

Iver Village Junior School

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Weekly Bulletin

23rd April 2021

Brainiacs of the Week:

| Browne | Bruno and Morgan |
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| Blake | Annalise and Ibrahim |
| Donaldson | Ellis and Alicia |
| Dahl | Sejr and Emily |
| Morpurgo | Nazeeha And Boland |
| Kipling | MacKenzie and Lennon |
| Rowling | Annabelle and Zaynah |
| Rosen | Jake and Bani |

This Week In School...

Year 3 – have returned happy and refreshed after a lovely break. In English, this week they have begun reading *The Pebble in my Pocket* and the children are starting to write a descriptive poem about the journey of a pebble through time. In Maths, they have explored different representations of tenths and decimals.

Year 4 – have begun reading their new class text, *The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane*. They have begun planning their own retelling of the first few chapters. In Maths, they have been adding and subtracting decimals and have started their topic on money. In Science, they have begun their new topic of Living Things and Their Habitats by learning what a habitat is and then going exploring in the playground to try and find some woodlice and their habitats. In PE, Year 4 have been practising their tennis skills and have enjoyed being outside in the sunshine.

Year 5 – have hit the ground running this week. They have covered Area in Maths looking at rectangles and compound shapes. They have also started a new topic this term about Space. Their English book is called *Cosmic* which is also related to Space. They have looked at the features of a leaflet, planned one of their own and started writing. They will continue with this next week. In Science, starting their topic about Space, they have created a poster showing the planets in our solar system.

Year 6 – have started reading their new Power of Reading book, *Wolf Brother*, by Michelle Paver. They are already enjoying the story and have produced some lovely charcoal monochrome images of wolves. Keeping to the wolf theme, in English, the children have been researching wolves in order to start writing a non-chronological report on the subject. In Maths, they have been revising their knowledge of angles and 2d shape while in Science, the children have started learning about light and how we see things.

IMPORTANT BREAKFAST CLUB UPDATE

This term, we are unable to offer Breakfast club in UPPER SCHOOL. Please be aware that we will be unable to take ad hoc bookings for the club for the term.

This is for the UPPER SCHOOL Breakfast Club ONLY, Lower School club remains unaffected.

Sportiacs of the Week:

| Dahl | Zoe |
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<u>Inclusion Across The Iver</u> <u>Village Schools</u>

We are delighted to announce that Mrs Chapman-Allen will be working across both the Iver Village Infant and Junior schools from this week as Inclusion manager for both schools! We hope that this will improve our ability to ensure all the children meet their full potential and make transition between schools, even smoother for our children.

Uniform

This term, we are asking children to return to wearing their school uniform each day with the exception of PE days where will still need to come to school in their PE kits.

Children may continue to wear plain black trainers instead of 'proper' school shoes as trainers are so much more practical.

If you have any questions or concerns, please

contact the school. If you are in need of a school jumper, please call the school office as we have lots of pre-loved uniform.

Childcare Questionnaire

Now that the UK appears to be heading in the right direction in relation to Covid, we are able to start thinking about potentially expanding our wrap around childcare facilities and after school activity clubs. We would like to hear from you as to what would be useful for parents.

Please click on the link below to fill in our short questionnaire to help us assess needs.

https://forms.gle/udWrM4CS5AqcAqH37

School Pledge: 'I pledge to do all that I can, so that we can all learn and be happy at school.'

Our office email is office@ivjs.school



Meeting,

follow)

Monday

Y6 PGL

Event Y6 PGL Zoom

5.30pm (link to

Bank Holiday

Class Photo Day

Last Day of Half

Children Return

Term (Normal

finish times)

Date

29th

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May 17th

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28th

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Don't forget we are a <u>NUT FREE</u> school as we have children who have allergies! (let's leave them for the squirrels)

National Day of Reflection Painting

Before the holiday, each year group was assigned a positive word that summarised our experiences over the last year: Community (Year 3), Hope (Year 4), Resilience (Year 5) and Togetherness (Year 6). Together with the help of Miss Rowe, each child got to throw or spray some paint onto a canvas. Here are the works of art you have been waiting for!



Big Pedal Initiative!

We're taking part in Sustrans Big Pedal 2021, the UK's largest inter-school cycling, walking, wheeling and scooting challenge. The challenge runs from 19 April to 30 April. It's free and we would love everyone to be involved.

Please help us encourage the children to take active journeys to school on as many days as possible during the event, and join them on their way!

Why we are taking part - Sustrans Big Pedal is a great way to get children active, which is important for physical health and mental wellbeing. Active school runs also help to reduce congestion and air pollution outside the school gate. Covid-19 has made active travel to school even more important. The Department for Education have said encouraging active travel to school helps "to enable pupils to be physically active while encouraging physical distancing."



P4C - Question of the Week

Do we need rules?

<u>Ivertastics!</u> Well done to; Arjun

<u>Letters/Blogs out this</u> <u>week:</u>

April 21 School Development Plan

Copies of school letters are available

on our website

www.ivervillage-jun.bucks.sch.uk

Reminder: Access to Testing

Anyone can now obtain kits and carry out home tests. Kits can be obtained from any one of the four rapid test sites in Buckinghamshire, or you can go and collect test kits to do yourself at home. For further details, go to:

https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing/regular-rapid-coronavirus-tests-if-you-do-not-have-symptoms/

Thank you so much for playing your part in the fight against COVID-19. For more local information about COVID-19 and to find the locations of the Buckinghamshire rapid test sites, you can go to the Buckinghamshire Council website at:

www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/coronavirus

Don't forget to book Bluebells and Earlybirds online. *UPPER SCHOOL Earlybirds not available this term*

Go to https://goo.gl/forms/JuZsG7042u7JKg1D3 or via our website.

Please remember that our clubs are now to **be booked and paid for in advance**. Bookings must be made by the Friday prior, late bookings are subject to a £2 charge to cover extra staffing.

Earlybirds now starts at 7.30am and cost £7 per session. Children will be offered brioche rolls and fruit but will need to bring their own drinks in to make sure we adhere to keeping children from different school bubbles and food/items used separate.

Bluebells will run until 4.30pm each day and is charged at £3.50 per session. Please do not hesitate to contact the school should you have any queries.