



Istead Rise Primary Celebration Newsletter

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Dear Istead Rise Families,

The term is flying by so quickly, it seems difficult to believe that there is only one week left until the next holiday! All classes have fully settled into their year groups and are enjoying many great achievements in their learning - it has been a real pleasure to be in classrooms over the last few days, and listen to so many children talk about their learning, show-off their fantastic work and share the new discoveries they are making everyday. I hope you will enjoy reading about what your children have been getting up to.

Thank you to all of the parents who have already downloaded the Marvellous Me app. This is a wonderful tool for sharing your child's achievements with you in real time and a great motivation for many pupils. If you have not yet downloaded the app, you will be missing out on updates from your child's teacher. If you need any help with this please contact our school office team who will be happy to help you.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend,

Steve Payne



Tuesday 18th October
Parent Drop In Session
CHERRY CLASS ONLY
3.15pm-3.45pm

Wednesday 19th
October
Rainbow Harvest

Thursday 20th October
School Photographer
Individual Portraits

Friday 21st October
Show Racism the Red
Card - wear red

End of Term 1

Monday 31st October
Term 2 Begins

Friday 16th December
End of Term 2

Tuesday 3rd January
Inset Day School Closed

Wednesday 4th January
Term 3 Begins



Please use the attached link to take you to a copy of our recent letter regarding flu vaccinations in school. The school nurses are coming in on the 18th November to administer the flu vaccine to all children whose parents have consented.

[Flu Invite Letter](#)



School Matters!



Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow

Working together to Improve Punctuality and Attendance.
We will shortly be launching some new exciting attendance incentives for the children. Look out for our letter next week with further details.

We would like to say a massive THANK YOU to each and everyone of you who bought, made or ate cakes during our Coffee Morning. Along with another event that Miss Kite did on the following day, we all raised £721.25 for Macmillan Cancer Support! This amount was made possible by an extra amount donated through gift aid, so thank you again to everyone who put their names down.





Thank you to all those special people who came along to join the children in Acorns class to support this event. Miss Underdown, Mrs Ridley and Mrs German were touched to see so many of you attend and support MacMillan.



Acorns

New equipment in our environment

We have a new loft in our outside area. Thank you Mr Loe for kindly putting it together. We have had so much fun on it.



Mathletics

Mathletics

Mathletics is an engaging online maths program that makes learning exciting and fun for the children. We have begun to utilise this app in our learning environment. The children got very excited when it was their turn to log on.



Food and Nutrition - PSED

In PSED, the children have continued to gain further knowledge about healthy food decisions and the importance of a balanced diet. They carried out two activities: one in creating a packed lunch containing healthy foods and another activity being creative and making a fruit salad.

Understanding The World

We have been learning about where different types of fruit and vegetables can be found around the world. Seeing a globe and a world map was quite new to our children but they did very well in learning about some of the countries and placing the correct fruit on them.



Expressive Arts

The children have been using a range of natural materials to create a self-portrait. They explored their facial features by looking into a mirror.



Reading Through Phonics

We have been learning to identify and write the first 10 set 1 phonemes m, a, s, d, t, i, n, p, g and o. We looked at matching objects to their initial sounds.



Acorns

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

The children have continued their learning about what it means to be 'unique'. A variety of toys were shared and discussions took place giving the children the opportunity to talk about which was their favourite one and why. The children understood that whilst we are all the same, in other ways we are different.

Maths

We have been learning to identify similarities and differences and to group shapes. The children noticed they could group shapes by colour or by the name of the shape.

Reading for pleasure!



Yom Kippur

Yom Kippur is the holiest day in Judaism. It is the most sacred and solemn day in the Jewish calendar. Acorn class have been learning about what happens on Yom Kippur, including fasting for 25 hours and spending time in a Synagogue. The children also made a Shofah which is blown at the end of Yom Kippur.

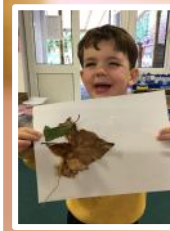
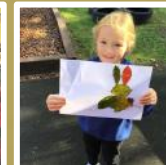


Learning about different sizes of objects and ordering has been exciting for Acorn class. The children began their maths by understanding that objects can be of all different heights. They proved this by choosing some friends and ordering them in height order. After the children had ordered their friends, they looked at using mathematical language to order other objects (small, smaller and smallest and tall, taller and tallest).



Learning about the seasons

We have continued our learning about the season Autumn. The children have been curious to learn how the short amount of sunlight means leaves turn red, orange and yellow colours. The children also learnt that hedgehogs and bats go into hibernation in Autumn. Using this knowledge the children used leaves creatively to make an Autumn animal.



Oak

Year 1 have had another busy couple of weeks. They have enjoyed the company of Monty the Therapy Dog who visited the classroom on Tuesday. The children really enjoyed thinking of and asking Tina (his handler) some questions about Monty's job role.

In Art, we have been looking at lines and different ways of showing them. We used string to design our own artwork and this week, we have been working with waves and colours.



Palm

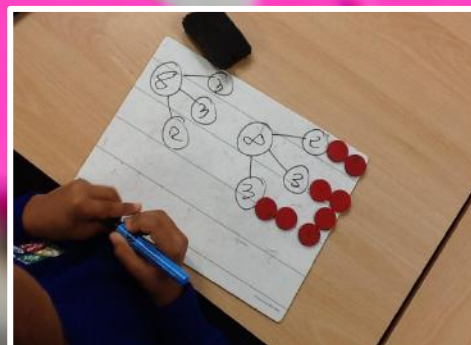
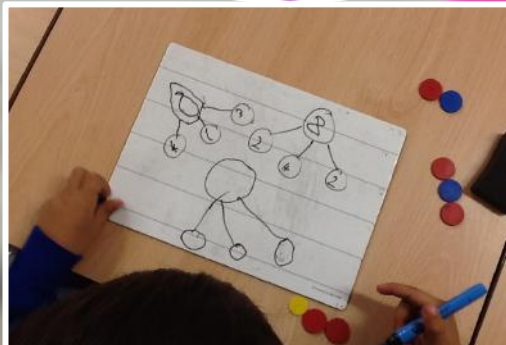
Year 2 have had another fantastic few weeks! They have worked hard to finish their stories about the rascally cake this week. They are all full of descriptive language and imaginative ideas! I have been very impressed with them!

In Maths, we have started our learning on addition and subtraction. We have moved from using resources to help us, to now using the written column method. It has been tricky to ensure our digits are lined up correctly all of the time but we have persevered and made good progress.

We have continued to have a lot of fun with our Science learning about Materials this term! We researched the inventor Charles Mackintosh who invented waterproof materials. We then tested his ideas by throwing water at Mrs Porter's raincoat and umbrella! We were able to prove that the water runs off from the material and discuss why we shouldn't make umbrellas from other materials instead.



During Maths, we have been looking at the part whole model and having a try at doing this ourselves.
2 is a part, 4 is a part, 2 is a part, 8 is the whole.



We have also been very busy writing an alternative story to 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt'. The children have enjoyed changing and using adjectives to describe their settings for their stories.

Cherry

This past two weeks the children have finished writing their report about a fictional sea creature and have just started a new English sequence. They are learning techniques to write a powerful description of a storm at sea. In maths we have been practising addition and subtraction of 4 digit numbers using the column method. In music the children have been singing the song Mamma Mia and playing instruments (recorder and glockenspiel) to accompany the song. In Geography the children have been explaining why we have day and night time and how time zones work. This term in Spanish we have been learning to ask and answer questions about ourselves. We can introduce ourselves, say how we are feeling, give our age and talk about where we live. Our science work about rocks continues this week and the final lesson has been investigating what soil is made from.

Sycamore

Sycamore has been busy working hard on their writing this week. We are learning how to write a set of instructions using temporal conjunctions, imperative verbs and adverbs. They have learnt about the Greek myth Perseus and Medusa and are writing their instructions based on this story.

During an art lesson this week, the children learnt how to shade in objects when drawing and created their own 'tonal scales' to help with this. Their work was excellent! They also spent time learning about topographical features of maps in their geography lesson and as always, enjoyed the start of lesson quiz.

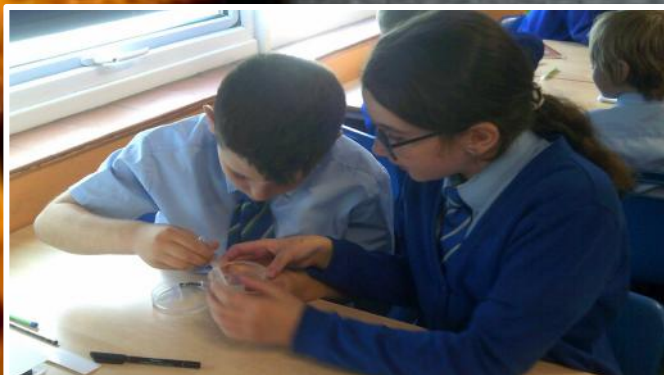
Every child in Sycamore has worked extremely hard this term and I am very pleased with what they have managed to achieve.



Willow

Over the past 2 weeks we have been working on biographies in guided reading, looking at the lives of William Shakespeare and Ella Fitzgerald (linking our reading to Black History Month). In writing we completed our 2nd sequence of a non-chronological text and are now in the finishing stages of our final sequence, a narrative based on Hansel and Gretel, with an emphasis on the use of sophisticated vocabulary and description to build setting, character and atmosphere.

In Maths we have been working on multiplication and division, focusing on multiples, factors and prime numbers. Our Science work on materials has continued and this week have been investigating the use of evaporation to separate dissolved solids - the children brought home the final results so hopefully they shared these with you. Last week, for National Poetry Day, we focused on personifying an emotion, such as joy or sadness and after drafting, we typed them up with an image that would be suitable. This also gave us the opportunity to explore colour and fonts to best reflect the poem's subject. It's been a very busy Term 1, and we're only just getting started - I can't wait for the exciting learning we'll be doing in term 2!



Elm & Aspen

Year 6 have been busy in English this week. We have started our new learning sequence - writing an expository essay based on the question "should children's daily screen time be limited?" So far, we have looked at the features of an essay and have spent time researching the advantages and disadvantages of screen time, giving us plenty of research ready for when we start our draft.

In Maths, we have recapped prime numbers as well as cubed and squared numbers. We are now going over the long multiplication method. Well done to all who have been completing TTRS and Mathletics each week.



In Spanish, we have seen lots of great writing recently. This term, Year 6 have learnt how to say school subjects in Spanish, give the time that they study those subjects, as well as give an opinion on whether they like/don't like/love or hate that subject. We have been very impressed with the speaking and writing in both classes!



In PSHE, we have been looking at rights and responsibilities but have also had lots of discussion about secondary school and what Year 7 will be like.



Forest School Acorns

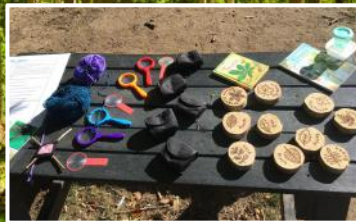


For Forest School this week, Acorns visited our Outdoor classroom. They were very excited to explore another part of the school. The whole class showed independence whilst making a clay snail, collecting pine cones, their favorite treasure's and leaves. After all that fun, the class enjoyed a tasty biscuit and a drink of hot chocolate.

Forest School Palm



Palm class were excited to visit the Outdoor classroom this week. They enjoyed making a clay snail and hunting for minibeasts for the new Bug Hotel. Children also used the peeler to whittle a stick.





Times Tables Rock Stars



W/E 07.10

W/E 07.10

W/E 14.10

W/E 14.10

Most Valuable Player

1st Isher of Elm

2nd Brian of Elm

3rd Aman of Elm

Winning Class

1st Elm

2nd Cherry

3rd Willow

Most Valuable Player

1st Isher of Elm

2nd Ronak of Cherry

3rd Brian of Elm

Winning Class

1st Elm

2nd Cherry

3rd Sycamore

Congratulations for all your hard work!



Last weekend Thomas of Cherry Class earned 'Man of the match' at the Istead Rise colts U9's football match against Riverview. He helped his team reach a 3-1 victory, scoring one goal and assisting a second. His manager said he earned the award because he was "an engine in midfield!" A big well done Thomas from all of us at Istead Rise Primary.

Core Values Congratulations To All Our Winners

Week Ending 07.10

Acorns Class

Sybil-Rose & Neda for Self Reflection

Oak Class

Ashiya for Independence, Mary-Kate for Perseverance & Theo for Self Reflection

Palm Class

Nyla for Independence, William for Respect & Charlotte for Self Reflection

Sycamore Class

Cooper G for Independence, Ruby H for Self Reflection & Emilia for Perseverance

Cherry Class

Anais for Independence, Ronak for Respect & David P for Perseverance

Willow Class

Lily, Maisey & Nathan for Respect

Elm Class

Dilan for Respect, Lilly & Abishai for Independence

Aspen Class

Alfie B, Darcie & Eden for Self Reflection

Week Ending 14.10

Acorns Class

Frank for Independence & Eliza for Perseverance

Oak Class

Raelie & Pixie-belle for Perseverance & Tyler for Respect

Palm Class

Bobby for Self Reflection, Teddy for Independence & Stanley for Perseverance

Sycamore Class

Arabella for Perseverance, Louie for Self Reflection & Edward for Respect

Cherry Class

Tommy for Perseverance, Molly for Independence & Lyra for Respect

Willow Class

Abigail for Perseverance, Seth for Independence & Ruby for Respect

Elm Class

Brandon for Self Reflection, Fraser for Independence & Arturo for Perseverance

Aspen Class

Isabella T, Sienna & Alice for Respect



OpenView Education

OpenView Education is offering access to a range of helpful resources which support their recent workshop and provide additional information on how parents/carers can keep children safe online. We are sure that you'll agree this can sometimes be a difficult area to supervise and monitor. Resources can be accessed via the following website and by using these login details:

You can login at:

<https://openvieweducation.co.uk/login/>

Username: IsteadRiseParents

Password: 43Standing78Tyre

Access to these resources are available until December 2022.

If you were able to attend last week's E-Safety Parent Workshop held in conjunction with OpenView Education, we hope you found it helpful (if you did attend, please could you spare a couple of minutes to email in some feedback).

MEOPHAM LEISURE CENTRE OCTOBER HOLIDAY CLUB

Monday 24th - Friday 28th October 2022

Our fun and inclusive holiday club provides children aged 5-12 a great opportunity to remain active during the holidays, whilst having fun and making new friends.

Each day will have a specific afternoon activity, alongside free play, sports, games, Arts & Crafts & more!

Afternoon activities

Monday - Inflatable Fun & Nerf Wars

Tuesday - Go Karts

Wednesday - Gymnastics

Thursday - Trampolining

Friday - Halloween Party 🎃

Full day (8am-5pm) - £25

Half day (8am-1pm or 12pm-5pm) - £15



Please pop in or call 01474 814199 to book your space
Please provide a packed lunch and refillable water bottle

Mathletics

Gold Mathletics

W/E 07.10

Charlie of Palm &
Felix of Oak

W/E 14.10

Samuel of Palm, Archie,
Ruby, Elsie & Jessica D of
Willow

**Congratulations for
all your hard work!**

Rainbow Harvest Festival

On Wednesday 19th October, we will be celebrating harvest this year with a 'RAINBOW HARVEST.'

Our local Reverend from St Barnabas Church, Mr Nevell, will be visiting the school to deliver an assembly to all of the children.

You can find full details by following this link

[Rainbow Harvest](#)



Guitar Lessons

If you would like your child to learn the guitar in school on a Friday afternoon, our teacher

Chris has a few slots available (Years 3-6). Please

contact Chris on 07940

046124 or email

downschris6@aol.com

for more information.



Let's see what's for lunch...



Week 2
Week Commencing 17th October

Monday	Main Meals Chicken & Beef Sausage with Mash & Onion Gravy Tex Mex Vegetarian Sausage Hot Pot V Pasta with Cheese Sauce V	Vegetables Sweetcorn & Peas Ve Dessert Coconut & Vanilla Sponge V
Tuesday	Main Meals Mild Chicken & Vegetable Curry with Steamed Rice Sweet Potato & Vegetable Curry with Steamed Rice Ve Jacket Potato with Baked Beans Ve	Vegetables Cauliflower & Green Beans Ve Dessert Orange Shortbread Ve
Wednesday	Main Meals Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes & Gravy BBQ Roast Sweet Potato & Bean Loaf with Roast Potatoes & Gravy Ve Wholegrain Pasta with Tomato Sauce Ve	Vegetables Seasonal Greens & Carrots Ve Dessert Apple & Oaty Topped Crumble Ve with Custard V
Thursday	Main Meals Beef Burger in a Bun Homemade Vegan Burger in a Bun Ve Jacket Potato with Cheese V	Vegetables Broccoli & Sweetcorn Ve Dessert Chocolate & Beetroot Brownie V
Friday	Main Meals Fish Fingers with Oven Baked Chips Vegetable Burrito Wrap Ve Pasta with Tomato Sauce Ve	Vegetables Peas & Baked Beans Ve Dessert Maryland Cookie V
Freshly Baked Bread: Garlic & Herb Bread V Wholemeal Bread V		
Week 1: 29th August, 19th September, 10th October, 31st October, 21st November, 12th December, 2nd January, 23rd January, 13th February		

Monday	Main Meals BBQ Chicken Pizza Margherita Pizza V Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayonnaise	Vegetables Sweetcorn Ve & Coleslaw V Dessert Chocolate & Courgette Sponge with Chocolate Sauce V
Tuesday	Main Meals Sweet & Sour Chicken with Steamed Rice Sweet & Sour Vegetables with Steamed Rice Ve Wholegrain Pasta with Tomato Sauce Ve	Vegetables Cauliflower & Peas Ve Dessert Oat & Cherry Cookie Ve
Wednesday	Main Meals Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes & Gravy Cauliflower & Cheese Bake with Roast Potatoes & Gravy V Pasta with Cheese Sauce V	Vegetables Seasonal Greens & Carrots Ve Dessert Banana Flapjack Ve
Thursday	Main Meals Beef & Bean Chilli with Rice Vegan Chilli Con Carne with Rice Ve Jacket Potato with Baked Beans Ve	Vegetables Broccoli & Sweetcorn Ve Dessert Apple & Parsnip Sponge V
Friday	Main Meals Battered Fish with Oven Baked Chips Vegetable Goujon with Oven Baked Chips Ve Pasta with Roasted Tomato Sauce Ve	Vegetables Baked Beans & Peas Ve Dessert Cherry Cookie Ve
Freshly Baked Bread: Carrot & Thyme Bread V Wholemeal Bread V		
Week 2: 5th September, 26th September, 17th October, 7th November, 28th November, 19th December, 9th January, 30th January, 20th February		

Monday	Main Meals Cottage Pie topped with Sliced Sweet Potato Macaroni & Cheese V Jacket Potato with Baked Beans Ve	Vegetables Peas & Carrots Ve Dessert Sticky Banana Bread V
Tuesday	Main Meals Chicken & Sweetcorn Meatballs with Tomato Sauce & Pasta Vegetable Jambalaya Ve Jacket Potato with Salmon Mayonnaise	Vegetables Cauliflower & Broccoli Ve Dessert Chocolate Shortbread Ve
Wednesday	Main Meals Thyme Roast Chicken Breast with Roast Potatoes & Gravy Roasted Ratatouille with Crumble Ve Wholegrain Pasta with Cheese Sauce V	Vegetables Seasonal Greens & Mashed Swede Ve Dessert Waffles with Berry Compote V
Thursday	Main Meals Beef Burger in a Bun Vegan Bolognese with Spaghetti Ve Jacket Potato with Baked Beans Ve	Vegetables Sweetcorn Ve & Coleslaw V Dessert Jammy Bread & Butter Pudding with Custard V
Friday	Main Meals Fish Fingers with Oven Baked Chips BBQ Vegetable Quesadilla V Pasta with Tomato Sauce Ve	Vegetables Baked Beans & Peas Ve Dessert Chocolate Sponge V
Freshly Baked Bread: Tomato & Herb Bread V Wholemeal Bread V		
Week 3: 12th September, 3rd October, 24th October, 14th November, 5th December, 26th December, 16th January, 6th February, 27th February		

V - Suitable for vegetarians
Ve - Suitable for vegans & vegetarians

All products are subject to availability.

Pabulum Salad Bar
Children can help themselves to an unlimited selection of freshly prepared healthy salads. Our new salad bar features all of the children's favourites, is completely free of the 14 recognised allergens, is suitable for vegetarians and vegans and packed full of fibre and nutrients.

BM2 Istead Rise
Available Every Day
Fresh Fruit Platter Ve
Homemade Fruit Yoghurt V

September 2022

pabulum
HONESTLY GOOD FOOD