 1.30pm | All children |
| | April 2021 | |
| Thurs 1 st | INSET DAY | Staff only |
| Mon 19 th | Back to school 8.50am | All children |
| Sun 25 th | Ibstone Circle 5k & 10k | Everyone |
| | May 2021 | |
| Mon 3 rd | Bank Holiday | Everyone |
| Fri 28 th | End of Term | Everyone |
| | June 2021 | |
| Mon 7 th | INSET DAY | Staff only |
| Tues 8 th | Back to school 8.50am | All children |
| | July 2021 | |
| Tues 20 th | End of Term 1.30pm | Everyone |
| Wed 21 st | INSET DAY | Staff Only |
| | August 2021 | |
| TBC | Ibstone Horticultural Show | Everyone |
| | September 2021 | |
| Wed 1 st | INSET Day | Staff only |
| Thurs 2 nd | School starts for all children | Alll children |