

Ibstone CE Primary School Newsletter

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Welcome back to the new school term and Happy New Year to you all. Thank you for all your generous Christmas gifts, chocolates and biscuits. It seems a long way away, but the children were wonderful in their Nativity performances and in the Christmas Service at St Nicholas Church. Well done to all our children, we are immensely proud of them all. It was a joy to see the children's faces when Father Christmas came to see them at the end of term. Father Christmas very much enjoyed his conversation with the children.

The children have been very busy getting into their stride for the new term. In Ladybirds the children have been listening to and retelling fairy tales. Their favourite story this week has been Cinderella. The role play was amazing. There were two dashing princes caught up in preparations for the ball which included writing invitations (using the children's name cards), booking a cab, delivering the invitations and even some ballroom dancing. Most of the children joined in as the ball became the event of the afternoon! Some of the children enjoyed being the organisers, but all the children found areas which gave them the greatest pleasure.

The children have been making fairy tale puppets and dolls too. The children have all completed some very impressive blanket stitching. The puppets have helped re-tell the stories. The children have also been practising ball skills outside as well as playing with the larger equipment. The children have practised counting and forming their figures correctly too.

The next Stay and Play session will be on Thursday 1st February at 2pm. Please would Ladybird parents come to the school office to sign in on their arrival.

In Woodland class the children have been practising place value in maths and using money to support their place value learning too (10p coins and 1p coins). The children's topic this term will be toys so the children have been introduced to their new topic through the story of The Magical Toy Box. The children also listened to 'March of the Toys' by Victor Herbert. The children have been imagining what their toys might do when the children are fast asleep.

In science the children have been learning about the natural world and how we categorise animals. The children have also looked at what type of baby animals there are, whether babies are hatched from eggs or born to their mothers. The children were delighted by the baby animals.

The children in the Kestrel class have been learning about myths and legends and are becoming very adept at defining which is which. They have been learning the elements which make up a myth and have begun to create some tales of their own. The children are continuing to practise their times tables, now learning the 4x table and completing column additions. In science, a range of fossils have been studied and in art and craft the children have started to create their own geodes.

Thank you to Kirstin Chaplin who has been a parent governor at the school. We are looking for a new parent governor so please read the information which has been sent home today. Nominations should be received in school by Friday 26th January.

Also don't forget to return your booking forms for the Kites Holiday Club in February Half Term.

Ruth Goddard, Headteacher

Worship Leaders



Headteacher Awards



Diary Dates

New or amended dates in**BOLD**

Date	Occasion	Who?
January 2018		
29 th January	PTA Meeting 7.30pm venue TBC	All
February 2018		
1 st February	Stay and Play 2pm	Ladybirds parents
9 th February	EOT 3.15/3.25pm	All
9 th February	Kites Valentine Disco 3.15-4.30pm	All
12 th -16 th February	Kites Holiday Club 8.30am-6pm	All
19 th February	School starts 8.50am	All
March 2018		
28 th March	End of Term 1.30pm	All
29 th March	INSET DAY	

