

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2018

Dear Parents,

Newsletter #6



### Ivy Life

It has been another busy week here at Ivy Lane. The teachers have enjoyed the parents' evening meetings and sharing the learning that your child has completed so far. We would like to thank you for supporting your child by coming along. Should you have missed the opportunity for any reason, please do not hesitate to get in touch with the school office to arrange another time.

It has also been a delight to see children learning in the outdoors this week. Year 2 enjoyed a visit to Chippenham library on Tuesday morning and many other classes have been making the most of autumn on our school field. We look forward to continuing this buzz for learning as we move into week 7!

### Anti-Bullying Award



As you may be aware, we started the process of becoming an All Together, Anti-Bullying school last September. This award helps schools to celebrate and develop positive pupil well-being. It also ensures that all steps are taken to ensure bullying is not tolerated in any circumstance.

Through developing our pupil well-being practice, Ivy Lane has been awarded a Gold award. This is the highest achievement that draws together all the work that staff, parents and pupils have put into developing a safe and happy learning environment. It particularly celebrates updated policy, the positive play crazes on the playground and our monitoring of pupil well-being. We will continue to further this practice over this next year, so that we can ensure the learning environment is the best and most inclusive place for all.

### Parent Forum 1

Parent Forums are an opportunity for parents to share their ideas and views on school life with the Head of School, and for the Head of School to share school developments with parents. These meetings are for whole school discussions only, not individual issues, and take place both during the school day and in the early evenings. The date for our first meeting of this new school year is Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November at 8.50am in Ivy Hall and 6pm in the Old Hall. An agenda will be produced nearer the time and sent out to parents. Should you wish to add anything, please call the school office on 01249 652 556 or e-mail [admin@ivylane.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@ivylane.wilts.sch.uk). Thank you.

### School Council Meeting

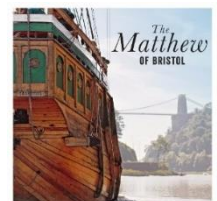
The School Council had their weekly meeting and Layla G (Y4 Hughes) wrote the following: "Today we talked about what we want to do for an art project. We decided that we wanted to make a mosaic of Bertie, our school dog, because he is so cute but we need to decide where to display it. Our task is to go back to our classes and find out for next week's meeting. Next week we will hopefully receive our School Councillor badges (we have been waiting for them to be delivered) and then find out how much money we have to spend on the art project".

### Y4 Visit to Bristol – Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October



Year 4 children will be visiting The Red Lodge Museum and The Matthew Ship on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October. A letter with further details will be sent separately with instructions of how to pay for the trip and give parental consent.

We will be requiring parent helpers for this trip, therefore, if you feel you can spare a day helping out please speak to your child's class teacher at the end of the school day or contact the school office. As the children will be touring The Matthew Ship, there is a high ratio of adult to child supervision needed, therefore, without parental help this trip may not be able to go ahead. Many thanks for your anticipated support.



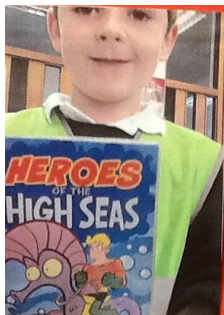
## Year 6 "First Aid in a Day" Training



Our Year 6 children have a fabulous opportunity next week to take part in a whole day's St John's Ambulance first aid training. The course includes keeping safe, calling for an ambulance, the recovery position, looking after somebody who may have asthma, what to do if someone has fainted, bandaging and what should be in a First-Aid kit. It includes varied and highly participatory activities, which support the Key Stage Two curriculum. At the end of the training each pupil will receive a certificate.

Rowling Class session is on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October and Lewis Class session is on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October

## Y2 Trip to Chippenham Library



On Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October Year 2 were fortunate enough to embark on our second trip of the year to Chippenham Library where Tracey, our old friend, greeted us whole heartedly! She shared 5 stories with the children and had them captivated throughout the morning, ending the session with the children choosing their own books to read and engaging independently in a quiet reading time. The whole day helped to promote a love for reading which is at the heart of Ivy Lane. The children loved it, but were slightly disappointed they didn't hear the 'Poo Bum' story they had heard in year 1! Needless to say they hadn't forgotten such a tale. They were all incredibly behaved and a credit to the school. Well done Year 2, and thanks to all the parent helpers.



## Birthday Books

A big thank you this week to Emma F and Aditi M for donating books to the school library in celebration of their birthdays.

## Star Awards

The following children have impressed the staff recently:

Megan C & Connie B (Carle) Laurie G & Beatrice B (Rosen) Oliver D (Donaldson) Finley H (Hargreaves) Thomas F (Milligan)	Mason S (Dahl) Nyah S (Griffiths) Samil H (Walliams) Millie H (Morpurgo) Andre S (Hughes)	Emerson B (Byars) Morgan W (Pullman) Alfie C (Lewis) Thomas D (Rowling)
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## Celebrating Achievement

Well done to Matilda C, Emma K, Phoebe E & Ella F for achieving certificates in swimming. There has also been Esther O, Evangeline LW & Otis de B taking part in the 'Ride 4 Simon' charity bike ride. Elliot L also completed a 10 mile challenge in the Race At Your Pace challenge. Whereas, Megan R can be very proud of achieving a distinction in her Grade 1 classical ballet exam. Bronwyn C has also been awarded a commended grade in the Ballet section of the Mid-Somerset Festival. A very big well done to all of them.

## Site Manager Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy here at Ivy Lane for a Site Manager. This is a permanent position and the working pattern is as follows:

**28 hours per week** across a split shift: 7am to 9.30am and 2.45pm-6pm Monday-Thursday (2.45pm-5.15pm Friday). **42 weeks per year** – Term time plus 3 weeks during the school holidays.

School visits are encouraged - please contact Kerry Nowosielski in the school office to arrange a visit.

An application pack is available from our website: [www.ivylane.wilts.sch.uk](http://www.ivylane.wilts.sch.uk)

We would prefer applications and any communication via e-mail on [admin@ivylane.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@ivylane.wilts.sch.uk), however, please feel free to contact the school office for further information.

## FOILS News



FOILS Halloween Disco is taking place on Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> October in Ivy Hall. There will be two sessions:

**KS1** YR, Y1 & Y2 4.30-5.30pm £4 (incs bag with drink, sweets and a glow stick)

**KS2** Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 5.45-6.45pm £2 (drink, sweets & glow sticks can be bought on the night)

There will be a prize for the best costume with fancy dress being optional.

Entrance fees are to be paid on the night.

Please note: doors will open at 4:20pm and 5:35pm allowing 10-mins to get everyone in for their start times.

FOILS will once again be organising cake sales after class assemblies this year to raise money. The dates for the assemblies are as follows but we will remind you nearer the time and they will all be at 2pm in Ivy Hall.

Term 2	Y5 Pullman Y5 Byars	Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> November Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> November
Term 3	Y3 Griffiths Y3 Walliams Y2 Milligan Y2 Dahl	Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> January Thursday 31 <sup>st</sup> January Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> February Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> February
Term 4	Y4 Hughes Y1 Donaldson Y4 Morpurgo Y1 Hargreaves	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> March Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> March Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> April
Term 5	YR Carle YR Rosen	Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> May Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May



### Weekly Teacher Changes

Date	Class	Replacement Teacher
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	Rosen	Mrs Gunner
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	Hargreaves (am) Pullman (pm)	Mrs Ball (PPA Supply teacher)
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> October	Rosen (am) Donaldson (pm)	Mrs Bull (PPA Supply teacher)
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> October	Milligan (am) Morpurgo (pm)	Mrs Bull (PPA Supply teacher)

### Vacancy at Dragonflies After School Club

#### After School Deputy Manager

Dragonflies are currently recruiting for a dynamic, driven individual to support our current After School Club Manager based at Ivy Lane School. For more information please look on the school website [www.ivylane.wilts.sch.uk](http://www.ivylane.wilts.sch.uk) or contact New Road Nursery on 01249 652004.

Yours sincerely,

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Assistant Headteacher



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).