

Dear Parents,

Newsletter #25

Ivy Life

We have had yet another busy week here at Ivy Lane School. The children have been enjoying the lovely hot weather and taking part in lots of outdoor learning, as well as having their lunches up on the school field. Excited Year 1 children went off to Bristol to visit We The Curious this morning and I am sure they will all return this afternoon with lots interesting facts to share with their parents. Year 6 have also taken part in an event this afternoon called the Junior Good Citizenship Programme which is aimed at equipping young people with the life skills and knowledge to cope in an emergency or a potentially dangerous situation.

It was fantastic to see so many parents, carers and family members visiting school on Wednesday for our annual Sports Day Event. We were so lucky with the weather and hope that parents thoroughly enjoyed watching the children taking part in lots of different races. Please see the article below which has been written by two of our Year 5 pupils.

On Thursday we welcomed children's author, Neil Griffiths, into school to deliver special assemblies to all the children, as well as presenting the awards in our annual Ivy Lane Awards Ceremony. Please see the article below which was again, written by two of our Year 5 pupils.

Another major event of the school year, the Summer Fayre, is on Saturday. We hope you can support FOILS and the school and come along for an enjoyable afternoon. The team have been working incredibly hard to make the day a success.

Baby News

We are very excited and thrilled to share with you the wonderful news that Mrs Schonfeld and her husband Rob, welcomed their gorgeous twins into the world last week. Mother, father and both baby girls (Bethia on the left and Phoebe on the right) are all doing extremely well and I am sure you will all join us in wishing them lots of congratulations and all the very best for the future. All the staff here are very much looking forward to meeting the twins soon.



A Thank-you from Mrs Lammin



Mrs Lammin would like to say a huge thank you, as she received a beautiful bouquet of flowers delivered to school today. Although there was a lovely card inside the box, these flowers were sent anonymously and she wanted to express her gratitude for the support she has received from parents and staff since joining Ivy Lane School.

Reports

Children's reports have been sent home today so please make sure you check your child's book bags after school today.

Open Afternoon

We are not holding Parents Evenings in July this year, however, there is an Open Afternoon taking place on **Thursday 11th July between 3.15pm-5.00pm**. Parents/Carers are invited to come along to have a look at books and displays, and this will also be an opportunity have a chat with the class teacher. If you have any concerns that you would like to discuss with your child's teacher on a one to one basis, please contact the school office and they will pass the information onto the respective teacher to arrange a separate meeting.

Chippenham Borough Lands Charity



We would like to say a big Ivy Lane thank you to Chippenham Borough Lands Charity for their support this year. Each year the school receives a generous allocation of funds from Chippenham Borough Lands Charity to support activities and experiences linked to the curriculum. This year CBLC have funded both of our fabulous art projects which have enhanced our school beautifully and we welcomed Mrs Graham-May (Arts and Education Officer) into school today – pictured here with Rosie A, Edward B, Layla B and Owen G.



Awards Assembly

We were very lucky to welcome Neil Griffiths, author, back to ILS again this year to present children with award trophies in assembly last week.

A huge well done to the children below who were nominated for these awards by members of staff. Please can we have the trophies back this week!

AWARDS 2019	Winner	Year Group
Community	Sienna S	Y5
Improved Reader	Lexi B	Y3
Friendship	Connor M	Y4
Good Egg	Cameron T	Y2
Good Egg	Ava S	Y2
Griffiths Star Reader	Otis D B	Y1
Griffiths Star Reader	Opal G	Y1
Leo Darby Commitment	Ella S	Y6
Little Learner	Ben H	YR
Little Learner	Ruby M	YR
Little Ray of Sunshine	Thomas W	Y1
Little Ray of Sunshine	Ella F	Y1
Marshall Advocate	Bradley H	Y6
Marshall Advocate	Robyn O	Y6
Mathematician	Mayson G	Y6
Mathematician	Tayla C	Y6
Musician	Owen G	Y4
Musician	Aila L-W	Y6
Resilience (G)	Maisy O'D	Y2
Resilience (B)	Jack B	Y6
Year 3 Superstar Award	Amy M	Y3
Sports Award	Lawson M	Y6
Sports Award	Marcie G-M	Y6
Star Writer	Leonard H	Y4
Star Writer	Amelia M	Y6
Tanner Arts	Joseph R	Y6
Tanner Arts	Lara F	Y5
WWT Outdoor Learning	Jan W	Y5



Neil Griffiths Visit



On Thursday 4th July 2019, the amazing author Neil Griffiths, (Griffiths Class is named after him) came into Ivy Lane to do a workshop with KS2 (and KS1 later in the day). He performed three of his stories with us including: Messy Martin, Shaun the Shy Shark and The Journey; which is being shown around China! The stories were really good and extremely funny. He included members of Staff and pupils with his stories and games. He played a game with us where we had to throw a ball into a teacher's Pelican bib.

During the morning, he also handed out 27 awards to pupils of our school which he does every year brilliantly. He made us all laugh a lot, especially when he told us about the bean story. Unfortunately, we can't tell you about that because we have been sworn to secrecy. Overall, we had a great workshop with Neil, and hopefully he will be back next year to tell us more of his funny stories and present us with next year's awards!

By John Lawther and Daniel Phelps (Pullman Class)

Year 3 Music Event

On 2nd July, Year 3 went to the Olympiad to watch some people play musical instruments. There were violins, flute, piano, electric guitar, double bass, trombone and drums. There were five other schools and we all had a great time, joining in with singing and actions. Some of the teachers had to dance at the front! That was funny! We enjoyed listening to them play 'Pirates of the Caribbean' and 'Happy'.

By Layla and Finn (Walliams Class)

Sports Day Fun



On Wednesday 3rd July 2019, Ivy Lane School had a super fun (but hot) time on the field all day doing sports! The winning house - Biddestone - won with the most points out of all the other houses. KS2 were in the morning and KS1 were in the afternoon. Most of the parents of their children took some time off work to see their child/children race. During the hot summer's day, the parents, the staff and the year 6 children did a relay race against each other in groups. This was really fun to watch!

By Sophie B & Lara F
(Pullman Class)

YR Trip to John Coles Park



On Monday the sun shone on us when Carle and Rosen class had a very special trip to John Coles Park. The children had an enjoyable time playing in the splash pad - they say that they enjoyed it more than Mrs Spyer did, but we are really not sure who had the most fun!! We played in the park, had a game of football rounders, played some parachute games, had fun with our Huff and Puff equipment and enjoyed a picnic lunch with our friends. The children showed impeccable Ivy Lane

behaviour and a fantastic attitude, showing us how much they have made friends across the cohort. We are so proud of our special children. A big 'thank-you' also to the mums and dads who helped us out on our trip and joined in with all of the activities with such enthusiasm.

Dressing Up Clothes for Reception Class

Whilst you are having your summer clear out at home the children in reception would be very grateful for any dressing up clothes your child may no longer use or have grown out of. Please bring them along to our reception classrooms. Thank-you for your support.

Menu Change

On Friday 12th July the menu choice will be hot dog or veggie hot dog and on Friday 19th July the lunch choice will be sausage roll or veggie roll.

Photograph Permissions

Can we please remind parents that if you have received a Photographic Permissions form home recently and have not returned it, please ensure that this is completed and returned to the school office as soon as possible. If you are unsure whether you have completed a form, please either pop into the school office or give the ladies in the office a call.

Birthday Book Donations

Thank you to the following who have recently donated books to their classes reading corners; Sammy H, Conn D, Eden S and Miss Orchard.

Star Awards

The following children have impressed the staff recently:

Lily S (Carle) Olivia B (Rosen) Cody (Donaldson) Alfie H (Hargreaves) Connor R (Dahl)	Charlotte S (Milligan) Freddy P (Walliams) (Griffiths) Sophie C (Hughes) Scarlett B (Morpurgo)	Rebecca H (Byars) Sienna S (Pullman) (Rowling) (Lewis)
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Celebrating Achievement

Well done to Mitchell B, Niamh O, Viraaj K and Conn D for swimming certificates, Mitchell B for being awarded a judo medal and Sophie S for receiving a Chippenham Netball Club Coach's Player trophy.

Key Dates for Summer 2018

Summer Fayre	Saturday 6 th July 12 noon - 3pm	ALL	School and Field
Y6 Production	Tuesday 9 th July 6pm	Y6 & families	Station Hill Baptist Church
Open Afternoon	Thursday 11 th July 3.15pm – 5pm	ALL	Classrooms
Move Up Day	Wednesday 17 th July and Thursday 18 th July	ALL	Classrooms & Secondary Schools
End of Term Discos	Thursday 18 th July	ALL	Station Hill Baptist Church
Y6 Leavers Assembly	Wednesday 24 th July 2pm	Y6 & Y6 families	Old Hall
End of School Year	Thursday 25 th July FINISH AT 2PM	ALL	

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Helen Lammin
Head of School