

Thursday 22nd March 2018

Dear Parents,

Newsletter #22



Ivy Life

This will be the last newsletter this term. It's been a short but busy one with some great learning across the curriculum. Wednesday we had another successful class assembly -- cleverly presented by MORPURGO using the letters in their class name to introduce learning. Many thanks for the cake donations and to FOILS for organising the refreshments and cake sale.

Last week we said goodbye to Ethan Cracknell (Griffiths) who has moved to Lancaster with his family. We will also be saying goodbye to Alexis Brown (Griffiths) and Logan Goodship (Griffiths) next week as they move to Charter School after Easter - we wish all them the very best for the future.

Please remember that school closes for Easter Holidays at 3pm on Wednesday, 28th March. We wish you a happy Easter and look forward to seeing you all on Monday 16th April for the start of Term 5.

Sports Relief Skip-a-thon



The children are all looking forward to taking part in the Skip-a-thon tomorrow to raise money for Sports Relief. If you have not already done so, and you would like your child to participate and collect sponsorships, please log onto your ScoPay account and click on the blue wording Sports Relief and then tick both the permission box and the charity support box. Only children collecting sponsorship will be taking part in the skip-a-thon. Even 1 or 2 sponsors is enough – it's about collecting for charity and school.

FOILS Quiz Night

Friday night is Quiz Night! Starting at 7pm in the Old Hall. Thanks to everyone for getting their forms back in time. The bar is stocked and the questions have been prepared – we look forward to seeing you all. Please note that the bar is cash only. Kim Lees (FOILS Chair).

Lost Property

Once again we have accumulated a huge amount of un-named lost property which is in the Chatter Box Room (opposite the Office) and can be looked through at the beginning and end of the day. It will be put out under the canopy next Monday 26th and Tuesday 27th March and any items that are not collected will be taken to the charity shop or recycled. **Please** make sure all clothing is named for the summer term especially as cardigans and jumpers get left on the field in large numbers when the weather gets warmer.

Scotability



On Friday last week, some of our children from Year 1 to Year 4 took part in Scooter Skills on the playground. Some of the topics and skills covered during the sessions were Scooter maintenance checks, sharing the footway safely, where to scoot-where not to scoot, responsible and safe scooting and hazards to look out for. The children practised stopping, balancing skills and even manoeuvred their way around a



slalom course. Tina Giles, the Road Safety Officer from Wiltshire Council, commented on how well behaved all the children were and used lovely manners throughout the day. Thank you to Tina for coming along to ILS to teach our children how to be safe on their scooters.

Y1 & 2 Pirate Afterschool Club

We would like to say a huge thank you to Mrs Minney (mother of Elwood, Donaldson Class) who came in for the final Pirate Club and showed the children how to make a salad, just like real pirates used to! The children tried all sorts of different foods including sweet potato, mussels, anchovies and seaweed. We also found out our pirate names; Miss Butcher's is Rapsallion Fishmonger Jackson!

YR Dinosaur Lesson

On Wednesday morning both Carle and Rosen Classes spent a great hour of learning with Andrew Skelton from the Chippenham Museum. We explored lots of fossils and dinosaur bones, learnt how an ammonite is formed and even made our own ammonite from clay. Andrew answered our questions and we found out lots of new information and enjoyed learning about the history of dinosaurs.



Attendance

Whole school attendance for Terms 1-4 is 96.8%. The highest class attendance for Terms 1-4 was a tie between Hargreaves, Pullman and Rowling Classes with 97.9%.

Class	Attendance	Class	Attendance	Class	Attendance
Rosen	94.6%	Dahl	95.8%	Byars	97.4%
Carle	95.6%	Walliams	97.0%	Lewis	96.4%
Hargreaves	97.9%	Morpurgo	97.3%	Rowling	97.9%
Donaldson	97.6%	Pullman	97.9%	Overall	96.8%
Milligan	97.0%	Hughes	96.8%		

Weekly Teacher Changes

Date	Class	Replacement Teacher
Monday 26 th March pm	Milligan	Miss Harris
Tuesday 27 th March	Morpurgo	Miss Harris

Star Awards

The following children have impressed the staff recently:

Dylan Price (Carle) Charlie Morgan (Rosen) Rocco Crook (Donaldson) Alfie Pearcey (Hargreaves) Bella Metcalfe (Milligan)	Jacob Turner-Johnson (Dahl) Poppy Garner (Griffiths) Charlie Wilson (Walliams) Jasmin Rusday (Morpurgo) Jamie Thornton (Hughes)	Ella Crisp-Grainger (Byars) Ted Tong (Pullman) Nirvair Dhillon (Lewis) Eva Sherwin (Rowling)
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Celebrating Achievement

Well done to Grace Metcalfe for gaining her 50 meter swimming badge.

Yours sincerely,

Chris Cannings



To volunteer for FOILS or pass on any suggestions for fund raising ideas/events – please e-mail our FOILS team on: foils@ivylane.wilts.sch.uk.