

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2018

Dear Parents,

Newsletter #34



## Ivy Life



This week we say goodbye to our Y6 children, who will be performing songs at their leaver's assembly on Friday morning. They certainly leave us ready for secondary school and we wish them every success on their journeys. They have been a great example to all the other year groups with their attitude and camaraderie. We also say goodbye to Miss Spooner and Mrs Woodman, who are both joining Queens Crescent in September, Mrs Morley who is pursuing her own Yoga business and Mrs Whiston who is going to train become a primary school teacher. These members of staff have made a genuine contribution to school life and we thank them all and wish them well in their future pursuits.

We also say goodbye to several Ivy Lane families; Lexi S (Hughes), Kayla B (Rosen), Maggie M (Hargreaves), Fionn G (Morpurgo), Oisín G (Hargreaves), Devishi A (Griffiths) and Vandita A (Rosen). We send you all our best wishes for your exciting moves.

Can we please say a massive THANK YOU to the Governors, our many regular volunteers and the FOILS team.

After 11 years, I also leave Ivy Lane this week. I am taking many memories with me – some funny, some sad, some lows, some highs but mostly very happy ones. It is a special school community and has quite simply, the most amazing staff team who always go the extra mile. So I would like to say a final thank you to the staff for their efforts this year (and their support every year). I wish every Ivy Lane family my best wishes for the future and a big thank you for the kind words, messages and gifts in recent weeks.

Finally, have a great summer and let's hope for more of the sunshine! Mrs Burchett and the team will be looking forward to seeing you all on the first day of the new school year – Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September.

## FOILS

End of year discos - Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July

See attached poster for all the details. We are looking forward to seeing you all there.

We would just like to wish you all a fabulous Summer break and say a huge thank you for all your support over the last year, it really is appreciated. See you in September.

We would also like to say a massive thank you and goodbye to Mr Cannings. He's been a great supporter of FOILS over the years. We wish him all the very best in his new post. Ivy Lane will miss you!

The FOILS Team

## Attendance

The overall attendance for the whole school this year is **96.8%** and the class with the highest attendance is Y5 Pullman with 97.96%, with Y6 Rowling an extremely close second with 97.94%! We currently have 26 children who will be awarded 100% attendance and punctuality awards and will receive a book token for their achievement.

## School Uniform



As many children will be getting new uniform over the summer, can we please remind you that it is all black shoes or trainers (including soles and any pattern) no heels and no-fashion items including jean style black trousers. Please can we also request that all items are labelled before coming into school! Our mountain of lost property continued to rise over the year, but if the item is named, it can be reunited with its owner.

Mapac (our uniform suppliers) have asked us to remind parents to place any orders required for back to school by Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> August to avoid last minute panic!

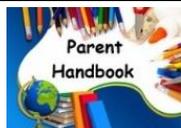
Uniform to be ordered via [www.mapac.com/education/parents/uniform/ivylaneSN1](http://www.mapac.com/education/parents/uniform/ivylaneSN1)



## School Meals Terms 1&2 18/19

The new School Dinner Menu for Terms 1 and 2 starting on Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> September 2018 is attached to this newsletter. Can we please remind all parents that any outstanding dinner or breakfast club payments **must be paid in full by Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> July**. You do not need to wait until you receive an email or text to clear your accounts as you can log onto the Parent SchoolMoney website at any time. If you need a reminder of your password please contact the school office.

## Parent Handbook & Term dates 18/19



We have recently updated the Parent Handbook for the new academic year 2018/19. A copy of this is attached to the newsletter. Also attached is the Ivy Lane School Term and Holiday Dates 2018/19 calendar.

## Year 1 Trip to WeTheCurious @Bristol



On the 3<sup>rd</sup> July Year 1 went on a coach to Bristol to visit "We the Curious" science museum. When arrived we explored the museum. We loved making giant bubbles that could go over the top of our heads! One of our favourite parts of the day was when we played in the "Build it" area, we had lots of fun trying to build a house. We also enjoyed trying to make electricity by running in a hamster wheel. After our lunch we went to watch the Splash and Bubble show. We were amazed when we saw dry ice being dropped into bubble mixture and bubbles exploded out of the tube. At the end of the show we got a big surprise when a balloon filled with hydrogen was exploded with fire – it made a huge bang! We all loved our day at We the Curious!

Written by Donaldon Class.

## Star Awards

The following children have impressed the staff recently:

Evie L (Carle) Reeve C (Rosen) (Donaldson) Maggie M (Hargreaves) Scarlett C & Finn C (Milligan)	Grace P & Gurshaan L(Dahl) Andre S(Griffiths) (Walliams) Emerson B (Morpurgo) Rio M (Hughes)	Lillie L (Byars) Marcie G-M & Jack B (Pullman)
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And all the Y6 cast and crew of The Wizard Of Oz for their hard work, dedication & brilliant performance.

## Birthday Books

Thank you to all the following who have recently donated books to the school library; Anya K, Lily Y, Chanelle A, Daniel S, Charlotte S, Christopher H, Frankie G, Lily A, George C, Alfie C and Mrs Tiller. We hope that you all had wonderful birthdays.

## Celebrating Achievement

Well done this week to Claire R, Zoe P, Sophie P and Grace M for swimming certificates, Rex S-J and Josie-Rose L for gymnastic competition medals, Ollie G, Noah B, Theo and Charlotte R for medals from the All Stars cricket competition and Owen G for an under-8 football award. Also Mia C-M has reached the amazing achievement of finishing 200 books from Chippenham and is well on her way to 300!

## Summer Food Poverty Relief

St Peter's Church, Chippenham is delivering, at short notice, a service of Food Relief this Summer by picking up the food waste contracts not used by schools and the Rise, plus other donations to augment what is on offer at the end of each week at the Salvation Army Food Bank. The project, The Food Box seeks to reach every family in Chippenham with stigma free publicity - principally this week through schools before children break up for summer holidays. See attached flyer for further information.

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](mailto:foils@ivylane.wilts.sch.uk).