

# Ibstone CE Primary School Newsletter

*Nurture - Inspire - Grow*

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Dear Families,

We had a surprise visit from Father Christmas this morning, he popped in to give the children a small gift to celebrate the end of term. He commented on how kind and polite they all were! Well done everyone!



The whole school community enjoyed their Elfridges shopping trip on Monday! We are delighted to announce that the Elves have donated all the income £699 (£1 was lost on the way to the shop!) to the school. We hope you all enjoy opening your gifts!

A huge thank you to Philip and Lucy for allowing us to visit the Crib Festival at Holy Trinity Church, Lane End on Monday. The children enjoyed looking at all of the Nativity scenes. A huge thank you to Year 5 for helping set up and pack away the Crib Festival!



*Love – Courage – Respect – Community – Perseverance*  
*'Whatever I have, wherever I am, I can make it through anything in the One who makes me who I am'*  
*Philippians 4:13*

On Thursday, some of our KS2 children visited Chiltern Grange Care Home in Stokenchurch to sing to a few of their residents, it was lovely to see everyone join in with We Wish You a Merry Christmas!

**We rounded off the term with a special Worship together which consisted of a retelling of the Nativity story with lots of songs!**

**Zog and Pumpkin very much enjoyed listening to the singing!**



#### **Thank You!**

On behalf of all the staff, Zog & Pumpkin, a huge thank you for your kind words and generous gifts! We are all very grateful and hope you have a wonderful Christmas break.

Thank you for your continued support of the school. Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year to you all!  
See you all on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026!

Louise Long  
Headteacher



*Philippians 4:13*

**Diary Dates**  
**New or amended dates will be shown in BOLD**

Date	Occasion	Who?
<b>January 2026</b>		
5 <sup>th</sup>	Back to school	<b>Everyone</b>
<b>February 2026</b>		
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Open Classrooms – 3.30pm – 5.15pm – more information to follow	Everyone
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Parents Evening – more information to follow	Everyone
4 <sup>th</sup>	Parents Evening – more information to follow	Everyone
9 <sup>th</sup> – 15 <sup>th</sup>	Children's Mental Health Week - more information to follow	Everyone
10 <sup>th</sup>	Safer Internet Day	Everyone
12 <sup>th</sup>	End of Term – 3.15pm / 3.25pm	Everyone
13 <sup>th</sup>	INSET Day	Staff only
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Back to school	Everyone
<b>March 2026</b>		
6 <sup>th</sup>	World Book Day – more details to follow	Everyone
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Ibstone Circle – more information to follow	Everyone
26 <sup>th</sup>	Stations of the Cross Easter Walk	Everyone
27 <sup>th</sup>	End of Term – 1.30pm	Everyone
<b>April 2026</b>		
13 <sup>th</sup>	Back to school	Everyone
<b>May 2026</b>		
5 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 Adventure Week	Year 5 only
11 <sup>th</sup> – 14 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 SATs Week	Year 6 only
22 <sup>nd</sup>	End of Term – 3.15pm	Everyone
<b>June 2026</b>		
1 <sup>st</sup>	INSET Day	Staff Only
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Back to school	Everyone
15 <sup>th</sup> – 19 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Adventure Week	Year 6 only
<b>July 2026</b>		
7 <sup>th</sup>	Transition Day	Everyone
9 <sup>th</sup>	KS2 Sports Morning 9am-10.30am – more information to follow	KS2 families
10 <sup>th</sup>	EYFS & KS1 Sports Morning 9am-10.30am – more information to follow	Ladybirds & Woodland Class families
4 <sup>th</sup>	Pebbles Sports Morning 11pm-12pm – more information to follow	Pebbles families
13 <sup>th</sup>	Ibfest Week – more information to follow	Everyone
17 <sup>th</sup>	Pebbles Last Day	Pebbles
20 <sup>th</sup>	Leavers' Service 9.15am, St Nicholas Church	Year 6 Families
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Garden Celebration – 12.45pm	Everyone