



Istead Rise Primary Celebration Newsletter



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Dear Istead Rise Families,

This week at Istead Rise we have been enjoying a tour through history! It was fantastic to see so many of our pupils from across the school thoroughly captivated by our visit from 'Brunel'. All classes clearly enjoyed the experience, and Islambard himself shared with staff how impressed he was with our pupils' willingness to engage and learn, as well as their existing knowledge of history and engineering. Year 3 have also been enjoying stepping through the 'Portal to The Past', their special experience day on the ancient Greeks. Well done to children and parents on some brilliant costumes!

Science Technology Engineering & Maths (STEM) week has been progressing very well and children have been enjoying learning new skills. We have been very impressed with our pupils' edible architecture - although we're not certain that the wholesale use of marshmallow as a construction material is likely to catch on!

Regarding those Year 6 pupils whose transition day at Meopham Secondary clashed with the residential trip - I am pleased to confirm that a new day has been arranged for the transition activities to take place, meaning no children need to miss out on either experience. Further details will be sent to those relevant families in due course. Thank you to the parents who brought this matter to our attention.

Lastly, thank you to all families who have made donations to our collection for Comic Relief today - your generosity is much appreciated.

Wishing you all a great weekend,

Steve Payne



Elvie-Rose of Palm performed in Cirquesque at the Central Theatre last Saturday night with her aerial academy.

She was the youngest performer and the show was absolutely amazing! What a fantastic achievement Elvie-Rose, we are all very proud of you!

**RED
NOSE
DAY**

There is still time to
donate via your child's
Parent Pay
account!



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for families facing
terminal illness

Dylan in Year 6 ran the mini marathon last Sunday and raised over £11,500 for the Ellenor Hospice who have been providing support to Dylan's family since his little brother Zac was diagnosed with a brain tumour. Dylan's classmate Denis also ran to support him and came second overall. We are all very proud of Dylan for raising this incredible amount of money (smashing his £500 target) for such a worthy cause, and congratulations to Denis for doing so well in the race and for supporting his friend.

If you would also like to donate to the charity you can do so via this

Just Giving link

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/karen-staples2>

Click [here](#) for the full article on the Ellenor website





**RED
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The children have had a great day supporting Comic Relief. Well done to all of you who entered our 'Design a Red Nose' competition. We have so many fantastic entries, it made it so difficult for us to choose. Our worthy winners were Summer of Palm, Poppy of Sycamore & Luella of Aspen. A very big well done from all of us at Istead Rise!



Acorns

Time for a story

The children have thoroughly enjoyed listening to stories read to them by Mr Loe and Mr Tyler. Mr Loe read 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' and Mr Tyler read the story "Superworm."

Understanding the World

Acorns Class have been learning all about 'The Life Cycle of a Butterfly.' With their very own Butterfly Garden Growing Kit, the children have been enthralled with watching their caterpillars grow. They also created their own Butterfly Life Cycle. The class cannot wait to see what happens next!



The Police

Acorns Class have continued to learn about 'People Who Help Us.' They have been keen to find out who stole some equipment from the home corner and then had a sleep after the event. They spotted a bowl of cereal when they came into school in the morning. The children have been looking for clues whilst being detectives.



Acorns



DT with Mr Eastwood
The children have had lots of fun with Mr Eastwood, learning techniques for weaving and making their own dream catchers.

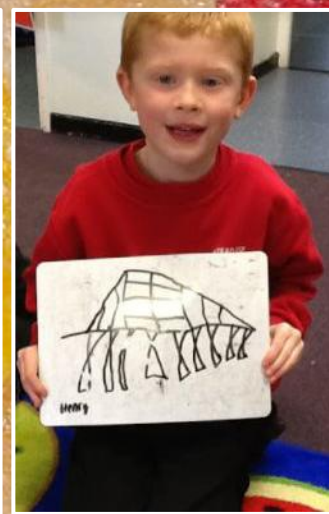
Celebrating Science Week

What an exciting week! The children have immersed themselves in non stop engineering challenges and activities. They have gained skills through interacting with each other, compromising and negotiating, expressing and articulating their ideas, and of course looking at ways in which to solve problems. This week, the children were presented with the task to design and build a bridge, one strong enough to hold a toy car without it crashing down and another to hold a human. The children's designs, coupled with their determination and perseverance, was incredible to see.

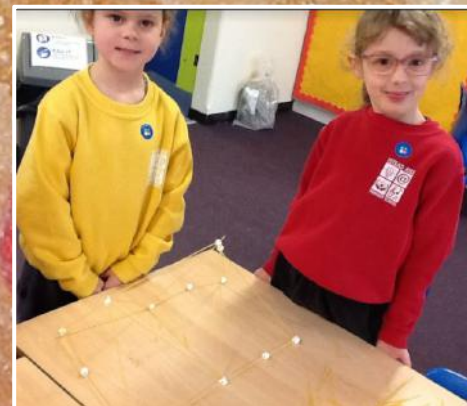


Oak

During our STEM activity day, we designed and made a bridge from straws and marshmallows. It had to be strong enough to carry a car across it.



Who could make the tallest tower using spaghetti and marshmallows?





This week, Year 2 had a fantastic day learning all about the famous engineer, Brunel. We learnt how he often had to problem solve and persevere to achieve his final projects. Using these skills, we tried to make the tallest tower out of spaghetti and marshmallows and the strongest bridge using paper straws.



We had lots of fun in both activities and continued to keep trying even when it was tricky or our structures kept breaking!

In English, we have continued our learning on the pilot, Amy Johnson, by writing a diary entry from her perspective on the day she flew to Australia. We have thought about how she might be feeling at different times of the day and have used a thesaurus to uplevel our original words.



Sycamore

Sycamore has been working hard on their DT work this week. They designed and made a flying rocket after doing some market research into similar children's toys. They were really proud of their creations and are looking forward to testing them out to see which one goes the furthest.

We also had a fantastic time on Monday when we learnt all about Isambard Kingdom Brunel and built our own bridges based on his designs.



Sycamore

The children also took part in an Ancient Greek workshop on Wednesday.

This was a really enjoyable experience for the children!



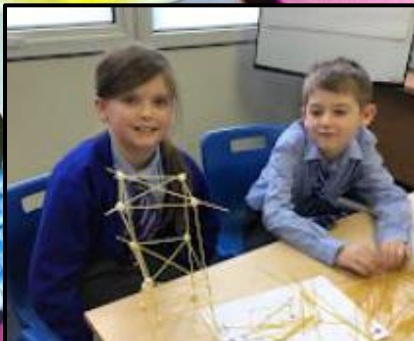
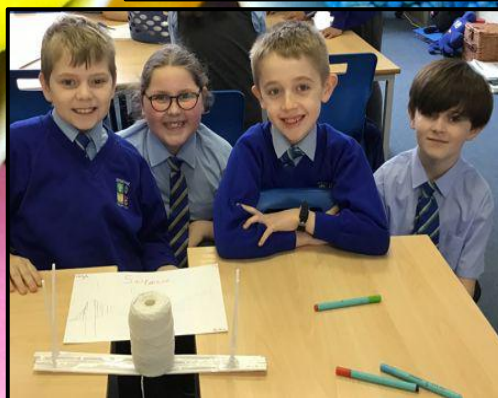
Cherry

This week Cherry Class have been excited about their STEM day and having a famous person, Isambard Kingdom Brunel, visit the school and share his interactive show.

In history we have been finding out about Alfred the Great and in science we continue to enjoy observing our plant experiments.

In Maths we have been learning fractions and going on to make links with the relationship between fractions and decimals. The children were excited to power their balloon cars and evaluated their final product.

In our STEM afternoons we have made bridges and towers, a few designs were able to withstand a weight and most of the towers stood up, even if they were a little like the leaning tower of Pisa.



Willow & Holly

Year 5 are really enjoying our current Spanish topic of 'In the Classroom'. We are learning how to say different items that you might find in the classroom, in Spanish and also learning how to tell someone what we do and don't have in our pencil cases.



In Computing, we have been learning about how to use different search engines and how to be specific about what we are searching for.

We have also looked at copyright law and learnt about crediting a creator if their work or content is used.

In PHSE, we are continuing on our 'Healthy Me' topic.

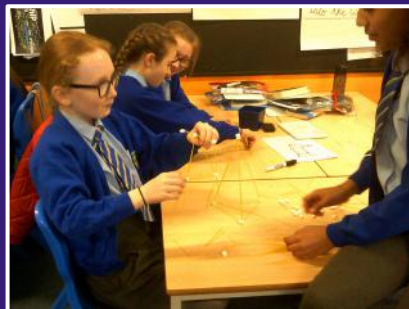


Last week, we learnt about basic first aid procedures; how to put a person in the recovery position and how to keep calm in emergency situations. Well done Year 5!



Aspen

It's been a busy and practical time in Aspen. We're now working on a 'day in the life of Molly Brown' in English, focusing on the fateful voyage of the Titanic, which resulted in some great discussion and dramatic and emotional writing.



In maths we have been continuing to focus on arithmetic, while also looking at ratio, calculating missing angles and how to use a protractor.



In Science we completed our shadow puppets and tried them out - with great success! They have now been donated to Reception class (Acorns) for the children to use when telling stories. During our work in science week, we have built towers and a ball run - looking in particular at the shapes needed to strengthen a design during building.

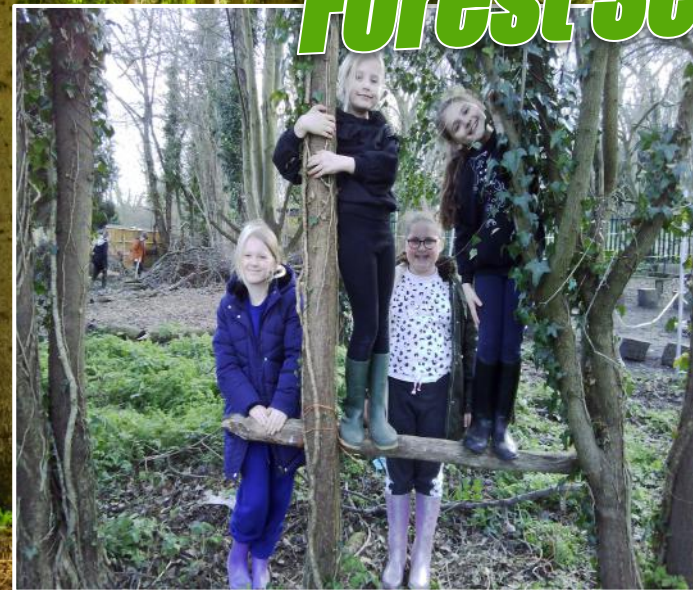
This week the children produced a special piece of art for Istead Rise by recreating a Scottish highland scene, well done!

We are immensely proud of the fundraising that Dylan has undertaken on behalf of The Ellenor Hospice, with the amount raised being a staggering £11,500. This shows that Dylan's thoughtfulness is something that he shows everywhere and not just at home or at school. The money raised will be of great benefit to them, and enable them to help and support many others. Well done Dylan (and Denis for doing the run with him) - you can be very proud of this achievement!



Art Club





Forest School

This week children in Cherry Class learnt how to tie 3 knots and lashings, a clove hitch, a square lashing and a reef knot to make a stickman and then a bridge. There was some fantastic team work going on from the whole class.



Forest School



Cherry Class have really loved their Child Led time in the Forest. They have made muddy pies, which were delicious! Chilled in the trees, made muddy faces and hand prints as well as running shops to sell all sorts of things from. The class were very good at haggling when buying and selling.



Times Table Rock Stars



W/E 11.03

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W/E 18.03

W/E 18.03

Winning Class

1st Willow
2nd Holly
3rd Cherry

Most Valuable Player

1st Tyler C of Holly
2nd Isher of Willow
3rd Kamahni of Willow

Winning Class

1st Willow
2nd Holly
3rd Aspen

Most Valuable Player

1st Tyler C of Holly
2nd Isher of Willow
3rd Harry of Willow

Mathletics

Gold Mathletics

W/E 11.03

Issac of Cherry, Kian & Amayah
of Holly & Calan of Aspen

W/E 18.03

Scarlett of Sycamore &
Brooke of Willow

Congratulations for all your hard work!

Readiwriter

W/E 11.03

Gold Readiwriter
Dylan
of Aspen



W/E 11.03

Bronze

Harry, Ezekiel & James O of
Holly, Lilly & Rylan of Willow

Silver

Seth of Cherry, Oliver M of
Palm, Ella & Alfie of Oak,
Aman & Dylan of Willow &
Hayden of Aspen

Gold

Lacie, Lily & Holly of Cherry,
Emilia of Palm

Platinum

Elsie, Isabella, Taiga & Oliver
of Cherry

W/E 18.03

Bronze

Martin of Palm

Silver

Emily of Willow, Bradley, Charlotte,
Amaia & Alfie of Oak, Jana & Leo of
Aspen, Alice & Niamh of Holly

Gold

Jude & Abigail of Cherry, Nihaal of
Palm

Platinum

Isaac of Cherry

Diamond

Mia of Cherry

WOW!

WOW!

Core Values



Week Ending 11.03

Acorns Class

Sophie for Independence & Bobby & Samantha for Respect

Oak Class

Dolly for Independence & Charlotte for Self Reflection

Palm Class

**Nihaal for Self Reflection &
Cooper M for Independence**

Sycamore Class

Carter & Scarlett for Independence

Cherry Class

Jack & Charlie W for Independence

Willow Class

Emily & John for Perseverance

Holly Class

Isabella T & Ezekiel Perseverance

Aspen Class

Lucy for Perseverance & Jake for Independence

Week Ending 18.03

Acorns Class

Chace for Independence

Oak Class

Saskia & Henry for Self Reflection

Palm Class

Katelyn for Respect & Shae for Independence

Sycamore Class

Kasey for Perseverance & Thomas for Respect

Cherry Class

Holly & Taiga for Self Reflection

Willow Class

Brandon & Fraser for Independence

Holly Class

Alice & Isabella B for Independence

Aspen Class

Harvey for Self Reflection & Brooke for Perseverance

***Congratulations to all of our
winners!***

Let's see what's for lunch..

**Week 3
W/C 21st
March**

Meat Free Monday (MF)

Meat Free Monday is a great way to improve health and well-being by naturally increasing your vitamin and mineral intake. One day a week can make a real difference - www.schoolfoodplan.com

MF Monday	Main Meals	Vegetables
	Margarita Pizza with Potato Salad V	Sweetcorn & Green Beans Ve
	Sweet Potato & Vegetable Dhal with Rice Ve	Dessert
	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans Ve or Cheese V	Cinnamon & Sultana Bread & Butter Pudding with Custard Ve

Tuesday	Main Meals	Vegetables
	Beef Burger in a Bun with Oven Baked Wedges	Peas Ve & Coleslaw V
	Vegetarian Burger in a Bun with Oven Baked Wedges Ve	Dessert
	Pasta with Tomato & Basil Sauce Ve	Marble Sponge with Custard V

Wednesday	Main Meals	Vegetables
	Roast Chicken Fillets in Tomato Sauce with Roast Potatoes	Carrots & Cabbage Ve
	Chick Pea & Cauliflower Bake with Roast Potatoes Ve	Dessert
	Wholemeal Pasta with Cheese Sauce V	Waffles with Berry Compote V

Thursday	Main Meals	Vegetables
	Chicken & Beef Sausage with Mashed Potato & Gravy	Broccoli & Sweetcorn Ve
	Vegan Mince & Vegetable Pie topped with Mashed Potato Ve	Dessert
	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayonnaise or Cheese V	Carrot Cake V

Friday	Main Meals	Vegetables
	Oven Baked Fish Fingers with Oven Baked Chips	Baked Beans & Peas Ve
	Vegetable Fingers with Oven Baked Chips Ve	Dessert
	Pasta with Tomato & Basil Sauce Ve	Pear & Berry Crumble Ve with Custard V

Freshly Baked Bread:

Pumpkin & Carrot V Wholemeal V

Week 1:

1st Nov, 22nd Nov, 13th Dec, 3rd Jan, 24th Jan, 14th Feb, 7th Mar, 28th Mar

MF Monday	Main Meals	Vegetables
	Mac n Cheese with Garlic Bread V	Broccoli Florets & Carrots Ve
	Vegetable & Bean Stew Ve with Garlic Bread V	Dessert
	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayonnaise or Cheese V	Homemade Fruit Yoghurt V and Fresh Fruit Platter Ve

Tuesday	Main Meals	Vegetables
	Chicken Fajita with Rice	Green Beans & Sweetcorn Ve
	Vegetable Fajita with Rice Ve	Dessert
	Wholemeal Pasta with Cheese Sauce V	Sticky Toffee Pudding with Toffee Sauce V

Wednesday	Main Meals	Vegetables
	Lemon & Thyme Roast Chicken Fillets with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Cauliflower & Peas Ve
	Sweet Chilli & Vegetable Stirfry Noodles V	Dessert
	Jacket Potatoes with Baked Beans Ve or Cheese V	Orange & Lemon Drizzle Cake Ve

Thursday	Main Meals	Vegetables
	Sweet Potato Topped Cottage Pie	Carrots & Cabbage Ve
	Spinach, Courgette & Feta Filo Tart with Mashed Potato V	Dessert
	Pasta with Tomato Sauce Ve	Cherry Cookie Ve

Friday	Main Meals	Vegetables
	Battered Fish Fillets with Oven Baked Chips	Baked Beans & Peas Ve
	Vegan Bean Burrito with Oven Baked Chips Ve	Dessert
	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans Ve or Cheese V	Chocolate & Courgette Sponge with Chocolate Sauce V

Freshly Baked Bread:

Courgette, Oat & Thyme V Wholemeal V

Week 2:

8th Nov, 29th Nov, 20th Dec, 10th Jan, 31st Jan, 21st Feb, 14th Mar, 4th Apr

MF Monday	Main Meals	Vegetables
	Quorn Sausages with Potato Wedges V	Peas & Cauliflower Ve
	Squash & Butterbean Curry Ve with Naan Bread V	Dessert
	Pasta with Tomato & Basil Sauce Ve	Homemade Fruit Yoghurt V and Fresh Fruit Platter Ve

Tuesday	Main Meals	Vegetables
	Beef Chilli Con Carne with Rice	Sweetcorn & Carrots Ve
	Vegan Chilli Con Carne with Rice Ve	Dessert
	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayonnaise or Cheese V	Banana Flapjack Ve

Wednesday	Main Meals	Vegetables
	Herby Roast Chicken Fillets with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Green Cabbage & Roasted Root Vegetables Ve
	Vegan Sausage Loaf with Roast Potatoes & Gravy Ve	Dessert
	Wholemeal Pasta with Creamy Salmon or Cheese Sauce V	Maryland Sultana Cookie V

Thursday	Main Meals	Vegetables
	Turkey Vegetable Casserole with Pasta	Green Beans & Carrots Ve
	Roasted Ratatouille Pasta Bake V	Dessert
	Jacket Potatoes with Baked Beans Ve or Cheese V	Vanilla Shortbread Ve with Homemade Lemon Curd V

Friday	Main Meals	Vegetables
	Oven Baked Fish Fingers with Oven Baked Chips	Baked Beans & Peas Ve
	Spinach & Tomato Pastry Pocket with Oven Baked Chips V	Dessert
	Pasta with Cheese Sauce V	Chocolate & Beetroot Brownie V

Freshly Baked Bread:

Sunflower, Rosemary & Tomato V Wholemeal V

Week 3:

15th Nov, 6th Dec, 27th Dec, 17th Jan, 7th Feb, 28th Feb, 21st Mar

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

Available Every Day

Fresh Fruit Platter Ve
Homemade Fruit Yoghurt V

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.

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