

### **Collective Worship:**

This week our fantastic Year 6 Leading Lights planned and led their own collective worship. The children selected the theme of "Leadership", looking at a range of famous leaders through history and then looking at how Jesus shows leadership throughout his life. The children illustrated this by sharing "the wedding in Cana" demonstrating how water was turned into wine with their own special trick, then looked at "Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem", which brought us neatly onto the Easter Story. It was a great worship and so wonderful that the leading lights delivered it with such confidence. They were incredible- well done everyone!

In Year 5, the children were given the opportunity to lead worship with Revd. Tim on Monday whilst Year 6 attended their storyteller workshop. The children did a magnificent job - well done!

### **Mrs Boiling**

On Tuesday, the whole school gathered to say thank you and farewell to Mrs Boiling. The children have received so much care from her over the years, and all classes helped to create her very own first aid box, filled with messages and keepsakes. Mrs Boiling was delighted to receive messages and gifts from children, staff and parents alike. The outpouring of love for her is testament to her love and dedication to the school.

### **Thank you Mrs Daniels**

This year's World Book Day events concluded with the children receiving storyteller workshops on Monday. The children have thoroughly enjoyed all the events this year, which were organised by Mrs Daniels. I know that you will join me in thanking Mrs Daniels for all her hard work and her passion for promoting a love of reading.

### **A reminder**

A gentle reminder to parents that the pathway leading up to the rear Junior Playground is a road leading to several properties and is therefore an access route for cars. Please ensure that children are closely monitored at all times. Thank you.

### **Nurture**

At Ide Hill School, it is extremely important to us that we nurture all within our community so that every adult and child has the opportunity to flourish. There was great excitement recently when we recently added a 'nurture nook' in the main corridor for all to access.



This lovely space was created by Mrs White and Mrs Daniels and is already making a difference to the children. As you can imagine, it has been extremely popular and has received many visits. Thank you to Mrs White and Mrs Daniels for this wonderful addition to our school environment.

### **Fundraising for Saplings**

One of our young children in Saplings has decided that he would like to help raise funds for the Saplings classroom by taking part in a sponsored 5km walk on the 7<sup>th</sup> April. Good Luck Freddie!

If you would like to donate, the link to Freddie's fundraising page is below.

[https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/freddiesmith?utm\\_id=1&utm\\_term=Z7kNWpZDr](https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/freddiesmith?utm_id=1&utm_term=Z7kNWpZDr)

### **Farewell to Dave the Postman**

As some of you may know, our local Postman Dave retired last week and the children made him a wonderful 'Jolly Postman' card filled with lots of lovely drawings inside.

Dave sent us a message of thanks *"To the staff and children at Ide Hill School. I would like to thank you for the wonderful artwork and best wishes that you sent me on my retirement. I will miss all the lovely people of Ide Hill. Best wishes, Dave your postman of many years!"*

**Nature School**

What a fun week the children had at Nature School - were learned about the Celtic Goddess Ostara - who brings Spring as she awakens and the children had a great time making Spring crafts and collecting chocs!

- In Y4 and Y5 the children had to compete a selection of challenges to earn their Easter Egg prize - they crossed a swamp, made rope shapes and herded blind sheep!
- Both YR and Y1 were supported by their buddies in Y5 and Y6 respectively to make a Spring treasure and to search for treasures too - it was gorgeous to see them all working together.
- Y3 had to earn their eggs in different challenges - including egg and spoon pass along, mini egg target shot. They achieved a pretty good stack by the end of it!

Many thanks to the PTA for the chocs that the children enjoyed winning.

Have a fabulous holiday and be sure to spend some time out in nature come rain or shine.



**Dates for your diary**

**Back to School – Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023**

**Happy Birthday!**

Logan F

<b>Saplings</b>	<p><b>Luca</b> - Well done for remembering the names of our 3D shapes this week in Magic Maths!</p> <p><b>Alex</b> - We love your enthusiasm for reading! Well done and keep it up!</p>
<b>Elms</b>	<p><b>William C</b> - For showing such kindness towards your friends and for always looking after those around you.</p> <p><b>Miley</b> - For really working hard on your writing targets this week. You have shown real determination and a great attitude to your learning.</p>
<b>Beech</b>	<p><b>Ralph S</b> - For always challenging himself and asking interesting questions.</p> <p><b>Sidney</b> - For being super focussed in maths and really persevering. Keep it up!</p>
<b>Willows</b>	<p><b>Jayden</b> - For his excellent work on his non-chronological report. He wrote a great piece on his 'Snion' a mixture between a snake and a lion!</p> <p><b>Noa</b> - For her fantastic and thoughtful contributions in our RE lessons about Salvation.</p> <p><b>Treyon</b> - For his great attitude towards his learning. He thinks carefully, always has a go in whatever we do, challenges himself and never gives up</p>
<b>Hazel</b>	<p><b>All of Hazel Class</b> - For working so hard with their writing and making massive progress!</p>
<b>Ash</b>	<p><b>Sophia</b> - For being an amazing, kind friend and always thinking of other people.</p> <p><b>Georgina</b> - For her great contributions and deeper thinking in RE this term.</p>
<b>Oaks</b>	<p><b>Grace L</b> - For her excellent ideas when writing a blog about visiting a theme park.</p> <p><b>Logan</b> - For his perseverance with fractions in arithmetic.</p>

**St Marys Sundridge with Ide Hill & Toys Hill PCC**

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*"Change, Grow, Serve "*

**Forest Church News - March 2023**

Forest Church is travelling around over the next 2 months.

**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 10.15** -Meet at Ide Hill School to follow Pedro the Donkey up to the church. There will be activities for children during the service. We hope to be outside so wear a warm coat!

**Easter Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> April 10.30** – Ide Hill Church to celebrate Easter. Come and make an Easter Garden during the service. Find things around the church yard to put in your garden. The Easter Bunny might have been busy!

**Sunday May 7<sup>th</sup> 10.30** - Sundridge Church Coronation Sunday for crown making and to see an exhibition about Royals, Rectors and Rogues!

All are welcome whatever your age, however noisy or wriggly! Wear suitable outdoor clothing.

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