

Headteacher Message

What an exciting and productive week it has been at Ide Hill CE School!

Firstly, we are thrilled to announce the arrival of a fabulous collection of new books for our library. These include 50 must-read books for each year group, carefully selected to inspire a love of reading and enrich our curriculum. We are eagerly looking forward to integrating them into our reading sessions in the New Year, as well as the children bringing these home. We can't wait to see the children enjoy these new stories.

A big thank you to everyone who attended Parents' Evening this week. It was a wonderful opportunity to celebrate your children's hard work and discuss their progress. Knowing where your child is in their learning journey is crucial for their development, and it was lovely to share their achievements with you. A heartfelt thank you also goes to our dedicated teachers for their hard work in preparing for these evenings and staying late to ensure you had valuable time together.

This week has been a chilly one! Please remember to wrap up warm as temperatures continue to drop.

Hats, gloves, and scarves are key to keeping the children cozy during outdoor play and learning.

We also hosted another positive open morning, which included highly commended tours led by our Year 6 children. Their enthusiasm, knowledge, and pride in their school shone through—well done, Year 6!

Governors have been actively involved in monitoring across the school this week, including speaking to children about their experiences with attendance and behaviour. It was wonderful to hear how confident the children are in knowing they can talk to adults and that issues are swiftly and effectively dealt with.

As we approach the festive period, there is still much to look forward to in the coming weeks. We will continue to keep you updated with all the exciting activities planned. There is also a parent rep meeting next week, so please do pass anything onto your class reps (both positive which we always love to hear and things we can explore further)

Thank you for your continued support and have a great weekend!

Road to Wembley Football Event

Children from Year 5 and 6 had the fantastic opportunity to attend the NLT Cup hosted at Tonbridge Angels. They braved sub-zero conditions and thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to play in a real stadium! The children showed excellent sportsmanship and represented the school brilliantly. Mr Howse and Miss Cain are very proud of them.

Christmas Craft Event

On the 17th December we will be having a whole school Christmas Craft Event where all of the children in their houses will be making and creating a variety of different Christmas things. We would like parents to help out with this event if possible so please do let us know you can help out at all on the day. If you have a fantastic crafty idea and would like to lead one of the 4 Christmas craft sessions then please come in and speak with Miss Alexander. Thank you!

PTA Update

Get into the festive spirit with a wreath-making workshop! Join us for a fun and creative session while enjoying a glass of fizz and a mince pie. The workshops will take place on 1st and 2nd December. To ensure we have everything ready for the event, please book your place by this weekend. You can book via gateway. Thank you and we look forward to seeing you there!

You're invited to join us for the PTA Christmas drinks on Friday, December 13th at Ye Old Crown, Edenbridge. Come and enjoy some festive fun – we would love to see you there!

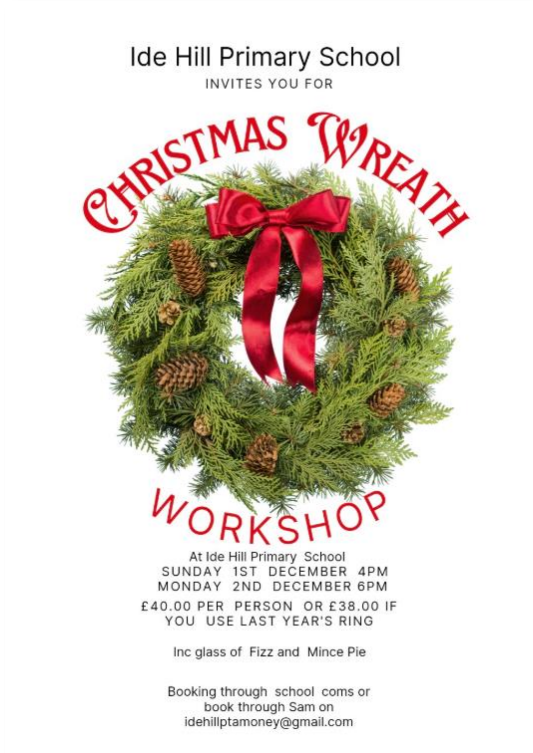
Calling all budding artists and designers







The Cabinet Member for Education and Skills, Rory Love OBE, would like the primary children in Kent, to submit a festive design to feature on his annual Christmas card. The design should be square and covering a space 15.5cm square. However, there should be no critical features or design elements within 1cm of the top, right, or bottom edge. By 'critical', this means text or images that are essential to the design. This is because during trimming by the printer to the final size, some features within the 1cm margin could be lost. It is OK to have a general background design, or non-specific or repeated features running right up to the edge.

Designs should be completed by Friday 6th December at the latest. Designs should be submitted by email to Rory.Love@kent.gov.uk as a scanned jpg file, or a photograph of the design. Each entry should be accompanied by the child's first name, their year, and the school's name.

Christmas Trees

Montreal Estate are donating our Christmas tree again this year and they will have be having their Christmas tree sale on 1st December at 9am - 12noon. Collection from Penn Farm - £8 per foot.



<p>Elms</p> 	<p>Phoebe - For your incredible description about Rapunzel. You used full stops, capital letters and fantastic descriptive language!</p> <p>Remy - For always trying so hard to do your best, and for giving 100% to all of your learning. You have also shown us how helpful and responsible you can be.</p>
<p>Beech</p> 	<p>Charlie - Excellent progress with reading and answering questions about the book.</p> <p>Finn - For his excellent focus on presentation and using super growth mindset to answer some tricky questions in maths.</p>
<p>Willows</p> 	<p>Alice H - For her kindness, patience and respect for others. She shows this in many ways but is especially good at helping others when they are feeling sad or need help</p> <p>Oscar - For an excellent anti-bullying poster which will help others to understand what bullying is and why we shouldn't do it.</p>
<p>Hazel</p> 	<p>Erin - For settling in so well to Hazel Class and for working very hard across the curriculum. We couldn't imagine the class without you</p> <p>Freya - For always being so kind and supportive to her friends and for her fantastic work in Maths on column subtraction. Well done!</p>
<p>Ash</p> 	<p>Harry - You were wonderfully engaged with our Geography work this week. You shared some interesting facts and demonstrated great knowledge on time zones.</p> <p>Matilda - You show great independence and commitment in your learning. You have worked carefully through challenges, developing your story ideas at home to expand your work in school ~ thank you for your enthusiasm and contributions.</p>
<p>Oaks</p> 	<p>Wilbur - For his careful editing of his Hansel and Gretel story</p> <p>Elliott - For his considered questions in our lesson about plant adaptations</p>

Next Week	
25 th November	Hazel to Bore Place
25 th November	Girls Football Tournament
26 th November	Year 5 Chess Competition
27 th November	KS2 Interhouse Netball – Please wear PE Kits