

Ibstone CE Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Families,

We have hit the term running! There has been a buzz of activity all around the school this week as our Ladybirds have been getting to know the school routines, Woodland Class have been settling into their lessons and Kestrel Class have been rising to the challenges of being in Key Stage 2.

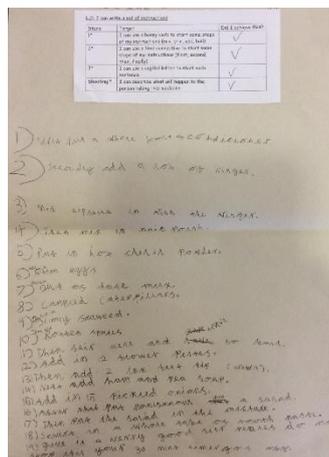
The Ladybirds have been getting to know each other really well this week and have enjoyed circle time activities, listening to the story of Titch, painting their names, making pictures of their favourite food and practising their counting. They have also been practising putting on their own coats.



Woodland Class have been learning about labels and captions and have labelled their super heroes. They have also been learning about place value and have enjoyed using the tens and units equipment to work with numbers to 100. In art they have been learning about Monet and have produced some excellent work (picture to follow in next week's newsletters). On Thursday I was lucky enough to spend a few minutes in their music lesson and was very impressed with their conducting skills!

Kestrel Class have had a very exciting Roald Dahl themed week. On Tuesday they made a rather wonderful potion for George's Grandma (I'm rather glad it wasn't made for me to try!). They had to write instructions to explain how to make their potions, the whole class are very good at being BOSSY!

They have also enjoyed data handling in mathematics, smartie maths sounds right up my street. Apparently there was a total of 72 orange smarties in the 11 packs they opened!



In other news:

Staffing

I am delighted to inform you that Mrs Jeanette Adair and Mrs Penny Hampson will be joining the Ibstone family on a Friday. They will be working alternate weeks in the Woodland Class for the rest of the academic year. Most of you will already know Mrs Adair and I am sure you will get to know Mrs Hampson very quickly. They are both very experienced teachers and will be an asset to the team.

Rolling Drop Off & Timings

Thank you to those parents who have been manning and have offered to help out with the rolling drop off in the morning. It has already made a huge difference to the traffic outside the school. A huge thank you to those who are parking down the road towards the church, this also helps keep the road clear and safe for everyone. I really appreciate your support on this matter.

There has been a huge improvement in timings this week, thank you!

Primary Expansion Plans and PTA Meeting

We will be hosting a drop in session from 6.45pm – 7.30pm on Thursday 21st September for parents only to look at the proposed plans for the new build prior to them being submitted to the planning team. This will be in the school hall before the new parents welcome drinks and PTA meeting. We look forward to seeing you there.

Uniform

The children continue to look very smart and are a credit to you and the school. As PE sessions have now started we have already had a number of unnamed and unclaimed items of clothing. Please, please, please make sure everything is named!

A gentle reminder that girls tights should be navy blue. Please see the uniform list and photos below:

EYFS & Key Stage 1



Girls - EYFS & Key Stage 1	Boys- EYFS & Key Stage 1
Winter Wear	Winter Wear
Grey skirt/pinafore dress/trousers Navy school polo shirt Kite branded school sweatshirt/sweatcardi Navy blue tights/white socks Sensible low heeled shoes (not trainers)	Grey trousers Navy school polo shirt Kite branded school sweatshirt Sensible shoes (not trainers)
PE Kit - should be sent into school in a draw string bag which will hang easily on your child's peg.	
Navy blue shorts Royal blue t-shirt Plimsolls/ trainers Branded school hooded top Navy blue tracksuit bottoms (needed for winter)	

Key Stage 2



Girls – Key Stage 2 – Year 3 upwards	Boys – Key Stage 2 – Year 3 upwards
Winter Wear	Winter Wear
Grey skirt/pinafore dress/trousers White blouse (long or short sleeved) Kite branded school sweatshirt/sweatcardi Navy blue tights/white socks Sensible low heeled shoes (not trainers) Ibstone tie	Grey trousers White shirt (long or short sleeved) Kite branded school sweatshirt Sensible shoes (not trainers) Ibstone tie
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Everything you will need can be purchased from SportCrest in High Wycombe (opposite Clarks) or online at <http://www.sportcrest.co.uk/ibstone-ce-school/s19>

Data Collection Forms

These have been sent home this evening for Woodland and Kestrel Class. If your child is in Ladybirds, your form will come home on Monday. Please make sure all information is correct and update addresses, telephone numbers, email addresses etc. It is really important that we have the correct contact information for you. Please send these back as soon as possible.

Kites Holiday Club Booking Form

This has been sent home this evening for Woodland and Kestrel Class. If your child is in Ladybirds, your form will come home on Monday. Please send your booking forms back into school as soon as possible.

Individual Photographs

A reminder that our fantastic school photographer Danny Higgins is coming to school on Tuesday 19th September. Please make sure your child is wearing the correct uniform and has their smile with them!

Have a great weekend and I look forward to seeing you on Monday!

Louise Long
Headteacher

Headteacher Awards



Our Worship Leaders



Diary Dates
New or amended dates in **BOLD**

Date	Occasion	Who?
September 2017		
Mon 18 th – Wed 20 th	Ladybirds stay for lunch until 1.15pm	Ladybirds Class (EYFS)
Tuesday 19 th	Individual and sibling photographs	All children
Thursday 21 st	Ladybirds to stay all day	Ladybirds Class (EYFS)
Thursday 21st	Preview of new building design – Parents only 6.45pm – 7.30pm	All parents
Thursday 21st	PTA Meeting & New Parents Welcome Drinks on the decking 7.30pm	All parents
Friday 22 nd	Jenes for Genes - wear your jeans to school for a minimum donation of £1	All children and staff
Tuesday 26th	Ladybirds Parents Consultation Afternoon/Evening Booking forms will be sent home on Monday	Ladybirds Parents
Friday 29 th	Macmillan Coffee Afternoon – 3.15pm – School Hall	Everyone
October 2017		
Sunday 1 st	Harvest Service – 10am – St Nicholas Church	Everyone
Tuesday 3 rd	Full Governing Body Meeting – 7pm	Governors
Wednesday 4 th	Open Morning – 9.30am – 11.30am	Prospective Parents
Wednesday 4th	Woodland Parents Consultations 3.30pm – 5.00pm	Woodland Class Parents
Thursday 5th	Woodland Parents Consultations	Woodland Class Parents
Thursday 5th	Kestrel Parents Consultations	Kestrel Class Parents
Friday 6 th	Flu Immunisations	
Wednesday 11 th	Open Day – 9.30am -11.30am & 1.30pm – 3.00pm	Prospective Parents
Friday 13 th	Kites Disco – 3.25pm – 4.30pm	All children
Friday 20 th	End of Term – 3.15pm & 3.25pm	All children
Mon 23 rd – Fri 27 th	KITES HOLIDAY CLUB	All children
Monday 30 th	Start of Term – 8.50am	All children
November 2017		
Monday 20 th	Open Morning – 9.30am – 11.30am	Prospective Parents
December 2017		
Thursday 7 th	Nativity Performance – 6pm – St Nicholas Church	Everyone
Friday 8 th	Nativity Performance – 2pm – St Nicholas Church	Everyone
Friday 15 th	Whole School Trip to Norden Farm – am only	All children
Friday 19 th	End of Term	All children

Our Wish Tree

We are often asked if there are bits people can buy for the school to help us out. We have decided to try out our wish tree which are the things that we are running low on in school or things that would enhance our curriculum. If you would like to pop one of these in your shopping trolley, we would be very grateful for your help.

