

# Ibstone CE School Newsletter

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Dear Families,

Welcome back! I hope you all had a wonderful half term. The children have come back to school refreshed and very eager to learn.

This week the Ladybirds have been out in the garden collecting leaves and twigs to make their own leaf characters. They listened to the story of 'Leaf Man' by Lois Ehlert and had to create their own characters for the story. The children have also been finding out about Andy Goldsworthy and made some excellent natural sculptures in the school grounds.



Woodland Class have been learning about the Gunpowder Plot and have enjoyed thinking of questions they would have asked the plotters. They have investigated how life has changed since 1605 and can explain why we remember Guy Fawkes. The children have also been learning about Diwali and can explain why Hindus celebrate and use light in this festival. They have also been designing their own symmetrical rangoli patterns and I am sure you have all admired their handiwork on the playground.



Each year we are asked to make the Guy for the Ibstone bonfire, the children have thoroughly enjoyed working together to make this year's Guy. Congratulations to Ruby for her winning drawing of Guy Fawkes face. I look forward to seeing you on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> November, the bonfire will be lit at 5.45pm. **Please can I remind you that the Ibstone Fireworks team kindly ask people not to bring sparklers to the event.**

Thank you all for your kind donations towards the Samaritans Purse 'Operation Christmas Child' shoe box project. The children are looking forward to making the boxes together on Monday. If you haven't sent in your donations don't panic, it is not too late, please send them in on Monday morning.

Our next 'E-Safety' session for parents is on **Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm**. There is more information on our website: <http://www.ibstoneschool.org.uk/safeguarding>

There are still a number of children who do not have full PE kits in school, please ensure your child has a t-shirt, shorts, jogging bottoms and a warm jumper in their PE kit at all times. The whole school have an extra PE session this term as they will be taking part in a short karate course. The karate session at lunchtime will still continue and the children who are part of karate club will help lead the session for the rest of the school.

Good news, due to a number of regular bookings for Monday evenings, Kites Club will remain open on a Monday evening. We will review this again before Christmas as we cannot run the club at a loss.

Enjoy the fireworks!

Louise Long  
Headteacher

## Big Talk

If you could design a firework  
what would it look like and  
sound like?

## Maths Moments

EYFS –Counting 1:1 and one more and one less. Counting objects around the house. E.g. how many cushions can you find? Can you add one more? How many would you have if I take one away?

KS1 – Subtraction especially in word problems. Can you think of some word problems to solve, e.g. If we have 40 fireworks in a box and set off 11 of them, how many will we have left?



# Headteacher Awards



# Worship Leaders



## Diary Dates

New dates will be shown in bold.

| Date                            | Occasion  | Who?                                 |
|---------------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|
| <b>November 2016</b>            |   |                                      |
| <b>Saturday 5<sup>th</sup></b>  | <b>Bonfire Night and Fireworks on Ibstone Common</b>  | <b>All</b>                           |
| Monday 7 <sup>th</sup>          | RE Day  | All children                         |
| Monday 7 <sup>th</sup>          | PTA meeting 7.30pm  | All parents                          |
| <b>Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup></b> | <b>E-safety Parents meeting 7.30pm</b>  | <b>All parents</b>                   |
| <b>Friday 11<sup>th</sup></b>   | <b>Remembrance Service at St Nicholas Church 10.50am</b>  | <b>Everyone</b>                      |
| <b>Friday 11<sup>th</sup></b>   | <b>Celebration Worship</b>  | <b>Year 2 families</b>               |
| Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup>         | Remembrance Day Service at St Nicholas Church, Ibstone – 10.50am  | All                                  |
| Friday 18 <sup>th</sup>         | Open Day 9.30am-11.30am & 1.30pm-3pm  | Prospective Parents                  |
| <b>Friday 18<sup>th</sup></b>   | <b>Celebration Worship</b><br><b>After School Cake Sale for Children in Need (more details to follow)</b> | <b>Year 1 families</b><br><b>All</b> |
| Friday 25 <sup>th</sup>         | Mufti Day in return for a bottle  | All children & Staff                 |
| <b>Friday 25<sup>th</sup></b>   | <b>Celebration Worship</b>  | <b>EYFS families</b>                 |
| Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup>      | Pre-school Workshop – 1.30pm  | Pre-schoolers                        |
| <b>December 2016</b>            |   |                                      |
| Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup>          | Flu Immunisation  | Woodland Class                       |
| <b>Friday 2<sup>nd</sup></b>    | <b>Celebration Worship – 2.30pm</b>   | <b>Year 2 families</b>               |
| Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup>        | Christmas Fayre -3pm-6pm  | Everyone                             |
| Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup>        | Nativity Performance – St Nicholas Church – 6pm   | Everyone                             |
| <b>Friday 9<sup>th</sup></b>    | <b>Celebration Worship – Straight after drop off 9.00am</b>   | <b>Year 1 families</b>               |
| Friday 9 <sup>th</sup>          | Nativity Performance – St Nicholas Church – 2pm   | Everyone                             |
| Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup>         | Christmas Service – St Nicholas Church - 4.30pm   | Everyone                             |
| Friday 16 <sup>th</sup>         | Norden Farm Trip – Christmas Play   | All children                         |
| <b>Friday 16<sup>th</sup></b>   | <b>Celebration Worship – 2.30pm</b>   | <b>EYFS families</b>                 |
| Monday 19 <sup>th</sup>         | Kites Christmas Disco – 3.05pm – 4.30pm   | All children                         |
| <b>Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup></b>  | <b>Christmas Lunch</b>  | <b>All children</b>                  |
| Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup>        | Christmas Church Service – St Nicholas Church – 2pm   | Everyone                             |
| Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup>        | End of Term   | Everyone                             |

### **In book bags:**

- Primary Expansion Consultation Information