



Ide Primary School

Newsletter



24th July 2019

Thanks to all parents and families for your ongoing support through the year. In our last day of term assembly, we looked through photos of highlights from the year and the children really enjoyed revisiting many happy memories. We had some sad goodbyes to say as well, including our year 6 cohort, who have had an amazing year and definitely left on a high with 'The X Factory' show last week. We also said goodbye to Miss Sanderson, who has worked as a teaching assistant with us for over a year. We wish all our leavers the very best wishes for the future. Yet again, we have been astounded recently by the willingness of parents to give up their time, ideas and energy in support of the school. The second 'gardening Sunday' last week involved a mini digger opening up the area between the playground and the outdoor classroom and Sally Williams is going to be designing and creating our new library space in the old ICT suite over the Summer. We are also having extensive redecoration work to the older part of the building to freshen up these areas. I would like to wish all our families and children a relaxing, safe and enjoyable Summer break.



Apple class really enjoyed their sports day and were very pleased to make it to the finishing line!

Library Summer Reading Challenge

The theme of this year's Summer Reading Challenge is **Space Chase** and is inspired by the 50th anniversary of the moon landings.

Aimed at 4-11 year olds, the Summer Reading Challenge, produced by the Reading Agency and delivered by libraries, is simple and fun. Children are encouraged to read 6 or more library books during the summer holidays and receive rewards along the way.

Children can sign up at their local library from Saturday 13th July, it's absolutely free and lasts until 7 September 2019.



Key Dates

Wednesday 4th September
Children return to school

Monday 9th September
Clubs start

Friday 18th October
Last Day of half term
Individual and family group photographs

Monday 28th October
Return to School after half term

Friday 20th December
Last day of term

A full list of 2019/20 term dates, including non-pupil days, is available on the school website.

Take One Picture

Take a look at our whole school art project, which Mrs Barker has curated into this amazing display! We will be submitting our work to the National Gallery in London in the Autumn. The final piece came entirely from the children's ideas. Please read the information book attached to the display and comment if you can when we come back to school!



Donkey Sanctuary Visit





Sporting Success

At the St Luke's PE awards, Ide won a number of prizes. We are so proud of all the children for their sporting achievements this year and they have shown fantastic sportsmanship during every event they have taken part in.



Buddhist Friendship Ceremony

In assemblies we have been learning about different religious festivals throughout the year. Last week we talked about Dharma Day, when Buddhists believe Buddha began his teaching. Mrs Williams told us about a Buddhist friendship ceremony her family had taken part in with some friends.



Jewish Wedding

As part of their RE learning, Maple class compared Jewish and Christian weddings. The class enjoyed working together to dance the 'Hora Dance' and create a 'Chuppah', a wedding archway.



Chestnut Stars!

Our year 5s and 6s excelled during their production of The X Factory last week, with each and every one of them being equally amazing in their perfectly cast roles. We will be increasing the profile of the arts across the school next year and this will include all of Chestnut class having the opportunity to perform Shakespeare in a professional theatre in November.



Healthy Eating

Willow have really enjoyed their Food Technology lessons this half term. This week, they have designed, made and evaluated their own dips. They were delicious! We are pleased to let you know that we have a nutritionist and author, Sarah Flower, running workshops with all children from Apple to Chestnut next year.



Oak Class Grandparents' afternoon



Community Dance Class



Hi, my name is Anna and I have just started a Dance Fit class (for adults) at Ide Village Hall! The class takes place on Wednesday mornings from 09.30-10.30. I'm a qualified Exercise to Music Fitness Instructor and already teach classes around Exeter City Centre but am really keen to come into the community so that it is more accessible for those who don't want to travel. I believe that exercising should be enjoyable! My ethos is for classes to be fun and sociable with the bonus of improving your fitness. If you love dancing, love music and want to feel fitter in an enjoyable way, this is for you! The classes will cost £5.50 for a block booked session of 6 or £6.50 pay as you go. The first session is FREE!!! If you have any questions at all, please don't hesitate to contact me on annajfitness@gmail.com or you can check out and "like" my facebook page @AnnaJFitness. If you'd like to give it a try, please wear clothing suitable for exercising and trainers, and don't forget to bring water and a towel. I look forward to seeing you there!

Maple Class Peer Massage

