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Headteacher Message

Thank you to everyone for your lovely comments regarding our recent Ofsted report. Your support and feedback are invaluable as we continue to strive for excellence here at Ide Hill Church of England Primary School. As part of our commitment to maintaining high standards, we are keen to follow up on the survey you all kindly completed. Please take a moment to fill in the link below by the 7th February 2025 to share any further insights you might have. https://forms.office.com/e/MxQ8c2aNT5?origin=lprLink

Furthermore, we have merged this survey with another we were planning to distribute regarding our Vision and Values. Having been at Ide Hill for a little while now, myself, the staff, and governors are reflecting on our school's vision and values to ensure they align with our Christian Ethos and the high standards we uphold. Your feedback is crucial in this process, as we aim to refine our vision to better reflect our current practice. On top of all this, my meeting with class representatives this week will further support our efforts in developing the school in a positive and connected way. Your views are invaluable, and together, we can continue to make Ide Hill a nurturing and inspiring place for our pupils. Thank you once again for your continued support and involvement in our school community.

Uniform

EYFS and KS1 can wear PE kits on SportZone days - KS2 are to change at the venue as Mr Taylor feels this is easier.

As a school, we are having a big push on presentation and the environment. This includes taking care of our resources, making areas neat, displaying our books neatly and ensuring our uniform is correct. This includes wearing trainers.

If parents are finding issues with the uniform difficult, please do come and speak to us.

Year 5 & 6 Water Polo Tournament

On Wednesday, six children from Year 5 and 6 were invited to a water polo tournament at Sevenoaks School. It was our first time playing the sport which was kindly hosted by Sevenoaks Water Polo Club who officiated the event too. We competed against six



other schools and played really well as a team, showing good sportsmanship and overcoming our fears of the deep end to have a successful but tiring time!

Parking

A reminder to please be considerate when parking in the village. We do understand that parking can be tricky but please do not block driveways or private property, including the entrance to the school field. Thank you for your help with this.

Office Emails

When emailing the office about your child/ren, it is really helpful if you include their year group. Thank you!

Young Voices Concert at the O2

On Monday, our pupils had the incredible opportunity to attend the Young Voices concert at the iconic O2 Arena in London. The event brought together thousands of students from across the country, creating an unforgettable atmosphere filled with music, energy, and excitement.

Our choir has spent weeks



rehearsing, learning a range of songs, and perfecting their performances in preparation for the big night. The atmosphere was electric as the young singers performed with passion and enthusiasm, their voices echoing throughout the arena.

Our pupils not only enjoyed the music, but they also experienced the joy of being part of something much



larger than themselves
– a celebration of the
power of music and
the shared joy of
singing together. The
sense of community
and teamwork was
palpable as the
students from
different schools
united in song, all
under the dazzling
lights of the O2.
A huge thank you to

the staff and parents who helped make this trip possible!

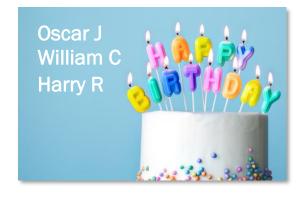


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Saplings	Axel - For your good listening in
<u> </u>	lessons and kindness you show to
	your friends. Keep it up!
20.00	Olivia - You always get on and work
	hard! This showed in gymnastics this
	week when you kept going, learning
	how to do the teddy bear roll. Well
	done.
Elms	Jack W - For your incredible retelling
	of Hermelin the detective mouse. You
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	Jack H - For your amazing story about
	Hermelin the detective mouse. You
	really worked hard to retell the story
	in your own words
Beech	Freddie - For working hard all week
	and having excellent knowledge
	about colour mixing in our art.
	Freddie painted a super picture on
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	the theme of printing using primary
	colours
	Alex - For amazing us with his
	excellent general knowledge about
	different countries, animals and
	famous people. Well done Alex!
Willows	Aria – For her great understanding
	about layers of the rainforest
	Matthew – For his excellent learning
	in Maths this week
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Hazel	Lottie - For her thoughtful and
	insightful responses in RE when
P. Carlotte	discussing what Christians learn from
	the Fall.
	Teddie - For his informative postcard
	outlining the physical and human
	features of Antarctica.
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Ash	Felix - For his excellent drawing in Art
	this week and displaying his creativity
	with the task set.
100	Fleur - For her brilliant work with long
	multiplication this week, working
	carefully and systematically to ensure
	accuracy in all her answers.
Oaks	Josh - For his excellent attitude at the
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	Water Polo tournament.
	Keyan - For his determination when
32 124 6	tackling algebra this week.