



IVY LANE SCHOOL
School Newsletter #3
Wednesday 20th October 2021



Dear Ivy Lane families,

We have made it to the end of Term 1! It has been lovely to see all our children settle into their new classes and get stuck into their learning. I have enjoyed spending time with children every week at the Headteacher's breakfast – I haven't managed to move onto bacon baps or pastries quite yet!

Our staff team at Ivy Lane have once again shown what a great bunch they are, working hard to support all our children across the school.

We welcomed Miss Whittell, our new Admin Assistant last week and she is settling in really well. We have also recruited some additional Teaching Assistants this week to join our team, so I look forward to sharing more information with our families at the beginning of next term.

Thank you for the children taking part in Hello Yellow Day and non-uniform fundraising for the local Springboard charity. The donations we had for the Doorway (Salvation Army) charity, will go along way to support our local community. We were able to share the collection with our children during our Harvest assemblies this week.

Thank you to all our parents and carers for their support this term. I appreciate that things have become more challenging for us all in the last few weeks and I am sorry that the Halloween Disco has had to be postponed. As we move into Term 2, we hope things will settle again and we look towards the winter events. Please ensure you all manage to have some quality time as a family and enjoy the rest.

We look forward to welcoming all our children back on **Tuesday 2nd November** after our second training day of the year on the 1st.

Have a great half-term holiday and enjoy the Halloween festivities.

Best Wishes

Mrs H Lammin
Head of School



AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS

If you requested an afterschool club for your child, you should by now have received a text message informing you which club(s) have been allocated. A lot of the clubs were very over-subscribed this time, so if your child has been allocated a club which they subsequently decide that they do not want to attend please let the school office know as soon as possible.

Please ensure that you check Teachers2Parents if you have this App downloaded as this is where text messages will appear.

The Sports Coach led clubs (Tag Rugby, Multi Sports and Basketball) will start the first week back after half term – week commencing 2nd November. All other clubs will start during week commencing 8th November. Just as a reminder, please see the club information below.

School Clubs Term 2	
<u>TEACHER LED CLUBS</u>	
MONDAY 3.00 - 4.00pm	THURSDAY 3.00pm - 4.00pm
Football (Field – change in Lewis Class) Mr MacMahon Football training and games for boys and girls. Football boots and shin pads are required Y4, Y5 & Y6 20 places	Maypole Dancing (Playground) Miss Murray & Mrs Tiller Come along and have fun learning how to Maypole dance. Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 16 places
STEM (Rowling Class) Mrs Storey Come and explore the world of science and try some fun experiments. Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 15 places	Comic Club (Walliams Class) Mrs Horan Enjoy reading comic strips involving all your favourite fictional characters. Y3 & Y4 20 places
Board Games (Morpurgo Class) Mr Faulkner Come and have some fun playing board games old and new. Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 20 places	Yoga and Mindfulness (Old Hall) Miss Walker A session of yoga and a chance to chill out and relax after a busy day learning. Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 15 places
Arts and Crafts (Hargreaves Class) Miss Burrows A relaxing club drawing, colouring and producing works of art! Y1 & Y2 16 places	Cosmic Kids Yoga Club (YR Class) Mrs Gunner A session of yoga games, songs and stories where children will begin to learn all about yoga. Y1 & Y2 14 places
Lego Club (Donaldson Class) Mrs Addinell A construction club for younger children where creations will only be limited by their imagination. Y1 & Y2 20 places	Film Club (Griffiths Class) Mrs Boorman A chance for you to watch a movie! Y1 & Y2 20 places
* Dance Club (Old Hall) Dance Instructor Your child will learn a choreographed dance, which will be performed at a Dance Festival next February. Must fully commit to taking part in club until early next year. Y4, Y5 & Y6 20 places	*If your child is selected to take part in the Dance club, you will receive a letter with further details regarding the Dance Festival being held in February.
TUESDAY 3.00 – 4.00pm	
Book Club (Library) Mrs Metcalfe A chance to read, discuss and review books to further your enjoyment of reading. Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 20 places	
<u>SPORTS COACH LED CLUBS</u>	
TUESDAY 3.00 – 4.00pm	FRIDAY 3-00PM – 4PM
Tag Rugby (Rowling) Mr Hemmings Tag Rugby training and games for boys and girls. The school team will be selected from these players. Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 24 places	Basketball (Playground – change in Rowling) Mr Hemmings A chance to learn the basic skills and play this exciting game. Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 24 places
WEDNESDAY 3.00 – 4.00pm	
Multi-Sports Miss Blackman Fun games based multi-sport activities club. Y1 & Y2 24 places	

TD DAY

Just a gentle reminder that **Monday 1st November** is a Teacher Training Day so the school will be closed to all pupils.

SECONDARY AND PRIMARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS 2022

Will your child be transferring to a secondary school in September 2022? **You MUST apply for a secondary school place by 12 midnight on 31st October 2021.** Apply online at www.wiltshire.gov.uk or complete an application form available at all Wiltshire Council offices.

Will your child be four years old before September 2022? **You MUST apply for a primary school place by 12 midnight on 15th January 2022.** Apply online at www.wiltshire.gov.uk or complete an application form available at all Wiltshire Council offices.

Contact Wiltshire Council Customer Services on 01225 713010 if you have any queries.

PARENTS EVENINGS

Our next Parents' Evening will be taking place on Tuesday 23rd November and Thursday 25th November.

Meetings with the teachers will once again take place using SchoolCloud via zoom calls.

Further information will be sent out to parents/carers after half term.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

This week we have been celebrating Harvest Festival by having Key Stage assemblies where children have been learning and discussing the meaning behind the Festival.

We also asked for donations to be made in order to support the charity Doorway (Salvation Army). Yet again, we have been impressed with the number of items brought in by our children. Thank you so much for all your generous donations – Doorway and the Salvation Army were extremely grateful.



STAR OF THE WEEK

Well done to these children who have impressed their class teachers over the last two weeks.

Well done to you all

Summer R, Maggie H, Daisy N, (Donaldson)
Penelope C, (Hargreaves)
Martha D, Max B, Eva K, (Dahl)
Carnie M, Lewis C, (Milligan)
Lola K, Dylan R (Griffiths)
Beatrice B, Tily S, Emmeline H, (Walliams)
Alfie H (Hughes)
Noah M (Morpurgo)
Max O, Lottie-Rose S (Byars)
Megan L, Charlotte R, (Pullman)
Kaitlyn T, (Lewis)



MUFTI DAY



Springboard

A big thank you to everyone who donated towards the mufti day in aid of Springboard. We raised a fabulous amount of £357 and have received a lovely thank you letter from the team at Springboard.

The money raised will be a huge help towards funding children who attend Springboard for support.

BIRTHDAY BOOKS

Thank you to those who have donated books to their classes reading corners in celebration of their birthdays: Jasper C (Donaldson), Savannah H (Walliams), Lara D (Morpurgo), Casper T (Dahl), Arthur W (Pullman), Jennifer D (Hargreaves) and Mrs Pratt (Rowling)

Messages from our amazing class teachers this week

DONALDSON Hargreaves

Dear Donaldson & Hargreaves Class,

Year 1 children have all been superstars over the past couple of weeks.

We have been busy exploring and learning about autumn and have enjoyed outdoor learning on the field. We used our senses to explore nature, listening to stories in the treehouse, searching in our Autumnal scavenger hunt and producing fantastic rubbings from autumn leaves. We have learnt a poem all about autumn with actions and have performed this together in class.

In writing, we have been learning about plurals and prefix/suffix and in Maths. We have been learning all about number bonds to 10.

Have a wonderful break, you have all worked so hard this term.

A super start to Year 1.

Mrs Addinell, Miss Burrows, Mrs Woolcott and Mrs Satchell

Milligan

First of all, we wanted to say how proud we are of all of you for adjusting to Year 2 successfully. You have made huge progress in your writing, where you have been able to use story openers, conjunctions and adjectives. These skills have made your stories more interesting to the reader. In Maths we have been deepening our understanding of place value and using different resources to show our understanding.

During our Enquiry, we had a STEM ambassador, visit our class, who shared different materials he used for building and explained their properties. This will help us with decided which materials we would use for our 'classroom'

We hope that you enjoy your well-deserved half term.

Miss Murray and Mrs Tiller

DAHL

You have completed your first term in Year 2 and what a fantastic term it has been! We have enjoyed learning about different materials in our enquiry and had lots of fun exploring properties of materials by squashing, squeezing, bending and stretching.

Your Talk for Writing pirate stories have been delightful to read and it is fantastic to see you using the skills we have been practising in your independent writing.

We hope you have a wonderful, restful half term break and come back ready and raring to learn in the new term.

Mrs Arithoppah, Mrs Reynolds and Mrs Porter

Walliams

As our first term together comes to an end, we would like to say a huge well done to Walliams Class for their enthusiasm and super learning attitude.

We have loved getting to know you. Some of the highlights of the last few weeks include: your superb 'Defeat the Monster' stories, including some very clever plans for outsmarting the baddie; the way you have demonstrated your learning about magnetism through making some really fun games; your beautiful artistic skills when creating fabulous art for Diwali, including Rangoli and Mendhi patterns.

We are really proud of all the learning you have achieved at home and at school this term. You are all top bananas!

Mrs Bull, Mrs Horan, Miss Stevens and Miss Waller

Griffiths

Griffiths class - what a lovely first term!

You have all worked really hard and it has been so great to see how much effort you've all put into your learning.

We were so impressed with the amazing magnetic games you made for the enquiry challenge.

We hope you all have a wonderful half term and we look forward to hearing all about it when we come back to school.

Mrs Boorman and Mrs Monaghan

Hughes

Hello Hughes class, parents and carers,

I cannot believe we have completed our first term! This term we have written our own finding stories based on the story of sandy cove. We went on a real journey from learning the story through actions and drama to short burst writing practicing skills learnt in class. The children put in so much effort when writing their final story and really thought about how to write an entertaining and thrilling finding story.

We are moving onto writing fairy tale stories next term which I know the children will love!

In reading, we have finished reading the Iron Man. The children have created menus that they believe will entice the Iron man. The menu included 'scrumptious scrap yard soup' and 'a metal meatloaf with a delectable selection of rust'. We have even watched the film 'The Iron Giant' which the children loved.

In our 'What is the difference between sound and noise?' enquiry the children have created their own musical instruments for their final project. It safe to say that a class of children using glue guns, cardboard, paint, scissors and cello tape was always going to be interesting, but the children acted maturely and sensibly as a team. They made me very proud!

Thank you for being so wonderful Hughes class, I will miss you over half term!

Miss Walker

morpurgo

Wow! Well done Morpurgo Class, what a fantastic start to Year 4!

We have learnt so much this term from refreshing our formal written methods skills in maths to investigating sound and embracing a new way of thinking about writing.

We have also found out about how the history of black people, not only in the UK but the whole world, has shaped the society in which we live today. I have been particularly impressed with your ideas, enthusiasm, and empathy in relation to this topic. Time for a very well-deserved break now.

Have a great half term and see you ready and raring to learn on the other side.

Take care, Mr F :)

PULLMAN

Well what a fantastic first term Pullman Class have had! We are so proud of each and every one of you. This term has been packed full of wonderful learning. Our enquiry has allowed us to learn all about our earth, how it moves, where we fit in the Solar System and how much fun astronauts have going into space!

There has been great enthusiasm for our Talk for Writing approach, with some thoughtful, imaginative and descriptive pieces of writing being produced, well done all of you.

We are delighted that we can now begin rehearsing for the very exciting trip to Birmingham to take part in Young Voices. Letters have been sent home today with the children about this event. This is an experience that the children will never forget!

We wish you all a well-deserved break and hope that you get the chance to spend time outside enjoying the beautiful autumn colours nature provides. Take time to rest, play and enjoy being with those you love, but most of all have fun! We look forward to hearing all about it upon your return.

Mrs Metcalfe, Mrs Schonfeld and Ms Anker

ROWLING

As we break up for half term, it is a great time to look back over the past term and reflect on the start Year 6.

Overall, Rowling Class have all really impressed me with their mature attitudes and the independence they have shown in their learning and more generally around the school.

We are off to a great start Rowling - let's keep it up as we come back in term 2; ready to throw ourselves into more Year 6 maths, reading and writing, as well as a fantastic new enquiry 'How do we *all live together?*' (in which we shall be learning about the Ancients Greeks, democracy, and much more).

Have a restful half term break and I will see you all next term!
Mrs Storey

BYARS

And just like that, term 1 is over!

I wanted to take this opportunity to congratulate you all on your brilliant efforts this term. Not only is our effort in class much better but the behaviour in and around school is significantly improved so well done.

We have made a start on our new writing based on the creepy video 'Alma' as well as learning how to read and interpret information from line graphs.

We are coming towards the end of our first enquiry now and looking forward to starting our documentaries when we come back from half term and we really enjoyed our art day yesterday based on blending (check out the resources I have uploaded to seesaw).

Enjoy your break and I hope you get some much deserved rest.

Mr Johns

Lewis

Lewis class have enjoyed a really successful first term. The class have responded well to the Year 6 environment, and have really shown a commitment to their learning – well done to you all!

We have recently completed our narrative writing for the term, which has produced some interesting and well-written stories, as well as working hard on our final Enquiry investigations. All children successfully presented their learning to the rest of the class – with projects including Art, Writing, History, Science and P.E.

The children have certainly earned a well-earned rest, before we continue after the holiday. Finally, thanks to all of our parents for their support this term and please do continue to let us know if you need clarification or support in any way.

Mr MacMahon & Miss Heap

Has your child tested positive for COVID-19?



If **YES** you need to inform the school as soon as possible

The school will need the following information to carry out a risk assessment of who may be a close contact:

- Date of onset of COVID-19 symptoms**
(including what symptoms they had)
- Date of the test**
- Date of the result**
(and evidence of the result/ID number)
- Date your child was last in school**
- How do they get to school?**
E.g. walk, cycle, car, public transport, school transport, taxi
- If by car** – do you car share with anyone else?
- If walking** – do they walk in with anyone else?
- If public transport/school transport**
– do they know who they sat near?

Please provide any additional information you may have as to pupils or staff your child may have been in contact with during this period.

Please note: The infectious period is 48 hours prior to the onset of symptoms (or date of the test if tested when asymptomatic).

COVID-19 Parent Information

The latest information for parents from the Government with regards the full opening of schools, can be found online here:

www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak

The Department for Education has a helpline to answer questions about COVID-19 related to education. Staff, parent and young people can contact the helpline as follows:

Phone: 0800 046 8687

Email: DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk

Opening hours: 8am to 6pm (Monday to Friday)

Lateral Flow Testing households with primary school, secondary school and college age children. See web links below for further information.

<https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>

<https://maps.test-and-trace.nhs.uk/>

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Wiltshire's Wellbeing Hub providing support to those who need it

The Wiltshire Wellbeing Hub is available to anyone who is struggling during this difficult time – and will now be available on Saturdays. The hub can help and provide support to those who perhaps don't have a network around them, and also signpost them to where additional help is available in their local area. Hundreds of community groups, run by volunteers, are still set up across the county, providing invaluable assistance to those who need it.

[Click here to find out more about Wiltshire's Wellbeing Hub](#)

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