# Iver Heath Junior School Newsletter

It's so hard to believe that this academic year is coming to an end already; we only have 2 weeks and 2 days to go now and we have such a lot to pack into these days. Year 6 are busy preparing their end of year performance, which promises to be another amazing production—their comic timing is superb! The rest of the school have been completing their learning reviews this week and we are all so proud of the progress we can see that our learners have made.

I have been so proud, as usual, of our resilient children and how they have coped with our unusually high temperatures lately. It was unfortunate that we had to close early last week but some of our rooms were just far too hot to be in with temperatures of 34°. I would like to thank all of our school community for your understanding and support and for allowing us to spray water on them on Friday—that was such good fun and the children loved it. You can see some of the pictures over the page.

I do also feel that I need to make it clear to any parents who, last week, gave the reason for keeping their children off of school for 4 days (8 sessions) as '*because of the heat* ', that these absences were un-authorised. Please see this section from our attendance policy.

*To ensure consistent delivery of penalty notices the following criteria will apply:*

• *if there have been at least 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a rolling period of 10 school weeks. A school week means any week in which there is at least one school session. This can be met with any combination of unauthorised absence (e.g. 4 sessions of holiday taken in term time plus 6 sessions of arriving late after the register closes all within 10 school weeks).*

So please bear this in mind over the last couple of weeks of school.

**Monday 6th July**

You have all received my letter stating that, due to the 1am kick off for the England V Mexico match on Monday morning, we are allowing a soft start for pupils who have been up watching the game. Pupils will be allowed to come to school any time up until 10am and their attendance will not be affected. Please bear in mind the information on the letter, and copied above, when considering your child's attendance on that day.

**Sports Day**

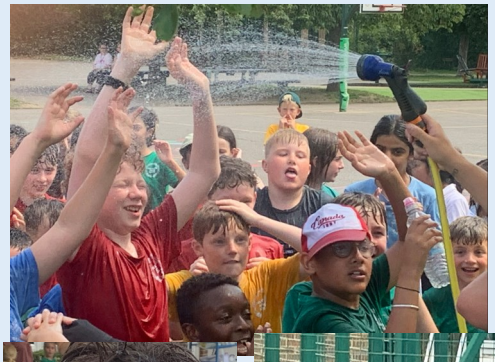
Preparations for Sports Day next Friday are also underway with our coaches training up our Olympians. You are warmly invited to join us at 9am (or after you have dropped off your little ones at IHIS) on the field for our annual house team sports competition. This will be followed by a community picnic on the field at the end of which, the winning house will be revealed. At 1pm, the children will return to their classrooms for afternoon registration. You will then be able to collect them from the usual places and leave for the afternoon if you so wish. This is entirely your decision, staff will still be in school to super-vise any children who are left and the school bus will collect the children at the usual time of 3.15pm.

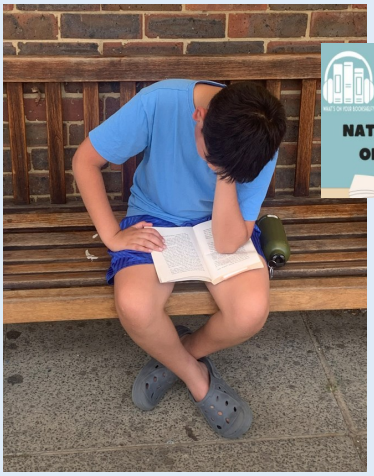
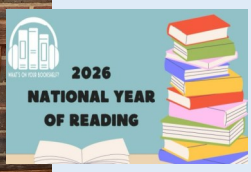
**Parents of Year 6 Pupils**

As you may well have seen in the news, the government have delayed the release day for SATs results from next Tuesday 7th July to Thursday 16th July. This is extremely frustrating for our pupils and for us, who want to celebrate them in the style they deserve.

**Transition Day**

The Bucks transition day is next Tuesday 7th July. This is when all children who will be attending Bucks schools, get to attend their new schools and, like us, meet their new teachers. Here the children will spend the morning in their new classrooms with their new members of staff. They will be completing an activity, which will be displayed ready to welcome them in September. I am sure that they will have lots to tell you about when they see you at the end of the day.



Whilst the mayhem was happening, Alfie was still proving that

**We Are Readers!**

Henry Lavender, class 5H, travelled to France last week to take part in a rugby tournament.

Last week, I went on a rugby tour to France with my team. My favourite part was playing with my friends and showing good team work. One funny thing that happened was that our car broke down on the way to the airport. We had to stay in France for a couple more days while it was being fixed. It was unexpected but we had lots of fun and made some great memories.

## Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 7th July: Transition day

Thursday 9th July: Eco-Committee Trip to Iver Environment Centre (after school)

Friday 10th July:

- Sports Morning—all parents welcome
- 12pm Community Picnic followed by house winners
- 1pm children will be registered in their classes and then may go home

Monday 13th July: Rocksteady concert: invited parents only

Wednesday 15th July: Yr 5 trip to Wisley

# Eco-News

**OUR APPLICATION IS IN!!** After months of hard work from our **Eco-Committee, Gardening/Eco-club, staff members, all the children AND the parents,** we have finally submitted our application to become an **ECO-SCHOOL**. I'm hoping we will get the results (and our **GREEN FLAG** ) before we break up for the summer– **watch this space**.

The last part of the application was the **Eco-Code** and finishing our **Eco-display**. **Please take a look at it** the next time you are in school—it has **photos of all the things we've done this year**; including plogging, habitat mapping, creating bug hotels, encouraging more bees and butterflies, walk to school week……

We had some great applications for our **Eco-Code. Thank you to everyone who completed one.**

The **runners up, with 25 housepoints** each:

| Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Bobby | Prim | Alfie | Savannah |
| Harper | Amira | Ellis | Ibrahim |
| Imaan | Gray | Harrison L | Sami |
| Cody | Aarya | Jamie | Lara |
| Ahmad | Oakley | James | Amaya |
| | Guy | Lila-Rose | |
| | Taylor | Ruby | |
| | Scarlett | Simran S. | |
| | | Terri-Ann | |
| | | Harvin | |
| | | Elsie | |

Two **special mentions, with 50 houspoints** each:

Ethan Year 5

Amaya Year 6

And the **winner**, who gets to join the Eco-Committee on their **free trip to Iver Environment Centre**:

Ranna Year 6

Ranna's code **included our school values, alongside our Action plan for achieving eco-school**. It is now on display on the Eco-Board as a reminder to all the children about how we are doing our part to help the planet.

Small daily things can make a **BIG** difference!

We are ACHIEVERS! We are a COMMUNITY! We are PROUD! We are INCLUSIVE!

# Celebration Page

3I—Yuvi—you are capable of achieving such wonderful things and you have really shown that over the last week. Keep it up, I'm so proud of you!

3H—Freya—Miss Tough and I are so proud of the progress you have made this year! Your hard work and determination has really paid off. You have been trying so hard in your learning review and this reflects in your amazing results. Keep up the hard work!

4I—Piper—I know this week has been har but you have done so well this week! I am so proud of you and your amazing attitude to learning! You have also surprised me with your pattern recognition in maths! Well done!

4H—Ewan—I am beyond proud of the maturity you have shown this week in managing your emotions. You've also shown such focus in your learning reviews. Well done!

& Cavan—for being a super role model during our swimming week!

5I—Ethan—for fantastic efforts during learning review week, particularly in maths where you showed you are definitely year 6 ready by checking all of your answers!

5H—Rylee—thank you for being an amazing role model to your class. I am so proud of what you have achieved. Go you!

6I—Prabhleen—for being an absolute superstar at PGL. She showed great resilience and perseverance in all activities. I was so proud of you!

6H—Henry A—for being a fantastic team member at PGL. He was so supportive and full of encouragement. Well done!

PE—Roswita 4I & Aarohi 5H

For your amazing batting and fielding skills!

# TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS

| Y3 | Y4 | Y5 | Y6 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Freya | Gray | Nicholas | Ibrahim |

## Weekly House Points

| Beech | Cherry | Oak | Pine |
|---|---|---|---|
| 4940 | 5074 | 4729 | 4388 |