

Ibstone CE School Newsletter

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Dear Families,

I would like to extend a warm Ibstone welcome to our four new children and their families. The children have already settled in well and we are all enjoying getting to know them.

Thank you all so much for your kind donations towards the Operation Christmas Child Shoe Boxes. The whole school thoroughly enjoyed working together to make twenty six boxes. These have already been sent off to Samaritans Purse so that they can begin their journey to make a difference to children around the world.

On Monday we enjoyed our first RE day of this academic year, the children were split into four groups and after a special worship with Mrs Grafham they went off to activities across the school, these included making prayer pebbles, making and writing thankfulness wreaths, working together to fill shoe boxes and designing their own tile to add to our school cross. As you can see from the photos below there was a lot of hard work and enjoyment.



The Ladybirds have also been learning about rhyming words, talking about and painting firework picture and what they did on bonfire night. In mathematics they have been sequencing familiar events.

Woodland class have been working really hard to use number lines to solve addition problems and enjoyed investigating numbers to find out which are odd and which are even. They have also been learning about Remembrance Day and have made a poppy wreath that they laid at the church this morning. In science they have been finding out about materials and have enjoyed grouping objects into manmade and natural groups.

As we all know from standing on the playground in the morning, our playground is one of the coldest in the county! With the wintery weather upon us, please make sure your child has a warm coat, hat and gloves in school each day (please name them!).

It was lovely to see so many of you at the PTA meeting on Monday evening, things are really taking shape for our Christmas Fayre and it is set to be a lovely afternoon. Thank you to everyone for the donations towards the Secrets Room, there are lots of lovely gifts for the children to choose for you. The next mufti day is on Friday 24th November in exchange for bottles for the tombola. We already have some excellent raffle prizes, thank you to all those who have donated prizes. If you are able to donate a raffle prize or you know someone or a business that would like to donate a prize, please let us know. Some of the prizes so far include a Kindle, a Finsbury Filofax, a 2 hour party by Denise and several beauty therapies.

Next Friday it is Children in Need. This year we thought we would do something new and have a Children in Need Café after school. The children will be making cakes during the school day to sell after school in the hall. There will be squash, tea and coffee on offer as well as plenty of cakes! If you would like to make some cakes for our CiN Café please send them into school on Friday 18th November. Please bring your purses with you at the end of the day so we can raise money for this worthy cause. If your child is going to Kites Club, please send their donation money into school in an envelope and we will make sure they enjoy their time at the café.

Thank you to everyone who came to our Remembrance Service this morning.

Enjoy your weekend!

Louise Long
Headteacher

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Home Learning

Big Talk

If you were the new President of the United States of America. What is the first thing you would do?

Maths Moments

EYFS – Practise measuring by following the recipe (attached to the newsletter). Can you make pictures to show the sequence of events?

KS1 – Help pair up the socks, can you count in 2's? Have you got an odd or even number of socks in your house?

Can you teach your family how to draw a number line? Does it always have to start at 0?

Website of the Week

Oxford Owl



<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/>

A fantastic website full of resources to support learning at home. There are phonics games and videos that show how our phonics scheme (Read Write Inc.) works. Over 200 free e-books to read and a large range of maths games and ideas.

Headteacher Awards



Values Award

Diary Dates

New dates will be shown in bold.

Date	Occasion	Who?
November 2016		
Sunday 13 th	Remembrance Day Service at St Nicholas Church, Ibstone – 10.50am	All
Friday 18 th	Open Day 9.30am-11.30am & 1.30pm-3pm	Prospective Parents
Friday 18th	Celebration Worship After School Children in Need Café	Year 1 families All
Friday 25 th	Mufti Day in return for a bottle	All children & Staff
Friday 25 th	Celebration Worship	EYFS families
Wednesday 30 th	Pre-school Workshop – 1.30pm	Pre-schoolers
December 2016		
Friday 2 nd	Flu Immunisation	Woodland Class
Friday 2 nd	Celebration Worship – 2.30pm	Year 2 families
Saturday 3 rd	Christmas Fayre -3pm-6pm	Everyone
Thursday 8 th	Nativity Performance – St Nicholas Church – 6pm	Everyone
Friday 9 th	Celebration Worship – Straight after drop off 9.00am	Year 1 families
Friday 9 th	Nativity Performance – St Nicholas Church – 2pm	Everyone
Sunday 11 th	Christmas Service – St Nicholas Church - 4.30pm	Everyone
Friday 16 th	Norden Farm Trip – Christmas Play	All children
Friday 16 th	Celebration Worship – 2.30pm	EYFS families
Monday 19 th	Kites Christmas Disco – 3.05pm – 4.30pm	All children
Tuesday 20 th	Christmas Lunch	All children
Tuesday 20 th	Christmas Church Service – St Nicholas Church – 2pm	Everyone
Tuesday 20 th	End of Term	Everyone

In book bags:

- Christmas Show Trip Letter