

## Headteacher Message

We've had another fantastic week at Ide Hill! I hope you now have your child's learning journey, so you can see what your child will be learning this term, as well as key dates and class information.

## Highlights from This Week

Collective Worship at the Church:

This week, we enjoyed a wonderful collective worship focusing on 'community'. The children loved imagining their own communities and choosing roles such as leaders, teachers, inventors, cooks, and peacekeepers.

Assessment Success:

Congratulations to all children who took part in the multiplication check and phonics screening check this week. We are incredibly proud of your hard work and progress!

Saplings Trip to Riverhill Gardens:

Well done to our Saplings class for representing the school so fabulously on their trip. It was great to hear about your adventures and see the lovely hobby horses you made.

Events:

Congratulations to everyone who took part in the Talent Show and Swimming Gala! It's wonderful to see pupils sharing their interests and talents. A huge thank you to our dedicated teachers for making these opportunities possible - especially within a small school.

Next week is set to be another busy one! I hope you all have a wonderful weekend!

## Saplings Riverhill Trip

Saplings had a fabulous time at Riverhill Gardens this week! We made hobby horses using a sock, some straw and a bamboo stick. Then we turned



them into horses with lots of decorations. We managed to find the middle of the maze and had a great time in the Adventure Playground too!

## Lion King Production – 9<sup>th</sup> July

A reminder that Lion King Tickets are still available to book. Booking will close on the morning of the 20<sup>th</sup> June.

*Year 6 children are allocated 4 tickets per family.*

*Reception to Year 5 children are allocated 3 tickets per family.*



## Warmer Weather

Please can we remind you to ensure children come to school with hats and sun cream applied before school with the warmer weather. Please also ensure they have full water bottles. Thank you.

## Upcoming Event: Smartphone-Free Schools – A Community Discussion

Following a recent parent survey revealing deep concerns about social media and bullying, a local event is being held to explore the impact of smartphones on children and education. The event will be held on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July from 6:30–8:00 PM at Sevenoaks School. The panel will feature education leaders and experts, including heads of schools with smartphone-free policies and representatives from Smartphone Free Childhood and Health Professionals for Safer Screens. The goal is to spark a collaborative conversation about healthier tech habits for young people. To register please click the link below:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/smartphone-free-schools-tickets-1381802541599?aff=oddtcreator>

Along side this, We invite you to a presentation focused on one of the most pressing topics facing families today: social media and smartphones in the lives of children. The talk will be run by Regional Leader of the charitable organisation, Smartphone Free Childhood, Katherine Myatt.



This session will explore:

The risks and harms of early smartphone and social media use

The impact on mental health, attention, and development

Practical strategies to delay use and support healthier habits

Whether your child is already asking for a phone or you're thinking ahead, this presentation will offer valuable insight and tools to help you make confident, informed decisions.

 Date: Wednesday 16 July

 Time: 9am

 Location: Ide Hill Church of England Primary School

Please contact the office to register your interest.

Please note that this presentation is suitable for parents only and children are not invited to attend.

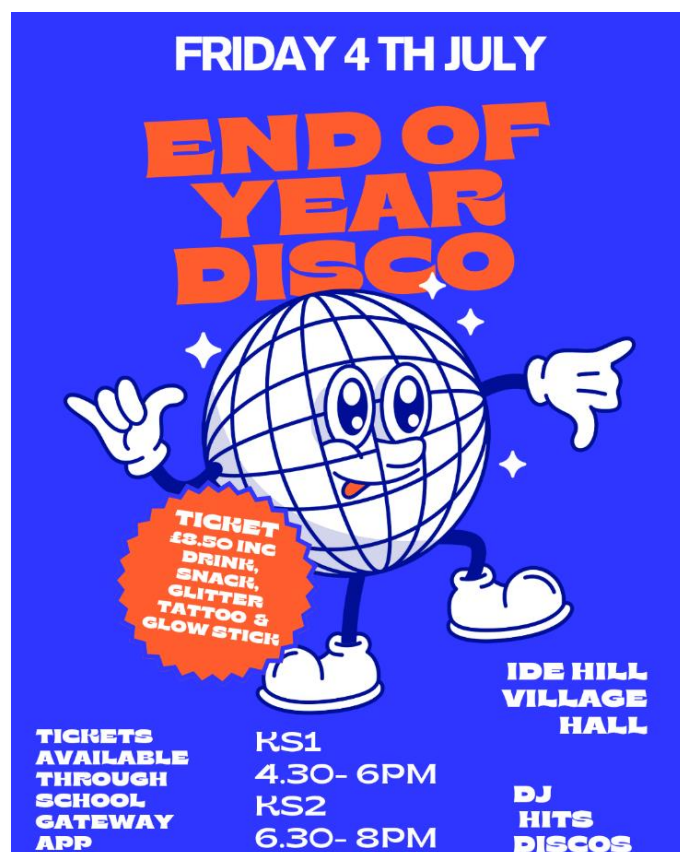
### Brilliant Ballet News

We have been informed that Fleur R in Ash Class has been accepted to the Royal Ballet School – what a fantastic achievement! This means we now have two Ide Hill Primary Scholl pupils that attend the Junior Associate Royal Ballet Programme with Noa D-G having been accepted last year. Well done girls – we are very proud of you both!

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The PTA would be very grateful for some volunteers to help with the Disco on the 4<sup>th</sup> July. If you may be able to assist, please contact Sharon Taylor. Thank you.