



Ash class

During Art last term, Ash class experimented with colours, patterns, lines, shapes and textures to express their creativity and design an outfit for a footballer to wear to a Ballon d'Or evening. The brief was that it had to relate to Space. Mrs Hodgon, who has a background in design, guided the children to dig deep into their creativity and design the most wonderful outfits.



She taught them how to make visual notes, create different layers of art, and encouraged them to play around with textures which they then turned into wonderful outfits.

We are really proud of the work that the children have produced and as a result, Mrs Mouton would like to invite Ash Class parents to come and see these wonderful creations on the 11 & 12 March in the classroom after school.

Elms Class News

Its been a good week for STEM in Elms this week! We started the week creating our own solid and waterproof houses in science. We tested their strength with a 'hurricane' and tested to see how waterproof they were by pipetting water on the roof. In computing, we created pictograms to show the results of throwing a dice 20 times. It was interesting to see how much easier it was to see the information in a graph than in a list.



On Thursday, Elms and Beech travelled to Sevenoaks school for an amazing and inspiring practical

demonstration on energy and how it is in everything! There were explosions, rockets fired into the audience and flammable bubbles! We absolutely loved it and it has inspired us to want to ask lots of questions to find out more.

Oaks Class Parents

Thank you for taking the time to come and view the children's 'Activism' artwork; the children took over fifteen hours to complete this from start to finish and were incredibly proud of the finished articles. I hope you agree that all the hard work and hours paid off.



Online Safety Workshops

On Friday the 9th February we were visited by for some Safer Internet workshops and assemblies. In our workshop we learnt about online bullying and what to do if this ever happened to us. We found out that we should take a screenshot, show a trusted adult and that we can always ask a friend for advice if we are not sure what to do next.



We also learnt that there are age rating for social media, apps and games and the reasons why the age ratings are put in place. We looked at different scenarios that we might come across at either primary or secondary school and acted out what we could do in these situations. We also had an opportunity to listen to examples of things that might happen and offer our advice to everyone on what action they should take. It was a really good workshop and we learnt lots about staying safe online! Thank you to all our parents and the PTA for paying for this day.

By Summer and Darcy

After School Club

Just a reminder that, from Monday 4th March, after school club will be moving to the Fletcher French building (year 5 and 6 classrooms). Please collect the children via the junior playground gate. Please use the dedicated email address if you need to contact morning or after school club when the office is not open. The email address is wraparoundclubs@ide-hill.kent.sch.uk This email will **only** be monitored between 07.30am - 08.30am and 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.

Parent Evening Appointments

Please be aware that the school office has now contacted all parents regarding how to book your appointment with your child's class teacher.

Upcoming School Dates for Your Diary	
7 th March	World Book Day 2024
11 th March	Open classroom – Ash class parents
12 th March	NHS Shooting Star Performances Open classroom – Ash class parents
15 th March	Red Nose Day
19 th March	Parent Evening Appointments
21 st March	Parent Evening Appointments
28 th March	End of Term

Saplings	<p>Emma - For your focus in PE! You are improving your throwing and catching skills by listening to instructions and really working hard. Well done!</p> <p>Mia - We love how you are able to explain your maths reasoning so your friends can understand when they get stuck!</p>
Elms	<p>Lucas - For working so hard with your partner to produce a model house in science with solid walls and a waterproof roof!</p> <p>Finn - For working so hard with your partner to produce a model house in science with solid walls and a waterproof roof!</p>
Beech	<p>Oscar - For making super progress with his reading.</p> <p>Lilly - For writing an excellent postcard using conjunctions</p>
Willows	<p>Sophie - For her excellent understanding and calculating when dividing a number.</p> <p>Rory - For his great contribution to our first discussion about the Romans</p>
Hazel	<p>Noa - For her amazing, rhyming metaphor and simile poem. Fantastic work, Noa!</p> <p>Max - For his insightful and reflective contributions in RE. He challenges us all to consider life's 'big questions'.</p>
Ash	<p>Felix - For the energy he brings to the class and his zealous participation in every learning area.</p> <p>Wilbur - For his enthusiastic participation in English lessons and his well-written Persuasive Letter.</p>
Oaks	<p>Freya - For her thoughtful analysis of images of The Blitz from WW2</p> <p>Cora - For combining a sentence with both a semi-colon and subordinating conjunction in</p>



St Marys Sundridge with Ide Hill & Toys Hill PCC Forest Church News – March 2024

Sunday March 10th: 10.30 at Ide Hill Church for Mothering Sunday. We will be outside thinking about who cares for us and preparing something for our “carents”.

Sunday 24th March: 10.00 at Ide Hill for Palm Sunday. Meet Pedro at Ide Hill School ready to process up to the church. Forest Church will follow in the churchyard.

Easter Sunday 31st March: 6.30 am at Ide Hill for Sunrise FC!!!! Meet in the church yard around a fire pit to greet the dawn and find the first Easter eggs of the day!

All are welcome whatever your age, however noisy or wriggly! Please wear suitable outdoor clothing.

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In February, Forest Church met at a farm in Brasted. We thought about God’s creation and thanked Him for all the creatures, remembering that it’s our responsibility to care for them. We welcomed 21 people to the barn, some of whom hadn’t been to a Forest Church session before. We visited the calves. They were as interested in us as we were in them! The children asked lots of questions too. It’s never too cold to eat ice-cream, especially when it’s made from the Jersey cows. Food yards, not food miles!



David had set out some hay bales in the barn for us to sit on so, when the serious task of eating ice-cream had been accomplished, the children with their new-found energy chased each other up, over and round the bales. It was a delightful visit and special thanks to Muriel, David and James Edgar for inviting Forest Church.

