



Istead Rise Primary Celebration Newsletter

Friday 18th November 2022



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Dear Istead Rise Families,

It has been a great day at Istead Rise - So many children are looking fantastic in their fancy dress for Children in Need and are clearly enjoying their day and sharing their outfits!! We offer our thanks also to all those parents and carers who have made generous donations to the charity that helps so many. Don't forget further donations can still be made via Parent Pay.

We hope that you enjoy catching-up on the latest news on your child's learning in this celebration newsletter and wish you all a fantastic weekend!

Steve Payne



Attendance Class Awards

(2 superclass letters)



W/C 07.11.22

KS1 - Hero the bear

Acorns & Palm

KS2 - Trophy

Cherry

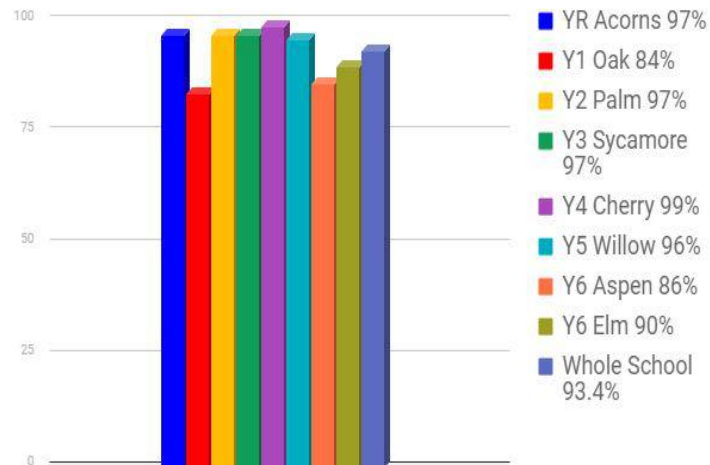
W/C 21.11.22

KS1 - Hero the bear

Acorns & Palm

KS2 - Trophy

Cherry



Whole School Attendance Week Commencing 07.11.22



Whole School Attendance Week Commencing 21.11.22



Thursday 1st December
Parent Consultations

Parent Consultations
Letter Link

Monday 5th December
Year 5 Carol Service
10:00am-10:45am
Year 6 Carol Service
2:00pm-2:45pm

Wednesday 7th December
Years 3 & 4
Carol Service
10:00am-10:45am

Tuesday 13th December
KS1 Nativity
See separate letter

Wednesday 14th
December - Christmas
Dinner & Jumper Day

Friday 16th December End
of Term 2

Tuesday 3rd January
INSET Day School Closed

Wednesday 4th January
Term 3 Begins

BBC
Children
in Need



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Children
in Need



Remembrance Sunday



School Council



Some of our children took part in a Remembrance Parade in Gravesend last Sunday. From L-R Nathan, James, Charlie, Harry, Oliver, Jack, Kai, Keira, Jack & George were representing the Istead Rise Scouts, Cubs and Beavers. Harry held the flag for the Beavers and Oliver laid the wreath for the Cubs. A very proud moment for the children on which is a very important occasion.

Well done to all of you from all of us at Istead Rise.

Lillie of Cherry Class was recently awarded a medal at Gymnastics. Lillie who has not been at the club very long, was awarded for completing all of her skills. Congratulations Lillie from all of us at Istead Rise Primary!



Mrs Porter would like to thank all of the children who made a speech to put their name forward for the Istead Rise Pupil Parliament. It takes a lot of courage to stand up in front of others and speak aloud. Everyone did an amazing job!

Last week, the children of KS2 all went into the hall to cast their vote. The results of this year's vote are:

Yr R: Arlo
Yr 1: Rajah
Yr 2: Evelyn

Yr 3: Summer
Yr 4: Molly
Yr 5: Oliver
Yr 6: Harjot and Aman

Congratulations! I look forward to working with you all as part of the Pupil Parliament this year!



Acorns

Understanding of the World

We have had such a great time with our learning, particularly learning about the past and present. Can you guess the name of the man in the picture? His name was Guy Fawkes. A long, long time ago Guy Fawkes attempted to blow up the Houses of Parliament with gunpowder because he didn't like King James I. His plot didn't happen as he was overheard talking about it and the King found out and sent Guy Fawkes to jail. Now we know why Guy Fawkes Day happens! Take a look at how we celebrated it.



We listened to the story of Remember Remember the 5th of November!



We made firework pictures using chalk



We used natural resources to create a bonfire!



We used the interactive whiteboard to make our beautiful fireworks.



Time for a dance!

Dancing is definitely something that the children in Acorn class love to do! They have some great dance moves.

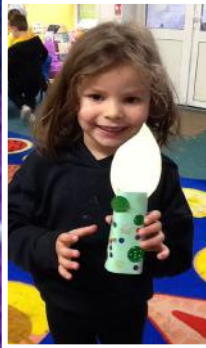
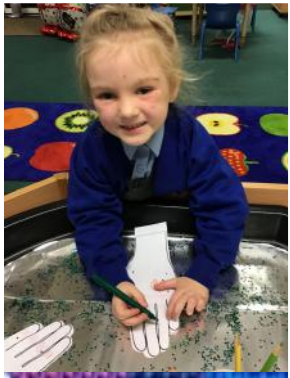


We used cardboard tubes and cut them at the ends. Then we dipped them in paint and added glitter.

Acorns

Diwali

Diwali is a five day Festival of Lights celebrated by millions of Hindus, Sikhs and Jains across the world. It is a festival of new beginnings. The children celebrated Diwali by making Diva Lamps and rangoli patterns.



Acorns

Understanding of the World

The children in Acorn class learnt about why Remembrance Day is held on the 11th of November. They learnt about why poppies are worn on Remembrance Day and showed respect to remember the millions who had lost their lives at war by following a 2 minute silence. Thank you to all those that sent in donations to support Poppy Appeal!



Maths

In maths, we have been learning to identify and represent numbers 1, 2 and 3. We looked around our environment to see what we could find before bringing them back to check the amount of objects we had. We then had to identify pictorial images of different amounts of objects and circle the amounts that were given to us.



P.E

In P.E. we have been learning to climb onto a piece of equipment and jump off of it. We talked about how important it was to use our core muscles to help us jump.



Phonics

We are learning to say our set 1 phonic sounds. Some children have also been learning to blend the sounds they have learnt. We have been delighted with the children's perseverance in practising to blend.



Oak

Palm

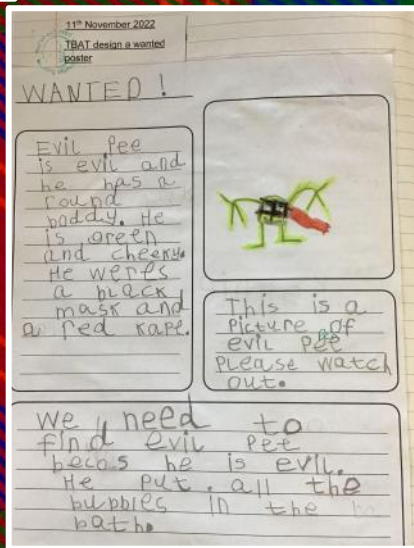
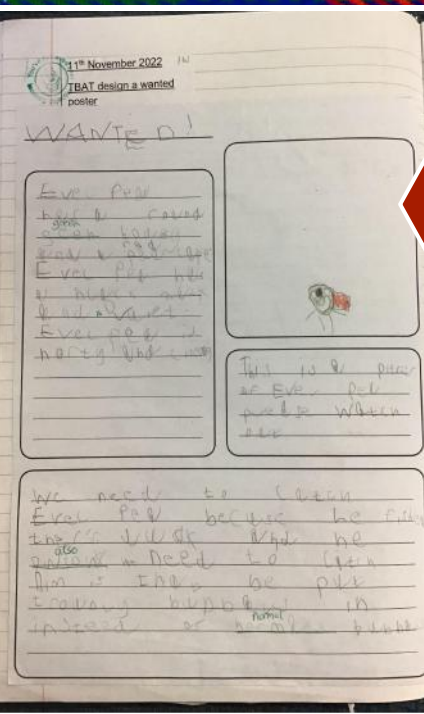
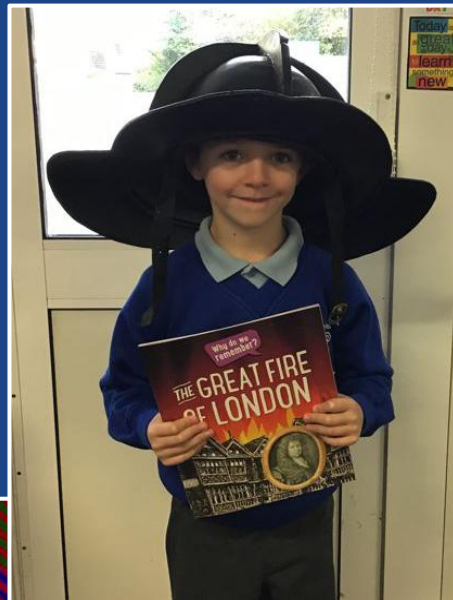
This week the children have been reading **Supertato** **Bubbly Troubly**. They identified adjectives to describe **Evil Pea** and then wrote a wanted poster to ask others to help search for him!



Year 2 have really enjoyed learning about the Great Fire of London this term. We were lucky to have a loan box from Maidstone Museum which included a lot of fascinating objects. We looked at information books together, tried on a helmet and experienced what it would have been like for Samuel Pepys to write his diary using a quill!

In English, we are starting our information texts on different nocturnal animals. We have used the chromebooks to research facts about them and are working hard on putting our notes into coherent paragraphs.

We have finished our Maths learning on Addition and subtraction and have started to look at shape this term. We have identified the names of 2D/ 3D shapes and will start to look at their faces, edges and vertices in the following lessons.

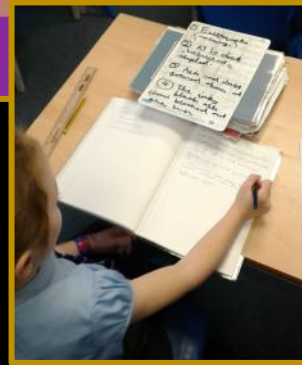


Sycamore

The children have been learning how to write a recount in English this week. We have been ordering events chronologically, using temporal conjunctions and using the past tense to write a recount of the eruption of Mount Vesuvius in AD79. The children have come up with some fantastic vocabulary to describe the eruption.

We have been learning about states of matter in science and the children have enjoyed taking part in experiments to explore the properties of gases.

During our history lessons, we have been learning about the Stone Age and the children have been really interested in learning about how Stone Age people lived in Britain. We have recently completed a historical study of Skara Brae, a Stone Age settlement in Scotland.



Cherry

In Year 4 the children have been working hard this past two weeks. They have just finished their English writing about chocolate and look forward to sharing their writing with you at parents evening. In maths we have been learning our times tables, we have focussed on the 3, 6, 9 and 7 times tables. In art this week the children explored printing with various materials.

Science this term is states of matter. The children enjoyed the role play activity which involved behaving like a solid (tightly packed together), liquid (small gaps moving back & forth in their lines) and gas (freely move around the room). We then did two experiments: the first one was to understand that gas can be compressed and the second was to weigh gas using balloons to understand gas has no fixed shape or volume.

The children thoroughly enjoyed making chocolate truffles this afternoon as part of their superclass reward.



Solid



Liquid



Gas



Willow

We have now started our writing sequence on a narrative based on the Time Machine, focussing on the use of sophisticated vocabulary and using a range of sentence types.

In Maths we are continuing with our work on fractions and have been looking at adding fractions this week, both with the same denominator and different denominators. This work has also highlighted to the children the importance of their times tables, and the need to continue learning these for even quicker recall.

In Science we have investigated the rates of corrosion this week, while in Music we have started to learn the songs and carols we will be performing at the carol concert later this term. In Art we are coming to the end of our work on futuristic art, and this has included creating printing plates.

Elm & Aspen

Year 6 have been hard at work again these past couple of weeks! Both classes are loving our new History topic of the Victorians. We have recently looked at significant people from the Victorian era and why they were important. This week, we looked at the Industrial Revolution which we will continue to look into next week. Both classes are always so full of questions about the Victorian era, which is wonderful.

In Maths we have moved onto fractions and have started by looking at how to find an equivalent fraction and how to simplify a fraction.

Last week was our first forest school session of the year and lots of fun and learning was had by all! The children loved exploring the forest; using their skills to build dens, bridges and shops. It was great to see the role play and exploring that was going on. We even had children using mud as 'cement' and filling in holes in the logs! We are looking forward to more forest adventures in the coming weeks.



Forest School Aspen Class

Year 6 have thrown themselves into Forest School this term and have definitely shown the school core values. They have independently managed their own risk when building dens, respected each other when working as a team to build structures, persevered when making forest crafts either with clay or when weaving and shown self-reflection when assessing their learning.



Forest School Elm Class



The link below will take you to a copy of November's Online Safety Newsletter

[Online Safety Newsletter](#)

Bronze Peg Up Points

W/E 11.11

Katelyn & Nihaal of Sycamore, Molly, Millie H, Mila, Lyra, Lucas, Lillie, Blake, Anais, Ronak & Grace of Cherry, Oliver, Carlyle, Cerys & Mia of Willow

W/E 11.11

Darcie, Ellenor, Poppy, Henry & Isabella T of Aspen, Delphine, Freddie, Emila, Lucas, Matilda, Otis, Ruby WN, Shae & Summer of Sycamore, Millie C, Harvey, Dinn, David & Brody of Cherry, Archie & Elsie of Willow



A big well done to all of you!

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).



W/E 11.11
Winning Class
1st Elm
2nd Cherry
3rd Aspen

Times Tables Rock Stars

W/E 11.11
Most Valuable Player
1st Harjot of Aspen
2nd Ronak of Cherry
3rd Isher of Elm



W/E 18.11
Most Valuable Player
1st Isher of Elm
2nd Ronak of Cherry
3rd Brian of Elm

W/E 18.11
Winning Class
1st Elm
2nd Cherry
3rd Sycamore

We are looking for a qualified, Level 3+ in Childcare / Early Years. The candidate must have a passion for working within early years, helping to develop children's learning and get them ready for big school.

Key responsibilities of the Nursery Practitioner include:

- Supporting the staff and management in providing the highest level of care and learning.
- Creating a supportive and inclusive environment for the children.
- Observations and write ups on children's development.

The ideal candidate will:

- Be passionate about childcare.
- Hold a relevant childcare qualification (NVQ Level 3 or above).
- Have a good understanding of the Early Years Foundation Scheme (EYFS).
- Have great communication skills.

Salary is flexible and negotiable based on the successful candidates age, experience and qualifications. We have a supportive management team who develop staff in their careers and are happy to support with additional courses and career development. We value our exceptionally hard-working team and want to add another experienced, passionate team member to it. So please get in contact with us.

Contact: Jugan Sahota
Mobile: 07701085921



Gold Mathletics

W/E 11.11

Bobby of Aspen, Jace of Cherry, Rui & Bea of Elm, Lily & Oliver of Willow

W/E 18.11

Harry of Palm & Brody of Cherry

Congratulations for all your hard work!



Certificate of appreciation to

Istead Rise Primary School

In recognition of 177.9 Kg Harvest Donations collected for
Gravesham Foodbank Autumn 2022

Churches Together in
GRAVESHAM
United in sharing the love of Christ



Registered charity no 1135341



A message from Gravesham's Foodbank

Thank you for your very generous gifts to Gravesham Foodbank, it has been received with love and we are sure it shall go a long way in supporting those in need particularly in these uncertain times.

Your generosity during this harvest is of vital importance to Gravesham Foodbank and we are hugely grateful for your kindness to our cause.

The total of your giving came to 177.9Kg. Please extend our appreciation to your lovely pupils, parents, carers and the community at large.



Core Values Congratulations To All Our Winners



Week Ending 11.11

Acorns Class

Daisy & Lennon for Independence, Milan for Respect

Oak Class

Samantha for Independence, Devan for Perseverance & Ronnie for Respect

Palm Class

Alfred & Samuel for Perseverance, Amaia for Self Reflection

Sycamore Class

Maya for Independence, Martin for Respect & Otis for Self Reflection

Cherry Class

Brody for Independence, Millie C for Perseverance & Alfie for Respect

Willow Class

Ollie for Perseverance, Charlie W & Jude for Respect

Elm Class

Dylan for Self Reflection, Harry for Perseverance, & Tabitha for Independence

Aspen Class

Charlotte for Perseverance, Tyler-James for Respect & Poppy for Independence

Week Ending 18.11

Acorns Class

Jaxon & Milan for Self Reflection

Oak Class

Rajah for Perseverance, Theo H for Self Reflection & Zachary for Respect

Palm Class

Rosie for Perseverance, Sujaan for Self Reflection & Margaret for Respect

Sycamore Class

Samuel-Yannis for Perseverance, Shae & Freddie for Independence

Cherry Class

Berta for Self Reflection, Grace & Charlie for Independence

Willow Class

George, Jack & Holly for Self Reflection

Elm Class

Brandon for Respect, Emily for Independence & John for Perseverance

Aspen Class

James S for Perseverance, Isabella B & Sahib for Respect

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



Week 1
Week Commencing 21st November

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

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HONESTLY GOOD FOOD