19th September 2025

Headteacher Message

What a whirlwind of a week it's been here – the days are just flying by! I wanted to take a moment to share some of the wonderful things happening around our school and celebrate the fantastic efforts of all our pupils. Walking around the classrooms this week, I've been so impressed by the enthusiasm and engagement from all the children. It's always a joy to see those special moments when something "clicks" – especially when a child says, "I can't do it," and then suddenly, with a little perseverance, they do!

Saplings have been busy exploring their room, getting creative at the craft table – there's always so much imagination on display, and their self-portraits are delightful.

Elms have wowed us with their lovely writing, using some brilliant adjectives to describe a picture in their story.

Beech and Willows have been tackling partitioning numbers and solving tricky problems, showing fantastic perseverance and problem-solving skills.

Hazel have been working hard on their increasingly challenging spellings, finding new ways to learn and remember them.

Ash have been embracing maths challenges, especially those linked to place value.

Oaks have produced some fantastic writing connected to their class text – it's wonderful to see their ideas come alive on the page and to hear them confidently talk about their learning.

One of my favourite parts of the week is joining in with whatever learning is happening, whether that's puzzling over a complex maths problem or joining a creative treasure hunt!

It's also brilliant to see all our clubs up and running again. The children are making the most of the different opportunities available, and it's lovely to hear about their experiences. We also love to hear about your children's achievements outside of school. Whether it's a competition, exam, creative project, or a challenge you've taken on as a family, please share your successes with us. You can email them in or pop a note in your child's bag, and we'll celebrate them in our newsletter and at our celebration assembly.

I'd also like to take a moment to celebrate Mrs Harland and Mrs Warner, who have worked incredibly hard in preparation for a Kent audit that took place this week. As expected, they did incredibly well – we are very fortunate to have them as part of our team! Don't forget, next Thursday is our Whole School Colour Run! We'd love as many families as possible to join in – bring your trainers and get ready for a fun and colourful afternoon. Our PTA will be providing refreshments, so it's a great chance to catch up with other families and enjoy the community spirit.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend. Thank you for your ongoing support – we look forward to seeing everyone next week!

Playhouse SOS

We wondered whether someone might be willing/able to repair our small playhouse in the front playground. We have some roof missing and needs a bit of general TLC. If you think you may be able to help please contact the office. Thank you!



Colour Run 2025

A reminder to please provide consent, if you have not already done so, for this years Colour Run which will be held on the 25th September.

Beech History Topic

In year 2 for History this term we are learning about schools in the past. We are focusing on what Ide Hill School used to be like and wondered whether there are any past pupils who would be willing to come and talk to the class about their experience at Ide Hill. Please email the office if you think you can help.

Instagram

Follow us on our new Instagram Page: idehillprimaryschool





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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