

Thursday 28th June 2018

Dear Parents,

Newsletter #32



Ivy Life

As the great British Summer continues, thank you for ensuring your child is hot weather ready each day with sun cream applied, a water bottle and hat! Sandals (with heel straps are acceptable in the hot weather but not flip-flop or croc style footwear please).

It was wonderful to see so many parents attending the Y1 Hargreaves Class Assembly on Wednesday this week – thank you for coming along to support your child and for donating so many lovey cakes. A big thank you also to FOILS for providing the refreshments.

We welcomed back our Year 6 children today following a fantastic time in this glorious weather on their residential in Wales this week – we are looking forward to hearing stories all about their activities by the sea.

The fun continues tomorrow with the premier league trophy visiting Ivy Lane in the morning (before heading to Elland Road in May 2020 for a season!) accompanied by Swindon Town FC's mascot and author Dan Freedman in the afternoon.

Good Byes

Today we have sadly say goodbye to Isabella (Pullman) and Felix (Rosen) who move to Devon with their family tomorrow, and also recently Amber (Walliams). We wish them all the very best for the future.

Premier League Cup and Author Visit



We are all very excited and looking forward to the Premier League Cup visit on Friday this week. There will be a whole school assembly in the morning and Swindon Town Football club are also visiting (along with their mascot, Rockin' Robin) to carry out some practical football sessions with the children.



Children can come to school dressed in PE Kit and can wear football shirts if they would like to. Please ensure your child has a water bottle in school and has had sun cream applied before school in readiness for the outdoor football sessions.

In the afternoon we will be welcoming author, Dan Freedman for a special assembly with the Key Stage 2 children. It promises to be a fabulous day that the children will hopefully remember for a long time.

Summer Fayre



The Summer Fayre lived up to its name. Some of the highlights being the Y2 Maypole display, a plane flyover, the choir performance and the amazing entries into the craft competition. There was live music and dancing and we hope funds have been raised for the school by the FOILS team.

A special thank you to Kim and Beth and the rest of the dedicated FOILS team for another fantastic school community event. Also, a big thank you to the members of the school community that gave their time (or free) to ensure the event was a success. The two school fayres will require a bigger commitment from a wider-range of parents for them to continue in the future - I genuinely hope this will be the case for the next school year.

Summer Fayre Thank You from FOILS



A massive thank you to everyone who came to the Summer Fayre last Saturday. It was great to see so many of you there. We hope you all had a lovely time in the sunshine.

We would also like to say a special thank you to everyone who volunteered to help us run the event, it was very much appreciated. The event was a huge success and once we have calculated the total amount raised we will let everyone know via the newsletter.

Future date for your diary:

Thursday 19th July - End of year Discos (more information to follow)

The FOILS Team

Donaldson Class Assembly and FOILS Cake Sale

Donaldson Class will be performing their special assembly for parents and family on Wednesday 4th July 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.

Y6 End of Year Production

Y6's end of year production, **Wizard of Oz**, will take place on **Thursday 5th July at 6pm** in Ivy Hall. Y6 Parents and grandparents are all very welcome (please do not arrive before 5.50pm). There will be no tickets for the evening, however, we will be taking a collection which will be used to fund new equipment. We look forward to seeing lots of parents and family members coming along to support the children. All ILS pupils will be watching the dress rehearsal.

Parents Evenings YR-Y5

You should have all received a text/email regarding booking a parents evening appointment on either Wednesday 11th or Thursday 12th July. Please ensure that you follow the link within the text/email and book your appointment by 9am on Monday 9th July.

If you haven't received any communication regarding Parents Evening appointments please contact the school office so that we can check our records to ensure we have up to date contact details.

Y6 Open Class Evening

Year 6 parents are invited to join their children for an open class evening where you will be able to have a look at your child's work and have a chat with the class teacher. This will take place on Wednesday 11th July between 3pm-6pm.

Y5 Big Pit Visit



On Monday 25th July, Ivy Lane's Year 5 travelled to Wales and discovered what it would be like to be a miner in the 1800s. Half of us (one class) went down into the big pit whilst the others found out how the miners lived their lives and during the afternoon we did it the other way round. Halfway through, we came together to eat lunch on the mountain's bank. Here are some things we found out:

- ★ The women and children were chained to carts full of tonnes of coal.
- ★ The young boys worked as trappers and had to care for 15 horses at a time.
- ★ If anyone was ill, they still had to work to get tokens that bought them food.
- ★ If 2 doors were opened at the same time, the wind would blow through and blow their candles out.

It was an amazing day and we thank Mr MacMahon, Mrs Storey, Mrs Gough, Mrs Ward and Mr Graham-May for taking us.

Written by Amelia M (Pullman)

Weekly Teacher Changes

Date	Class	Replacement Teacher
Friday 29 th June	Dahl	Mrs Tiller & Mrs Whiston
Tuesday 2 nd July	Dahl, Milligan, Griffiths, Hughes & Pullman	Miss Harris
Thursday 5 th July	Byars	Mrs Thomas
Thursday 5 th July	Morpurgo	Mrs Metcalfe

Diary Dates

Tuesday 3rd July
Y1 Trip to We The Curious @Bristol
Wednesday 4th July
Y1 Donaldson Class Assembly at 2pm in Ivy Hall
Thursday 5th July
Y6 End of Year Production at 6pm in Ivy Hall
Monday 9th July
Y5 visiting Sheldon School for KS3 Showcase
Tuesday 10th July
Y5 Abbeyfield Taster Day
Wednesday 11th July
Y6 Open Classrooms 3pm-6pm
YR-Y5 Parents Evening 3.30pm-7pm

Thursday 12th July
YR-Y5 Parents Evening 3.20pm-5.30pm
13th – 19th July
Y6 Sheldon Turnaround Days
17th and 18th July
Move Up Days
Thursday 19th July
FOILS End of Year Disco
Friday 20th July
Y6 Leavers Assembly
End of School Year – Normal finish at 3pm

Star Awards

The following children have impressed the staff recently:

Iris L (Carle) Conn D (Rosen) Declan J (Donaldson) Millie G (Hargreaves) Amelia E (Milligan)	George C & Tessa C (Dahl) Layla G (Griffiths) Scarlett B (Walliams) Gurjot L (Morpurgo) Morgan W (Hughes)	Fred W (Byars) Declan O (Pullman) Ella H (Lewis) Cameron G (Rowling)
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Birthday Books

Thank you to Annabel S (Milligan) who has donated books to the school library to celebrate her birthday.

Celebrating Achievement

Well done this week to Aria M (Rosen) for her swimming certificate, George C for his gymnastics certificate, Josh S (Milligan) for his medal in mini moto and Claire R (Morpurgo) for learning about water safety with the Royal Life Saving Society.

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.