



Istead Rise Primary Celebration Newsletter

Friday 29th September 2023



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Thursday 5th October
Mr Nourish Birthday Card
Deadline

FIRPS AGM 2.15pm

Friday 20th October
Show Racism
The Red Card - wear red

Friday 20th October
End of Term 1

Monday 30th October
Term 2 Begins

Thursday 2nd November
School Photographer

Wednesday 8th November
Flu Immunisations
Whole School

Thursday 9th November
Whole School
Parent Consultations

Dear Istead Rise Families,

We appreciate so many of you giving up your time to attend some of the events we have been running at school over the past few weeks. It was good to see so many of you at this week's 'parent drop-ins' and for the staff to receive such positive comments about the classrooms and the work in their books. Thank you very much also to those who were able to donate cakes for today's Macmillan coffee morning and who could join us for a cup of coffee. Photos and the final amount raised will be shared in the next newsletter.

Please remember to check the 'save the date' section in this newsletter and we hope you enjoy reading about the exciting activities and learning opportunities your children have carried out.

Wishing you a safe and enjoyable weekend.

Mrs M Clark
Deputy Headteacher



Roblox - What
Parents Need to
Know (Video Guide)

Keeping Children
Safe Online - EBook

TikTok - What Parents
Need to Know



FIRPS Loose
Change Challenge
2023



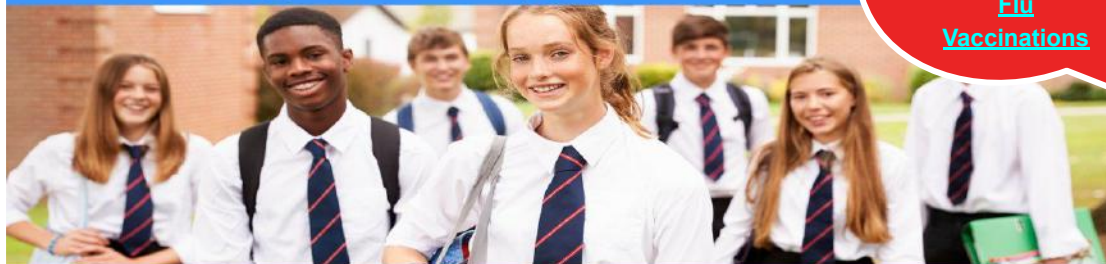
**Protecting your
child against flu**

Flu immunisation in England

Information for parents and carers

The link below will
take you to our recent
Flu Vaccination letter
[Flu
Vaccinations](#)

Secondary school applications



Applications for children starting year 7 in September 2024 are open!
To apply visit, kent.gov.uk/schooladmissions



Nourish
contract catering

Our children are now
being catered for by
Nourish Contract
Catering.
You can find a copy of the
lunch menu via this link
[School Lunch Menu](#)



Flu i mmunisation
Helping to protect children, every winter

Attendance



NHS
COVID-19

If your child has mild symptoms such as a runny nose, sore throat or mild cough, and they feel well enough, they can still come to school, regardless of a positive covid test. Only keep your child at home if they are not well enough to attend school, and notify us in the usual way.

Cause For Concern

90% Or Less

19 Days Or More Of School Missed

Poor

90.1% - 95.9%

9- 18 Days Of School Missed

Good

96% - 97.9%

4 - 8 Days Of School Missed

Excellent

98% Or Above

0 - 3 Days Of School Missed

Working together
to improve
punctuality
and attendance



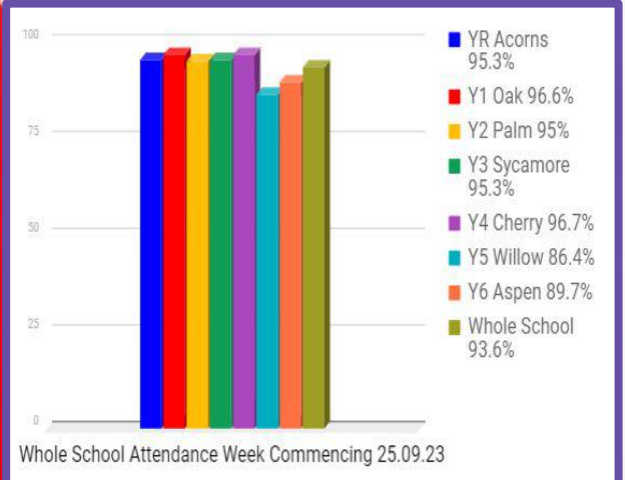
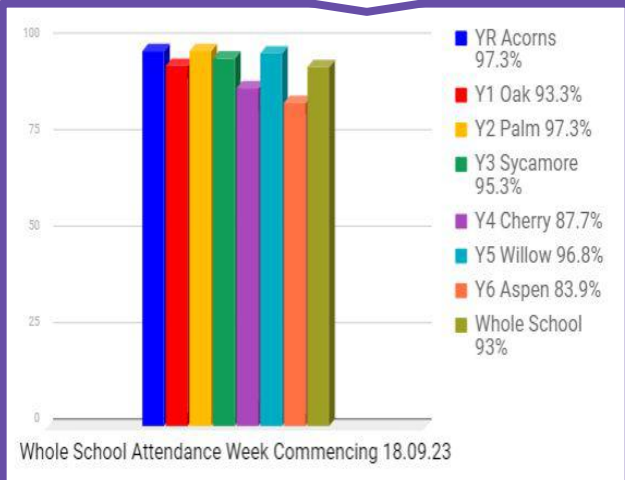
W/C 18.09.23
KS1 - Acorns & Palm KS2 - Willow

Attendance Class Awards

W/C 25.09.23
KS1 - Oak KS2 - Cherry



ATTENDANCE MATTERS
every student, every day



Istead Rise Primary School



Shaping a bright and promising future for your child, where learning is an exciting adventure and success is celebrated at every step.

Do you have a child starting school in September 2024?

Come to one of our open days to find out more about the unique learning opportunities we offer.



Monday 6th November 2023

9.30am to 10.30am

Monday 13th November 2023

1.30pm to 2.30pm



Istead Rise is a GOOD school with three areas of OUTSTANDING



To book a place, please contact the school office on 01474 833177 or email irpoffice@swale.at

Acorns

Mr Payne!

Mr Payne visited the children and brought along a special book 'The Wide Mouthed Frog' to read. The children loved the way Mr Payne changed his voice and we were hooked at every moment.

Show and Tell

It has been wonderful seeing the children come into school to show all the things that they have been doing at home. We have had a snake skin, nature pictures and flour ground at a windmill. What an experience! Showing and talking about what the children have experienced develops their confidence and oracy skills and leaves them feeling a sense of pride in their achievements. Please continue to support them at home as much as you can. It really makes a difference.



All about Me!

The children have continued with the theme 'All about me'. In circle time, they learnt what it means to be unique. The children were able to sit next to a peer and share with them the colour of their hair, eyes and skin.



Story time

We have read the story 'The Cave' in class and the children absolutely loved it. They sat quietly, with wide eyes waiting to find out what animal was in the cave. All they could see was a pair of white eyes! After the story, one child drew the characters adding all the features of a wolf and another drew the cave.



All about Me!

Take a look at the self portraits the children have painted.

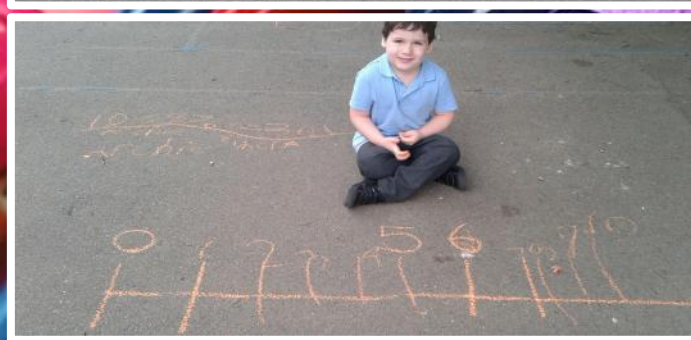




Forest School Acorns

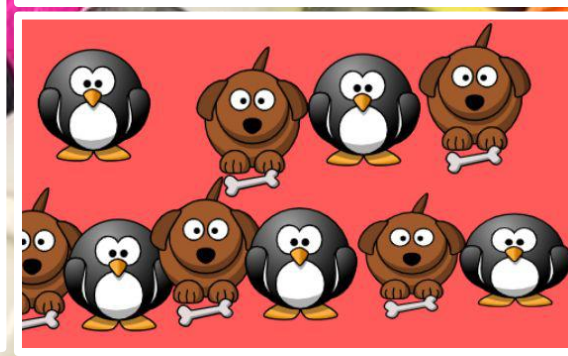
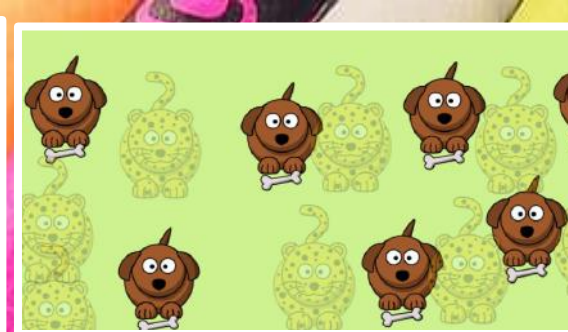
Acorns learnt how to use a hammer safely this week whilst in the Forest. We talked about the 'blood bubble', the safe space we can use tools in - if they swing their arms around in a 'circle' side to side and not touch anyone then it is safe to use a hammer. If they can touch someone then they are in the 'blood bubble' and need to wait. The children that used the hammer this week were very sensible and used the hammer to make a flag - A print from a leaf called Hammer Zome.

Oak



The children have been working really well in maths over the last two weeks. We have used our playground to support our learning.

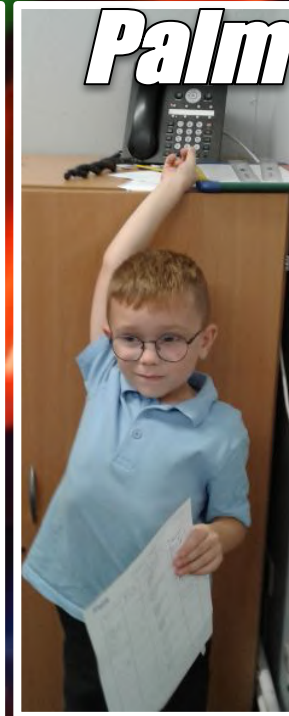
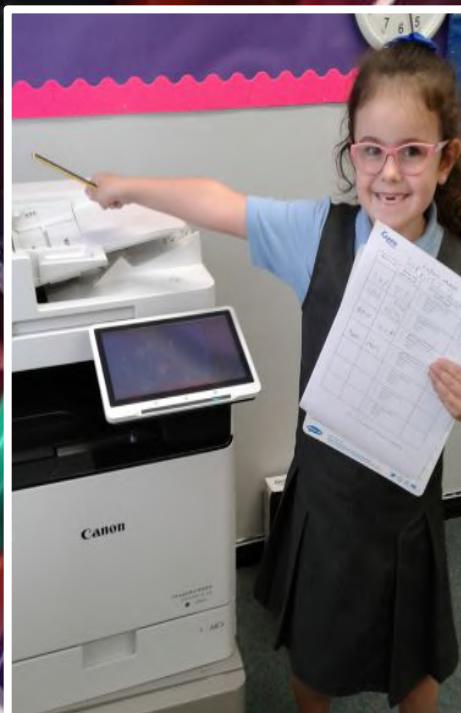
In computing, we have been using Sketchpad to design our own repeating patterns. The children worked well and supported each other in their learning.



Year 2 have continued to work hard and been super busy this term! In computing, we went on a 'Technology Safari' around the school to spot different forms of technology. We noted that lots of these things had a screen, buttons and wires to make them work.

In English, we have been working hard to write a narrative ending using the story 'The Rascally Cake' by Jeanne Willis. We have used a range of different adjectives, similes and fronted adverbials to make our sentences exciting and enjoyable to read.

We have enjoyed our art lessons this term, where we have used different techniques to create texture in our drawings. This week, we learnt all about facial expressions and how to draw them on characters to change the emotion they are presenting.



Palm



Year 3 are continuing to demonstrate their core values and following the school rules. They have had a fantastic couple of weeks engaged in their learning. In maths we have just moved on to learning about addition and subtraction. The children will need to be secure with knowing their number pairs to 10 ($2+8=10$, $7+3=10$) so that will support learning number pairs up to 100 ($63 + 37$). In R.E. we are focussing on the Sikh religion and the children enjoyed making a storyboard about the story the Milk and the Jasmine Flower. In English we have just finished our information text about tigers, they should all feel proud of their efforts. In science this week we focussed on the strength of magnets.



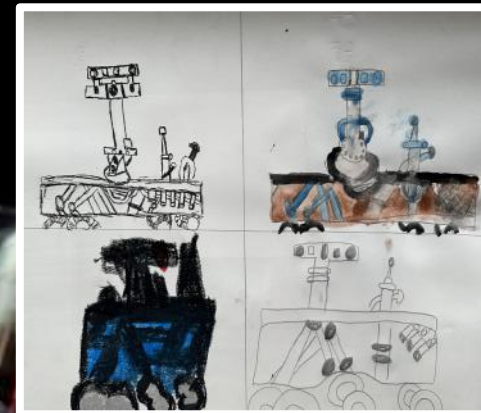
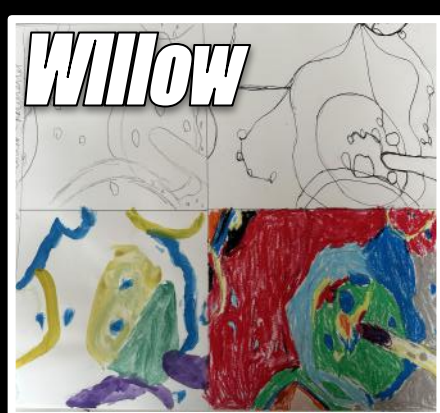
**CONGRATULATIONS
ISTEAD RISE PRIMARY SCHOOL
IS IN THE FINALS OF THE EMILE
EDUCATION MTC CUP!**



You and your students have been **AMAZING!**
The National Finals run from
9am on the 4th until 3pm on the 5th October
(Wednesday & Thursday next week)

This week we have started our new sequence in English, where we are writing a non-chronological report based on the 'real' toothfairies, taking the idea that fairy tales were originally written as warnings for children not to play in the forest. The children have had some great ideas so far! In maths we are coming to the end of our work on place value, and this week have been rounding to the nearest 10, 100 and 1000. We have also been working hard as part of the Emile Education MTC Cup - where we have completed the league stage. All of the children have worked extremely hard in these sessions and their hard work has paid off as we came top of our league and are now through to the National Finals! This will be taking place next Wednesday and Thursday (4th and 5th October). While we will be taking part in this in school, I would also appreciate you encouraging the children to complete additional work on this at home during these 2 days so that we can show how great we really are. In science we have continued our work on forces, looking at the strength of magnets - which gave some surprising results - and placing our results into graphs. In music we have continued our work on learning the ABBA song 'Mamma Mia', and used the school's new glockenspiels for the first time this week to accompany the instrumental section. So congratulations once again for qualifying for the MTC Cup National Finals, and keep up the amazing work!

Willow



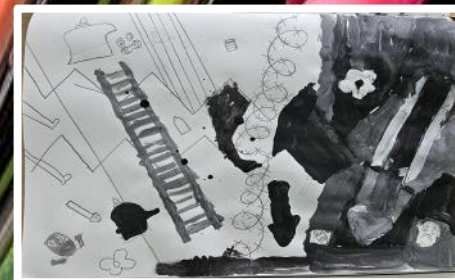
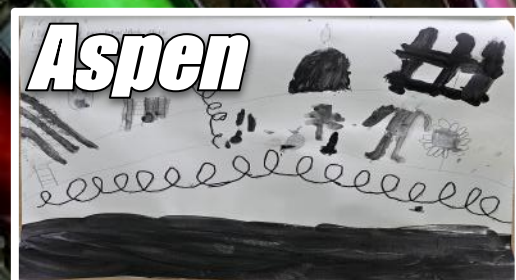
So far this term, the children in Willow class have been working really hard in all of their subjects. They have particularly enjoyed music lessons where they have been singing 'Livin' on a Prayer' by Bon Jovi and learning how to play the recorder to the music. There may also be a video recording of them performing coming your way soon! They have also been enjoying art, and this week they made several images of 'space art' in their sketchbooks using a variety of mediums.

In English, they have just started to learn about newspaper reports and will be writing their own at the end of this learning sequence about a Mars Rover landing on the red planet. We have also started to read a poem called 'Blue Extinction' in guided reading lessons.

In maths, the children have continued to learn about Place Value and have worked hard to round, order, compare and partition numbers up to 1,000,000.



Aspen



Year 6 have been very busy in art over the past couple of weeks. We looked at and discussed Picasso's 'Guernica' painting - focusing on the different techniques used, as well as the symbolic logos. We then drew our own symbolic painting, with images representing WW1. This week, we added paint to our drawings, making sure that we had a variety of black and white shades, detail and representation. This was very enjoyable and the children worked hard to create an impactful piece of art.

In English we have started our new sequence of learning - writing a travel brochure! So far, the children have worked in pairs to research and make notes on their chosen country (a country from South America to link in with our Geography work). They will then collate their information into clear paragraphs, before creating their final piece.

In Spanish we are still working on our 'at school' topic. We can now say which subjects we study, share our opinions on those subjects and say the time in which we study a subject. There have been some great conversations going on in these lessons - well done!





Clausiliidae, also known by the common name door snails, is a taxonomic family of small, very elongate, mostly left-handed, air-breathing land snails, sin...

Wikipedia



Forest School Aspen



Year 6 used their team working skills to build a shelter which was big enough to house all of the members in their team. Some children remembered how to tie our three different knots and lashings - Clove Hitch, Square lashing and a reef knot to secure string around a tree. I was very impressed with the shelters they made - Mrs T Clark. Well done Year 6. The class also worked together to find the tree of the week - Hazel. Oliver was very curious when he found a snail in the shape of a cone so he used google to find out what he had found...





W/E 22.09

Most Valuable Player
1st Ronak of Willow
2nd Nihaal of Cherry
3rd Mia of Aspen

W/E 22.09

Winning Class
1st Willow
2nd Cherry
3rd Sycamore

W/E 29.09

Most Valuable Player
1st Nihaal of Cherry
2nd Martin of Cherry
3rd Samuel Yanis of Cherry

W/E 29.09

Winning Class
1st Cherry
2nd Sycamore
3rd Aspen

***Congratulations
for all your
hard work!***



Core Values Congratulations To All Our Winners



Week Ending 22.09

Acorns Class

Teddy for Respect & Jorge for Perseverance

Oak Class

Louie for Perseverance, Sophia for Independence & Olivia for Self Reflection

Palm Class

Bobby for Independence & Raelie for Perseverance

Sycamore Class

Margaret for Respect, Constance & Alf for Perseverance

Cherry Class

Esme for Independence, Otis & Nihaal for Respect

Willow Class

Thomas for Respect, Millie C for Perseverance & David for Independence

Aspen Class

Parsen for Independence, Charlie W for Respect & Jim for Perseverance

Week Ending 29.09

Acorns Class

Willow E & Nellie for Perseverance, Belle for Independence

Oak Class

Elena for Respect, Jaxon for Independence & Benjamin for Perseverance

Palm Class

Amber for Perseverance, Rajah for Self Reflection & Theo B for Respect

Sycamore Class

Harry for Independence, Charlie for Respect & Nyla for Perseverance

Cherry Class

Samuel Yanis for Independence, Elvie Rose for Perseverance & Cooper M for Respect

Willow Class

Lucas for Independence, Anais for Perseverance & Scarlett for Respect

Aspen Class

Jessica S for Independence, Ollie for Respect & Rohan for Perseverance

GROW WITH US
NOURISH

Mr Nourish's Birthday

Thursday 5th October 2023

Burger in a Bun 1.5

Vegetable Nuggets 1 VG

Jacket Potato with a
Choice of Toppings 7,8,9

Sweetcorn

Salad Bar

Herby Diced Potato

Birthday Cake 1,9

Jelly Pots

Fruit Pots

Competition

**DESIGN A
BIRTHDAY CARD
FOR MR NOURISH**

**HAND IN TO THE
CATERING TEAM**

**PRIZES TO BE
AWARDED ON
HIS BIRTHDAY**



Dishes marked with any of the following numbers contain the matching allergen: Allergen code: (1) Wheat/Gluten (2) Crustaceans (3) Soybeans (4) Mustard (5) Sesame (6) Sulphites/Sulphur Dioxide (7) Milk (8) Fish (9) Egg (10) Peanuts (11) Molluscs (12) Celeries/Celery (13) Nuts (14) Lupins (15) Oat Gluten (16) Barley Gluten (17) Chickpeas

GROW WITH US
NOURISH

KINDNESS DAY MENU

MONDAY 13TH NOVEMBER 2023

PEACE GIVING PASTA BAR

CHARMING CHEESY TWISTS 1,7 V

MARVELOUS MEDITERRANEAN PENNE 1 VG

PLEASANT PESTO PASTA 1,7 V

PATIENT JACKET POTATO WITH AN
OFFERING OF TOPPINGS 7,8,9

GENTLE PEAS
RESPECTFUL CARROT STICKS

HUMBLE ICE CREAM 7
KIND MR NOURISH BISCUIT 1
FRUIT POTS

WORLD KINDNESS DAY
IS MONDAY
13TH NOVEMBER 2023

'YOU CAN ALWAYS
GIVE SOMETHING,
EVEN IF IT'S ONLY
KINDNESS!'
ANNE FRANK



Key:
VG Vegetarian
V Vegetarian

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