

## Headteacher Message

It's hard to believe we're already in our second week back – summer is starting to feel like a distant memory!

I am so proud of how well the children have settled into the new school year. Walking around the school, I've already seen some fantastic learning taking place: from focused phonics, enthusiasm in science, engagement with DT and inquisitive geography sessions. I was especially delighted to join our new Saplings class for a wonderful Dough Disco session – what a fantastic way to start the year!

A special mention must go to our Reception class, who are already showing themselves to be a brilliant, caring, and enthusiastic group. You've settled in so well – well done!

I also want to say a huge well done to our Year 6s who sat the Kent Test yesterday. It was a long day, but you all showed great determination and effort, both in your preparation and on the day itself. You should be very proud of yourselves – we certainly are.

This week, we have had the pleasure of showing several prospective parents, visitors, and staff from other schools around Ide Hill. It's always a privilege to share our school, but hearing their feedback has been especially rewarding. They commented on the school's calm atmosphere, the enthusiasm of our staff and pupils, and the strong sense of community here. Knowing that others feel the school is a great place to learn and grow makes me incredibly proud of what we are achieving together.

Thank you to everyone who attended the key stage meetings this week. It was great to meet so many of you, discuss changes in the classes, and explore how we can work together to make this year a success for all our children. For those unable to attend, the PowerPoint presentations will be sent out – please don't hesitate to come in or get in touch if you have any questions.

It was wonderful to see so many positive comments about the developments in our hall and playground. The children are loving the new spaces, and we can already see the benefits for both playtimes and learning. Our aim is to continue these improvements, making sure our school environment is the best it can be for everyone.

Thank you for your continued support. I hope you have found the annual calendar helpful, and that you have received the information about this term's and next term's clubs. A big thank you to all the teachers and parents who give their time to make these opportunities possible.

We're also looking forward to a range of upcoming KS2 events. These will provide opportunities for children to take part in inclusive and competitive activities, and to try out new experiences. Watch this space as there will be plenty more!

Wishing you all a restful and enjoyable weekend

## Roahl Dahl Day 2025



## Colour Run 2025

A reminder to please provide consent, if you have not already done so, for this year's Colour Run which will be held on the 25<sup>th</sup> September.

## Wrap Around Contact

A reminder about our dedicated email address for those who may need to contact morning or after school club when the office is not open.

The email address is [wraparoundclubs@ide-hill.kent.sch.uk](mailto:wraparoundclubs@ide-hill.kent.sch.uk)

This email will only be monitored:

- Between 07.30am - 08.30am
- Between 16.00pm and 17.30pm

Please only contact this address for urgent communication when the school office is closed i.e. late pick up/change to collection details etc.

### Sporting Achievement

We are incredibly proud of Nathan who was awarded a trophy for his Bowling Performance of the year for the Southborough Cricket Club under 11's on Friday. What a great achievement!



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## IHS QUIZ & CHILLI NIGHT

FRIDAY 3RD OCTOBER 2025 AT  
IDE HILL VILLAGE HALL

DOORS OPEN AT 7.15PM FOR FOOD AT 7.30PM



TABLES OF 6 - 8 PEOPLE  
£15 PER PERSON INCLUDES QUIZ & CHILLI MEAL  
CASH & CARD BAR (PRE-ORDER INFO TO FOLLOW)  
RAFFLE / HEADS & TAILS GAME

BOOK NOW VIA SCHOOL GATEWAY

**MACMILLAN**  
CANCER SUPPORT



The Friends of Ide Hill Church will again be hosting a coffee and cake event in aid of MacMillan Cancer Support in the church from 10.30 to 12.30 on Friday 26th September. Tea and soft drinks will also be available.

Do come along for friendship and fellowship all for a very worthy cause.

**Can't stop? On the run?** We can provide tea, coffee, squash in takeaway cups and cupcakes in takeaway boxes for you to enjoy on-the-go or when you get home.

We look forward to seeing you!

**Jane Rossi**