

Headteacher: Hayley Marshall

Summer 1 Parents' Overview

Dear Parent/Carer,

I would like to welcome you back after the Easter break; I hope you and your children enjoyed the holidays. Easter was a very exciting time for me as I got married therefore I am now known as Mrs Bowes.

This half term, we are extremely lucky to welcome Mr DiClemente who will be working alongside myself in year 5 each morning. This gives us even more opportunities to provide targeted support to accelerate progress of all pupils.

Year 5 will delve into a new topic; the Rainforest, which follows on from the Maya. From the vibrant wildlife to the importance of fair trade the children will explore this captivating environment. This half term, we will also begin looking at plants and animals including their life-cycles.

PE will continue to be on a Tuesday and a Friday, pupils are reminded that they must have their full PE kit for these days. I would, however, recommend that PE kits be left in school for the week and washed as required.

Last half term, we continued to share some of our inspiring learning experiences on our class blog and we will continue to do so. We also use our class Blog to share weekly spellings, maths challenges and homework. You can access this resource via our class page on the school website; <http://iveson-primary.co.uk/class-pages/>. We have also redistributed Purple Mash logins which is another fantastic resource which can be used at home.

If you have any queries or questions about your child's learning or well-being, please do not hesitate to contact me or, for a longer appointment, please speak to the office to arrange a convenient time. I am always happy to help.



We would like to remind all parents that due to a change in the law, we require new photo permissions to be submitted for each pupil in school. Please use the following link to provide this information: www.iveson-primary.co.uk/photos



We would also like to thank all parents for completing our Annual Parent Survey. This will close next week so there is still time to provide us with this important feedback if you haven't already done so using the following link: www.iveson-primary.co.uk/feedback

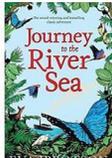
Many thanks for your continued support.

Mrs Bowes
Year 5 teacher



English

Our book, this half term, is the adventure packed **Journey to the River Sea**. We will develop our writing skills by exploring the use of paragraphs, tense choices, word classes, relative clauses, apostrophes, homophones and conjunctions. In addition to this, we will be creating explanations about the history and the making of chocolate.



Computing (computers and iPads)

Children will combine the use of pens with movement to create interesting effects. They will develop an understanding of how simple networks are set up and used.

PSHCE

Pupils learn about the risks associated with smoking drugs, including cigarettes, e-cigarettes, shisha and cannabis. In addition to the different influences on drug use and strategies to resist pressure from others.

Maths

Children will develop their understanding of measures and how this relates to everyday life. This will develop further providing the children with the opportunity to use these skills to solve problems. They will also learn about geometry (reflection, translation and angles). Children will also consolidate time by exploring this area through a range of experiences.

Music

The children will focus on singing. We will look at tone and volume as we enjoy our singing for pleasure.



Science

The children will describe the differences in the life cycles of a mammal, an amphibian, an insect and a bird. They will also explore the life process of reproduction in some plants and animals.



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R.E.

Children will explore the fact that different people have different values and deepen their understanding of the impact of values on life.

Important Information

Children are encouraged to read at home every night in KS2 with the reward of dojos when planners are signed to show this has taken place. **Reading books** are changed as and when needed. **PE kit** is needed for **Tuesday and Friday**.



DT & Art

Pupils will initially be researching Aztec drink – Chocolatey. They will then use this knowledge to design a chocolate drink using different flavour combinations and decide on final option.



Topic

Is Fair Trade important?

This half term we will be conducting a Fair Trade Study. We will be exploring the environmental impact of human activity.



P.E Pupils will develop basic fitness including strength, stamina (aerobic/anaerobic), speed and flexibility.