

Ibstone CE School Newsletter

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Dear Families,

I hope you all enjoyed your half term, the children have returned to school refreshed and eager to learn.

This week the whole school have enjoyed using The Jolly Postman story as their literacy focus. The Ladybirds have been delivering letters and writing to the Big Bad Wolf. Woodland Class have been debating whether Baby Bear should forgive Goldilocks, they enjoyed the challenge of writing letters to her sharing their point of view.

In mathematics, the Ladybirds have been learning about subtraction and are beginning to think about how they can record their work. Woodland Class have been looking at odd and even numbers and have been learning about division. They have been sharing objects into groups and recording their work using the ÷ sign.

Strictly Ballroom was a huge success on Monday and dance fever has hit the playground. I look forward to seeing the routine as it develops over the next few weeks.

Next week looks set to be a busy week, there is already lots of talk about Shrove Tuesday and as a treat the children will be offered a pancake as their dessert at lunchtime. If you do not want your child to have a pancake, please let us know by Monday afternoon.

On Tuesday afternoon we are welcoming the Bucks SACRE members to our school for their termly meeting, I will be talking to them about how we teach RE and how we use Worship Leaders. On Thursday, it is **World Book Day**, there isn't a theme this year, children and staff are welcome to come dressed as their favourite book character. Please remember to bring the book with you!

Thank you to everyone who has sent in their March Mufti Madness money, it is a super start to our fundraising. If you haven't sent your donation in yet please do so by the end of next week. Just to clarify, it is £10 for the 6 weeks not £10 per week (unless you are feeling particularly generous).

As we move forward with our fundraising efforts, I have met with Rachel (our Chair of the PTA). There will be a family disco on Friday 10th March from 6.30pm with a hot dog tea for everyone and Denise will be getting us all up and dancing! There is a booking form in your child's book bag today.

We have also planned a PTA meeting on Tuesday 28th March. After listening to your feedback we have planned to have a morning and evening meeting to enable more people to attend. The content of both these meetings will be the same.

Louise Long
Headteacher

Home Learning

Big Talk

If you were one of the three bears, would you forgive Goldilocks for breaking your chair and eating your porridge?

Maths Moments

EYFS – Subtraction – practical maths, can you count out 10 carrots on your plate. Eat 3 of them. How many do you have left?

KS1 – Squirrels (Year 1) – Numbers - look for odd and even numbers when you are out and about. Does your car registration plate have an odd or even number?

Badgers (Year 2) – Division – can you share your sweets or treats with your family or teddies? How many did you have to start with? How many will each person have if you share them fairly?

Headteacher Awards



Playground Friends



Diary Dates

New dates will be shown in bold.

Date	Occasion	Who?
February 2017		
Tuesday 28 th	Interviews for KS2 teacher	Staff
March 2017		
Every Friday in March	March Mufti Madness!	Everyone
Thursday 2 nd	World Book Day – come as a character from your favourite book	Everyone
Friday 3 rd	Celebration Worship – 2.30pm	EYFS families
Monday 6 th	Governors Resources Committee	Resources Governors
Tuesday 7th	Parents' Evening (booking forms home today)	All Parents
Friday 10 th	Celebration Worship – 2.30pm	Year 2 families
Friday 10th	Family Disco – 6.30pm (boking forms home today)	Everyone
Tuesday 14 th	Governors Meeting – FGB	All Governors
Friday 17 th	Celebration Worship – 2.30pm	Year 1 families
Monday 20th	Pre School Workshop – 1.30pm -2.30pm	Prospective families
Friday 24 th	Red Nose Day – more information to follow	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 27th	Ladybirds Learning Journey Stay and Play 2pm-3pm	EYFS families
Tuesday 28th	PTA Meeting – 9am & 7.30pm in the school hall	Everyone
Friday 31 st	End of Term – 3.05pm	Everyone
April 2017		
Tuesday 18 th	Inset Day	Teaching Staff
Wednesday 19 th	Start of Term – 8.50am	Everyone
Friday 21 st	Easter Parade & Worship – 2pm	Everyone
Wednesday 26 th	Pre School Workshop – 1.30pm -2.30pm	Prospective families
Friday 28 th	Celebration Worship – 2.30pm	Year 2 families