



Istead Rise Primary Celebration Newsletter

Friday 2nd December 2022



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Dear Istead Rise Families,

Thank you to everybody who attended our parent consultation day yesterday. It was a fantastically positive event and it was great to see so many of you there. I am especially grateful to all those parents and carers who sought me out to offer such lovely feedback about our staff – It always means a lot to our team to hear such complimentary comments and I always make sure to pass each one on.

Thank you also to everyone who took the time to complete the questionnaire (all 110 of you!). Here is a summary of what you told us:

Do you feel well informed about your child's progress?

Strongly agree – 86%
Agree – 14%
Disagree – 0%
Strongly Disagree – 0%

Do you feel that your child's class teacher is doing all they can to ensure that your child makes good progress?

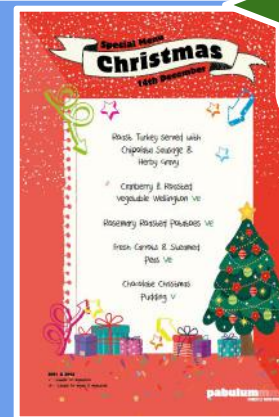
Strongly Agree – 92%
Agree – 8%
Disagree – 0%
Strongly Disagree 0%

I know how to help support my child's education at home, for example, with their reading?

Strongly Agree – 84%
Agree – 16%
Disagree – 0%
Strongly Disagree- 0%

Two parents mentioned that they would also like to find out more about their child's curriculum and what is coming-up in their learning. The good news is, you can! We publish our whole curriculum on our website [here](#), meaning you can look at what your child will be learning in every subject.

Wishing you all a brilliant weekend, Steve Payne



Please book your child's Christmas Lunch via Parent Pay before 02.12.22 to avoid disappointment



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 attached 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

Mathletics

Gold Mathletics

Mathletics

W/E 25.11

Henry & Ella of Palm

W/E 02.12

Emilia & Cooper M of Sycamore

**Congratulations for
all your hard work!**

Times Tables Rock Stars

W/E 25.11

Winning Class

1st Aspen

2nd Cherry

3rd Elm

W/E 25.11

Most Valuable Player

1st Harjot of Aspen

2nd Isher of Elm

3rd Ronak of Cherry

W/E 02.12

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3rd Bobby of Aspen

25.11 Rock Hero Status Millie H of Cherry

Under 6 / Year R?

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MINI FOOTBALL

Free Taster Session

Saturday January 07th 2023

1030 – 1130

Istead Rise

Memorial Hall

Book a space

Contact Sam Kirkby 07736 561155



Core Values Congratulations To All Our Winners

Week Ending 25.11

Acorns Class

Aubany for Perseverance & Seren for Self Reflection

Oak Class

Emily for Perseverance, Luna & Freya for Independence

Palm Class

Henry for Self Reflection, Lyla & Constance for Perseverance

Sycamore Class

Cooper M for Perseverance, Kai for Self Reflection & Ava for Independence

Cherry Class

Jacob, Theo & Tess for Independence

Willow Class

Tommy for Self Reflection, Margaret & Jessica D for Perseverance

Elm Class

Bea, Ann-Louise, Brian & Harry for Self Reflection

Aspen Class

Amaryah for Perseverance, Tany & Alfie for Independence

Week Ending 02.12

Acorns Class

Benjamin & George for Independence

Oak Class

Florence for Independence, Darcy for Self Reflection & Bobby for Respect

Palm Class

Rosie for Self Reflection, Alf for Independence & Charlotte for Respect

Sycamore Class

Delphine for Independence, Nihaal & Summer for Respect

Cherry Class

Scarlett for Self Reflection, Millie H & Poppy for Respect

Willow Class

Jack, George & Elsie for Perseverance

Elm Class

Max for Respect, Florence & Fraser for Perseverance

Aspen Class

Niamh, Darcie & Tyler C for Independence

Bronze Peg Up Points

W/E 25.11

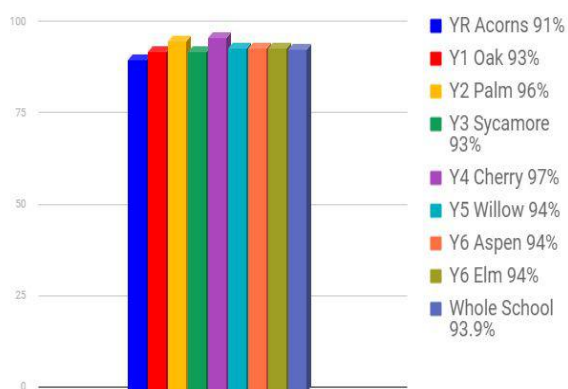
Isabella & Seth of Willow, Sahib & Harjot of Aspen, Parker of Elm & Cooper M, Abril, Maya, Ruby H & Esme of Sycamore



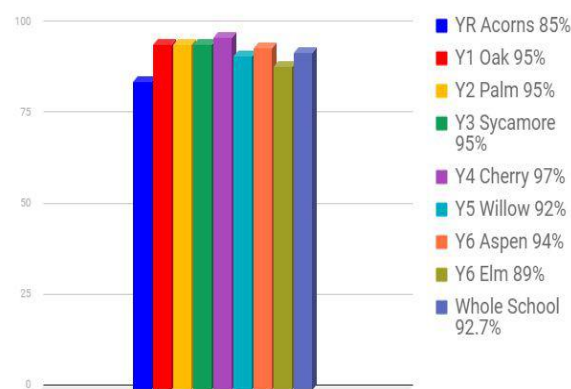
W/E 02.12

Tommy, Theo, Jace, Harry, Charlie, Berta, Carter & Alfie of Cherry, Arabella, Ava, Cooper G, Cooper M, Elvie-Rose, Leah-Marie & Ruby H of Sycamore

A big well done to all of you!



Whole School Attendance Week Commencing 28.12.22



Whole School Attendance Week Commencing 21.11.22

Shepherds on a Hillside

A family Forest Church event with a touring nativity, real sheep to see and stroke and good quality crafts for children to make whilst refreshments are enjoyed!



Sunday 11th December

2-3:30pm

@St Barnabas Church, Istead Rise



Attendance Class Awards

2 Superclass Letters



W/C 21.11.22

KS1 - Hero the bear **Oak & Palm**
KS2 - Trophy **Cherry**

W/C 28.11.22

KS1 - Hero the bear **Palm**
KS2 - Trophy **Cherry**

Parent Drop In Sessions



Here are the dates of our next 'Parent Drop In Sessions' for your diaries.

Wednesday 1st February 2023

Thursday 23rd March 2023

Tuesday 23rd May 2023

We look forward to seeing you then.

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 candidate's 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.

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Forest School

This week Year 6 learnt about the Fire Triangle and how to stay safe around one. They got the opportunity to toast a marshmallow with a whittled stick. The sticks were whittled by some members of Year 6 in the last session using a penknife. The Forest Spa was also open and used by members of the year group who enjoyed it so much one of them took a mud bath.



It has been an absolute pleasure to have Year 6 in the Forest this term. Children have gained confidence, built up their self esteem and enjoyed the natural surroundings. Using the knots and lashings taught, Destiny made a wonderful Dream Catcher and Ezekiel made a special Forest Craft where each colour he used represented a member of his family.



Acorns

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We are learning to share items at a birthday party.



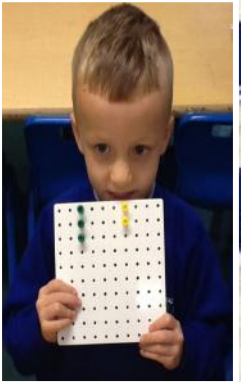
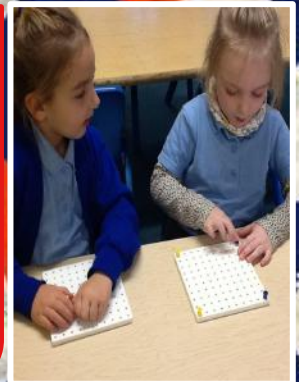
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In our Jigsaw lessons we have been learning how to 'Celebrate Difference'. The children learnt how we all have some things that are different but that we are also unique and very different from each other. The children talked about how the colour of their eyes or hair might be different. They also learnt about families whether our families are the same.



It's a celebration

We have been learning all about how birthdays are celebrated. Having read the story of 'Maisy's Birthday' the children carried out activities linked to the story.



Maths

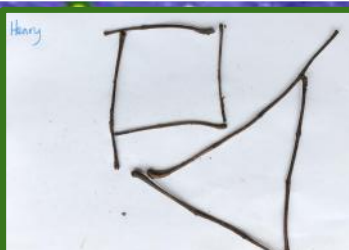
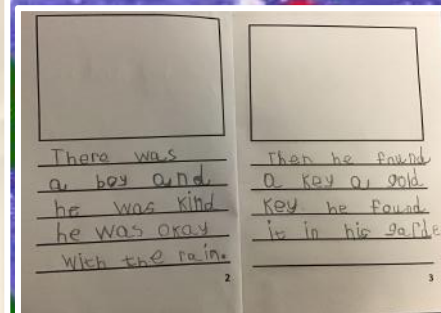
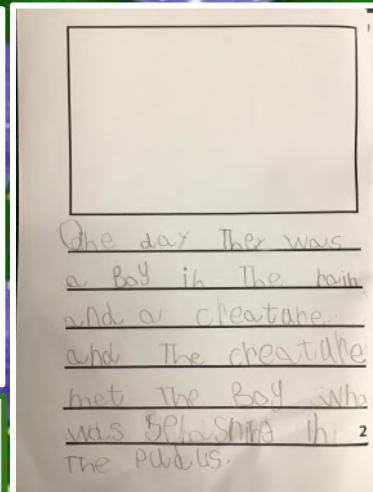
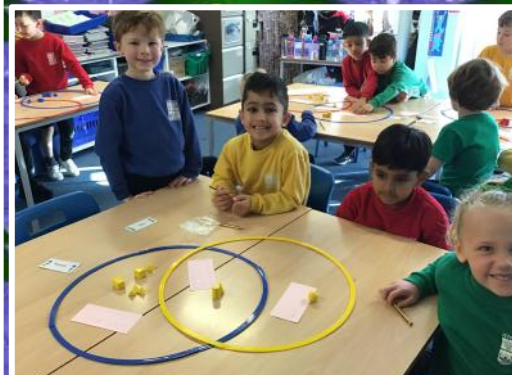
Lots of learning has happened in maths! We have learnt about the numbers 4 and 5 and used resources to find different ways to make them. We have also learnt how to find one more of a given number.





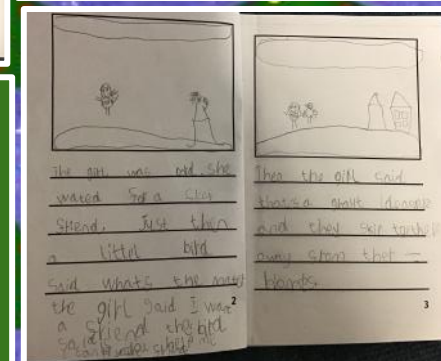
In History, we spent some time looking at maps of London and how the Great Fire of London spread each day. It was shocking to imagine how much of London was destroyed and we found it fascinating to learn that the Monument built to commemorate the fire still exists today!

In English, we are finishing off our fantastic information texts on nocturnal animals before moving onto writing a persuasive letter. We are going to use our Guided Reading text, 'The Owl who was Afraid of the Dark' to write a letter to the main character, Plop to try to convince him to not be scared of the dark anymore..

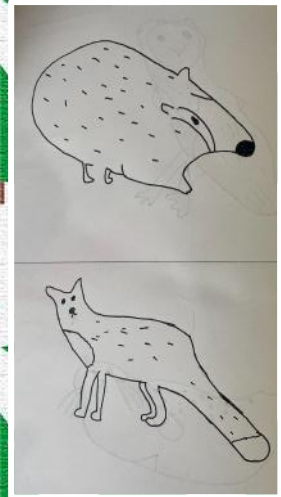


Year 1 have been learning about 2D and 3D shapes this week. They went on a walk to find some sticks and made their own 2D shapes and sorted 3D shapes using venn diagrams and their own groupings.

In English, we have been looking at the story of 'The boy and the rainbow'. The children have been on a rainbow walk around the school grounds to gather ideas and then they will be writing their own stories.



Sycamore



We have been writing a recount in English about the 79AD eruption of Mount Vesuvius, in which the children have used some amazing sentence starters and vocabulary.

In maths we are moving on from addition and subtraction to multiplication and division. So far, the children have learnt how to make equal groups and use arrays.

In art we have been learning about Prehistoric cave paintings and the children even created their own based on some line drawings they did of British animals.

Cherry

The children have been learning how to write a description in English this week. We have been using expanded noun phrases and fronted adverbials. The children have come up with some wonderful vocabulary to describe the Rainforest.

We have continued to learn about states of matter in science and the children have enjoyed taking part in experiments to explore evaporation.

During our history lessons, we have been learning about the Anglo Saxons and the children have been really interested in learning about this period in time. In maths we have been learning our 11 and 12 times tables.

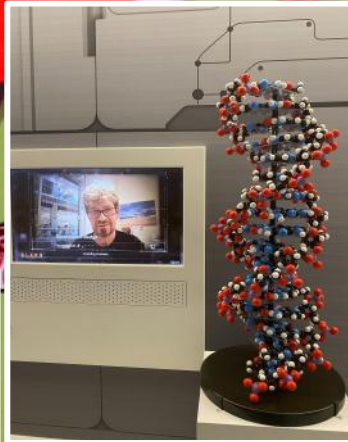


Willow



This week we went on our trip to the Science Museum to experience their brand new Science Fiction exhibition. It was an amazing day out, and looked at how science is imitating science fiction movies and novels with new innovations. The behaviour of the children was exemplary, with each of them displaying all four of our school values to the highest standard. Back in school, we have started our final science fiction writing sequence, which has focused in these early stages on sophisticated and technical vocabulary.

In Maths we have been continuing with the work on fractions, specifically subtracting. Preparations have continued for our carol concert in music, and we look forward to welcoming as many of you as possible on Monday.



Elm & Aspen

Year 6 have been busy practising for our Christmas play recently! The singing has been great and we have some very confident speakers and readers. We hope you are looking forward to it!

Both classes have had fun in the forest again recently. The children have built bridges, gyms, swings and lots more! We have also had lots of creative 'baking' going on as well as the making of bracelets too.

In English, we have nearly completed our current sequence of writing a leader's speech. The children have raised lots of good points and are writing some detailed and well thought out speeches.

Year 6 have been working hard on their fractions work in Maths. We have started to multiply and divide fractions; as well as building on our previous learnt methods of how to convert mixed numbers and improper fractions.

In Art, Year 6 have been looking at the work of Fiona Rae. We have created our own abstract drawings, based on her work. The children enjoyed choosing a subject and challenging themselves to represent this in an abstract way.

Well done!

COME ON
ENGLAND!



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



Week 3
Week Commencing 5th December

Monday	Main Meals	Vegetables
	Chicken & Beef Sausage with Mash & Onion Gravy	Sweetcorn & Peas Ve
	Tex Mex Vegetarian Sausage Hot Pot V	Dessert Coconut & Vanilla Sponge V
	Pasta with Cheese Sauce V	

Tuesday	Main Meals	Vegetables
	Mild Chicken & Vegetable Curry with Steamed Rice	Cauliflower & Green Beans Ve
	Sweet Potato & Vegetable Curry with Steamed Rice Ve	Dessert Orange Shortbread Ve
	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans Ve	

Wednesday 14th December Christmas Dinner & Jumper Day Menu

Thursday	Main Meals	Vegetables
	Beef Burger in a Bun	Broccoli & Sweetcorn Ve
	Homemade Vegan Burger in a Bun Ve	Dessert Chocolate & Beetroot Brownie V
	Jacket Potato with Cheese V	

Friday	Main Meals	Vegetables
	Fish Fingers with Oven Baked Chips	Peas & Baked Beans Ve
	Vegetable Burrito Wrap Ve	Dessert Maryland Cookie V
	Pasta with Tomato Sauce Ve	

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	Vegetables
	BBQ Chicken Pizza	Sweetcorn Ve & Coleslaw V
	Margherita Pizza V	Dessert Chocolate & Courgette Sponge with Chocolate Sauce V
	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayonnaise	

Tuesday	Main Meals	Vegetables
	Sweet & Sour Chicken with Steamed Rice	Cauliflower & Peas Ve
	Sweet & Sour Vegetables with Steamed Rice Ve	Dessert Oat & Cherry Cookie Ve
	Wholegrain Pasta with Tomato Sauce Ve	

Wednesday	Main Meals	Vegetables
	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Seasonal Greens & Carrots Ve
	Cauliflower & Cheese Bake with Roast Potatoes & Gravy V	Dessert Banana Flapjack Ve
	Pasta with Cheese Sauce V	

Thursday	Main Meals	Vegetables
	Beef & Bean Chilli with Rice	Broccoli & Sweetcorn Ve
	Vegan Chilli Con Carne with Rice Ve	Dessert Apple & Parsnip Sponge V
	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans Ve	

Friday	Main Meals	Vegetables
	Battered Fish with Oven Baked Chips	Baked Beans & Peas Ve
	Vegetable Goujon with Oven Baked Chips Ve	Dessert Cherry Cookie Ve
	Pasta with Roasted Tomato Sauce 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

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.

Monday	Main Meals	Vegetables
	Cottage Pie topped with Sliced Sweet Potato	Peas & Carrots Ve
	Macaroni & Cheese V	Dessert Sticky Banana Bread V
	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans Ve	

Tuesday	Main Meals	Vegetables
	Chicken & Sweetcorn Meatballs with Tomato Sauce & Pasta	Cauliflower & Broccoli Ve
	Vegetable Jambalaya Ve	Dessert Chocolate Shortbread Ve
	Jacket Potato with Salmon Mayonnaise	

Wednesday	Main Meals	Vegetables
	Thyme Roast Chicken Breast with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Seasonal Greens & Mashed Swede Ve
	Roasted Ratatouille with Crumble Ve	Dessert Waffles with Berry Compote V
	Wholegrain Pasta with Cheese Sauce V	

Thursday	Main Meals	Vegetables
	Beef Burger in a Bun	Sweetcorn Ve & Coleslaw V
	Vegan Bolognese with Spaghetti Ve	Dessert Jammy Bread & Butter Pudding with Custard V
	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans Ve	

Friday	Main Meals	Vegetables
	Fish Fingers with Oven Baked Chips	Baked Beans & Peas Ve
	BBQ Vegetable Quesadilla V	Dessert Chocolate Sponge V
	Pasta with Tomato Sauce Ve	

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.

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

September 2022

pabulum
HONESTLY GOOD FOOD