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Latest guidance

With so many recent changes to public health guidance it may be difficult to keep up with what is currently allowed and what is not. The school receives frequent updates from the DfE and our local public health team so we will be ready and waiting to offer advice and support in relation to any school return dates should a child test positive. Where we cannot offer advice, please speak directly to 119.

Please be aware that we do currently have several cases across the school. This appears to have stabilised but the next few days will be uncertain so we urge you to keep testing using LFD tests at home. We will send work home to be completed when required. Please let the office know if you need any additional work.

We will continue to avoid whole school gatherings for the time being in order that any school wide spread is reduced where possible. Classrooms continue to be well ventilated; our carbon dioxide monitors show that windows need to be kept open to ensure adequate ventilation and as a result we are allowing children to wear coats in classrooms if required. We advise extra layers are worn to school, too.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Mike Riches

Art day

Our art day took place 2 week ago. The children were able to take part in a range of activities using the theme 'anything but a paintbrush' which encouraged them all to think differently about the ways in which they can be artists. To continue to promote this important aspect of the school curriculum, we plan to hold another art day later in the year which we hope will include the opportunity to work alongside a visiting artist to create something the whole school will have contributed towards.

Next INSET day

Our next INSET day will take place at the beginning of Term 4. This means the first day of Term 4 will be **Tuesday 1st March**. During this session, all staff will be taking part in essential safeguarding training. The only other remaining INSET day for this year will be held on **Friday 1st July**.

We also now know that the first INSET day of the next academic year will take place on **Monday 26th September**.



Celebrating achievements

Each Friday, the school comes together for an opportunity to celebrate any achievements that have taken place the week before. This is sometimes in relation to learning that has taken place in class or it might be in relation to an achievement that has taken place outside of school. There is always recognition of the progress and improvement a child may have made over time and over time all children have the opportunity to be celebrated in some way.

Since the start of this term, the following children have received recognition for their learning:

Barn Owls

Talia - effort in phonics

Theo - always ready to listen and learn and improving his presentation

Iyla - Super presentation and always wanting to challenge herself independently

Falcons

Oscar - maths presentation

Rory - writing presentation

Connor - writing presentation and positive attitude towards writing

Buzzards

Megan - neat handwriting

Flo - maths presentation

Ella - trying her best with her handwriting

Golden Eagles

Vinnie – presentation and handwriting

Ruby - presentation and handwriting

Oliver - presentation and handwriting

Term 3 dates for the diary

Event	Date and time	Information
LGBT history month begins	01.02.22	
Children's mental health week begins	07.02.22	
Safer Internet day	08.02.22	
Outdoor learning day	18.02.22	
Final day of Term 3	18.02.22	
INSET day	28.02.22	
First day of Term 4	01.03.22	
World Book Day	03.03.22	

Dates can also be found on our school website: <https://www.ironactonprimaryschool.co.uk/news/>



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Listening, Welcoming, Nurturing, Celebrating

