

Newsletter



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Message from Headteacher

The end of the school year always brings mixed emotions- excitement about the holidays and the next school year but also an awareness of the current year ending, which involves some changes and goodbyes. This year the emotions at the end of the year are especially heightened due to everything that we have experienced together. I know you will join me in being incredibly proud of our children for everything they have achieved this year.

It has certainly been a busy end to the term- after avoiding Covid 19 at school for so long, it was a shame for some children to have to isolate near the end of their school year- but thank you so much to all of the parents, who have been incredibly supportive and of course the children, who have taken it all in their stride.

I know that the staff will want me to pass on their thanks for any gifts and kind words given at the end of the year- they are never expected but always gratefully received. In particular I have really enjoyed seeing so many parents passing on words of thanks to our amazing support staff at the school gate. They work so hard for our children and it is lovely to see this recognised by parents.

It has been nice to end the year with sunshine; I hope that the nice weather continues and that all of our families enjoy the summer break.

Thank you again for all your support over the year and everyone at Ide looks forward to seeing you again in September.

The Rocky Monster Show

Year 5 and 6 have enjoyed rehearsing and filming their end of term production!



Year 6 Leavers

Our Year 6 children have shown incredible strength, resilience and adaptability in their last two years in Ide. We are going to miss them very much and have loved all of our learning, from watching them perform Shakespeare at The Phoenix to dissecting pigs' hearts! Good luck in the future Year 6.

Miss Parkin and Sue



Key Dates

Wednesday 8th September
Children return to school

Friday 22nd October
End of first half term

Monday 1st November
Return to school

Friday 17th December
End of Autumn term

Uniform

Please make sure your child has all the correct uniform for September. Please note that we will continue to ask the children to come in wearing PE kit for their PE days but trainers, including black trainers, are not to be worn on other days.

<https://www.ide.devon.sch.uk/school-uniform/>

Through this link you will find information about uniform and FIS's recently updated list of preloved school uniform.

Snacks

Children in reception and KS1 receive a free snack as part of the national fruit and vegetable scheme for schools. All children are allowed to bring their own snack for breaktime but it does need to be a fruit or vegetable snack. This is partly for nutritional reasons and also to make sure that snack time is equitable for all children.

Staff Farewells



We are sad to say goodbye to Mrs Norman, Miss Pratt, Miss Roberts and Miss Roache. Each of these staff members have given so much to the school and made a difference to the children and families they have worked with. They will be missed by everyone. We wish them all well in their next adventures.

Oak Class Mini Musical

Down in the deep, blue sea.... Oak class enjoyed creating and performing a mini musical with Miss Pratt!



Arrangements for September

We are currently planning for children to be able to mix together again next year, rather than staying in class bubbles. Our plan is to return to the school day timings that were in place prior to Covid 19, which were 8.50-3.30.

This being said, if there is anything that the last year has taught us, it is to expect the unexpected! We will be monitoring the advice from the government over the summer holidays and will write to you prior to the new term starting to confirm the arrangements in full.

Wedding Bells!



We are delighted for Miss Downing who will be getting married over the Summer holidays. We wish Miss Downing lots of happiness on her special day. In September, she will be known as Mrs Radford, which will take some getting used to for all of us!

Joining the team..

Joining the team in September and excited to meet the children are:

Mrs Chenore

Mrs Preece

SENDCO

Teaching Assistant



Miss Clotworthy

Miss Ball

Pre-school Leader

Teaching Assistant



Water Safety

<https://rnli.org/pages/ppc/beach-safety/beach-safe-kids>

Today the children have all discussed in classes how to stay safe during the summer holidays, with a particular focus on water safety. We have watched the video that you can access through the above link.

Floating like a starfish will save lives this summer!

