

Thursday 10th May 2018

Dear Parents,

Newsletter #27



Ivy Life

We hope you have all enjoyed the sunny bank holiday and the warmer weather this week - the children have certainly been learning outside a huge amount this week. Attached is a letter from Ros Darby, Chair of Governors about Headship arrangements for September.

We would like to extend a warm Ivy Lane welcome to a new family – Aditi (Morpurgo) and Adway (Carle) who have joined us this week.

Nut-Free School

Can we please remind parents that as we have children with nut allergies who attend our school (one child has severe allergies), we do have a nut-free policy in place (this includes sesame seeds). Any contact with nuts can cause allergic reactions therefore we are asking for your help in minimising the risk by:

- Avoiding giving children peanuts in school lunches.
- Avoiding giving peanut butter sandwiches, other spreads containing nuts such as Nutella and snacks/bars containing nuts
- Parents reinforcing with their children **not** to share their lunches.



Due to the health risks involved, it is important that all parents support us - thank you.

Mobile Phones



Due to safeguarding and data protection policies, can we please ask all visitors and volunteers to turn their mobile phones off while they are in any of the school buildings or on site other than when collecting or picking up their child. Thank you for your co-operation.

Open Classrooms

Please come along to Open Classrooms on **Wednesday, 23rd May** from 3-5pm. Teachers will be available for you to meet with and children's books will be on display for you to look at and discuss. Mrs Philips (SENCo) and Mr Cannings will also be available.

Lucky Tray Day



School Census is on Thursday, 17th May so we will be having a 'Lucky Tray Day' in Ivy Hall. Lots of prizes will be up for grabs and we will be serving up Ham Pizza & Wedges, Veggie Pizza & Wedges or Chicken Pasta & Salad. Can we please request **all children in YR, Y1 and Y2** who ever (even very occasionally) have a school dinner please order a lunch on 17th May (even if just for one day). The funding we receive to provide free infant meals depends on the number of KS1 children who have a school dinner on this day!

Y2 Griffiths Class Assembly & FOILS Cake Sale

Griffiths Class will be performing their special assembly for parents and family on Wednesday 16th May at 2pm in Ivy Hall. Please could parents bring in their yummy cake donations to class on the morning of the assembly which will be sold by FOILS, together with drinks, that afternoon. Can we please remind parents to **avoid anything containing nuts** and fresh cream and could you also be aware there is no parking available on site for class assemblies.

YR Pizza Express Trip

Rosen Class Pizza Express trip has been rearranged to take place on Tuesday 22nd May. The children will leave school at 9am and will return at approximately 11am. If there are any parents that would be willing to help out with this trip, please let Miss Barrass, Mrs Love or Mrs Bottomley know.



Non-Collected children at the end of the school day

Please find attached the protocol for children who are not collected at the end of the school day. Unfortunately this is becoming an increasing problem in schools.

Y1 Outdoor Learning

On Thursday 17th May Year 1 are going to be having an outdoor learning day. The children will be doing a variety of activities outside on the school grounds. This will include cooking bread on a fire, spotting the signs of spring, creating art using natural resources, planting seeds and identifying different species of trees. Please can we ask that your child comes to school wearing suitable clothing and footwear. If the forecast is sunny please can your child come to school having had sun-cream already applied and they will also need a sun-hat and a water bottle.

We are collecting large stones/pebbles to use on the day - if you have any at home or find some over the weekend please could you bring them to the Year 1 classrooms by Wednesday 16th May. Thank you. Any questions please don't hesitate to ask the Year 1 Team.

Y2 SS Great Britain Trip



Milligan and Dahl had a wonderful time at the magnificent SS Great Britain ship last Friday. The children explored the ship from top deck (Bow and Stern) to bottom (smelly 2nd class)! They have remembered so many facts and particularly enjoyed walking under the



ship and admiring the enormous propeller. The children were exceptionally well behaved and Rodger and Vic from SS Great Britain fed back to the adults about their brilliant behaviour and manners and said what a pleasure it was to show them around. Well done Ivy Lane! Aye Aye Captain!

Team Bath Netball Super League Trip



On Friday 4th May, Ivy Lane Netball Team went to watch Team Bath play against Celtic Dragons in the national Netball Super League at Bath University. It was a good match but Bath were winning from the beginning. We noticed that all the players were very tall and could jump very high too. We had a great evening and Bath won 66-39. At the end of the game we all got an autograph from most of the players and we even got to meet some of the Commonwealth players! Our favourite part was the final quarter where we got to see Bath win, we all cheered and screamed at the end. We had some pom poms to wave around and a wristband to wear. It was a brilliant evening!

Written by Lily (Byars)

Thank you to Miss Spooner for arranging & taking the team – we hope this inspired them to continue playing and we can see the school team going from strength to strength next season!

Save The Date – Summer Fayre, Saturday 23 June

Please see the attached poster with details of our Summer Fayre taking place on Saturday 23rd June. Watch this space for more information near the time.

Weekly Teacher Changes

Date	Class	Replacement Teacher
Monday 14 th May	Morpurgo	Mr Thomson
Thursday 17 th May	Griffiths	Mr Thomson
Friday, 18 th May (am)	Donaldson	Miss Hemmings

Star Awards

The following children have gone the 'extra mile' at school in many ways linked to our values this week:

Bea B (Carle) Bryce B (Rosen) Lottie-Rose S (Donaldson) Thomas (Hargreaves) Taylor B (Milligan)	Layla B (Griffiths) Oliver H (Walliams) Lucca P (Morpurgo) Isaac E (Hughes)	Robyn O (Byars) Alfie V (Pullman) Joshua J (Lewis) Brajan B (Rowling)
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Birthday Books

Thank you to all the following who have recently donated books to the school library; James H (Carle), Mrs Bunker and Mrs Spyer. We hope that you all had wonderful Birthdays.

Celebrating Achievement

Finn C (Milligan) has been awarded a medal for taking part in a rugby event at the Bath Rugby ground.

Diary Dates

Please find below a few significant dates over the coming weeks.

Day	Date	Event
Monday-Friday	14 th -18 th May	Y6 SATS Week
Tuesday	15 th May	YR Trip to Weston-Super-Mare
Wednesday	16 th May	Y5 (Pullman) Sheldon School Taster Day
Thursday	17 th May	Lucky Tray Day for School Census
Friday	18 th May	Y6 End of SATS Celebration Day
Wednesday	23 rd May	Open Classrooms 3pm – 5pm
Friday	25 th May	Y4 Visit to Chedworth Roman Villa
Friday	25 th May	Y5 Chippenham Folk Festival
28 th May – 1 st June		HALF TERM HOLIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
Monday	4 th June	Start of Term 6
Saturday	23 rd June	Summer Fayre 12 noon – 3pm

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.