



INIS Newsletter

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Head Teacher Update

Happy New Year everyone! We are so pleased that our children have come back to school keen and eager to learn. We are looking forward to a busy term. Check out the learning your children will be doing in their classes.

We have a new teaching assistant in nursery, Mrs Gimmi and also Mrs Willis a TA, who will be working in both reception and Year Two.

We have three volunteers trained to support reading in year two and we are now looking for three volunteers for year one. You need to have at least one afternoon or morning to be able to regularly support in school. In return we will offer you reading training and lots of wonderful children to work with! Please contact the office as you will need to apply if you are interested. inisoffice@iflt.org.uk

Covid update

Please be aware that there have been a number of recent changes in the government's Covid guidance.

If you are asymptomatic and test positive on a LFD, you no longer need to go for a confirmatory PCR. However you must still book a PCR if you have symptoms of Covid. If you are a close contact (living with someone) of a positive Covid case you are required to daily test with LFD.

You can also test on a LFD on day 6 and 7 if you have been positive. You can stop isolation once you have two negative test results. This changes to day 5 and 6 from Monday.

Please phone to tell the office of any illness or a suspected Covid case.

Half Term Club

- **Fun 4 All are hoping to run a holiday club throughout the February half term, dependent on interest. If you would like to book your child a place, please email georgia.roche@iflt.org.uk**
- **Monday 14th February – Friday 18th February 2022.**
- **£20 per day, 8:30am to 5:30pm**

Clubs

We have a Year One multi skills already full and a Year two British sign language club full within an hour of opening!

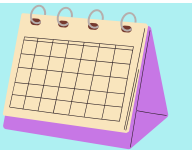
We still have spaces in our Year Two multi skills club, on a Wednesday after school. Rock Steady which runs during the day on a Thursday, still has some places for children to join a rock band!

We also have spaces for Reception in the Art Minds Group on a Thursday after school. The reception children love this club!

YEAR TWOS sign up for multi skills club with Mr Leggett!!



Upcoming Dates



[Click here for a full calendar of dates](#)

- 21/01/22 - Cricket Festival
- 26/01/22 - Nursery and Sibling Photographs
- 8/2/22- Safer Internet Day
- 7-13th Feb- Children's mental health week

Look out for more events in the new year on the school calendar by using the school website.

Healthy Mind, Healthy Body!

We have a promotion booked for next Thursday for children to have a healthy school lunch with Kingswood catering. All children who have a lunch or sample a lunch will receive a small rainbow ball to take home. We are encouraging eating healthily with our catering company and encouraging exercise both at home and at school. Kingswood cater for allergies and there are several food choices everyday. Thank you to all those parents who have signed their child up for a free school lunch next Thursday. We hope they love it!

Reception School Places September 2022



Does your child turn 4 on or before 31st August 2022?

If so, you should be applying for a primary school place to start in September 2022.

We'd love to welcome you at Irthlingborough Nursery and Infant School.

The closing date is 15 January 2022 and you can apply online

<https://www.northnorthants.gov.uk/primary-school-places>



Applying for a School Place for Nursery Children and Year Two

All parents with children **starting Reception in September 2022 or Year Three in September 2022 must apply for a school place** with the local authority by **15th January at 5pm.**

If you do not apply for a place you will be in danger of not getting a place for your child.

The closing date to apply for a Sept 22 school place is 15 January 2022 apply online here:

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OUR SCHOOL RULES

IRLINGBOROUGH NURSERY AND INFANT SCHOOL

Ready

To be ready to learn and play.

Respectful

To respect people, animals, environment and property.

Safe

To learn to keep ourselves and others safe.

New Rules

We have been working hard as a school to develop a simpler version of our key school rules. We have used research and tried and tested methods to develop new systems in school. Our School rules are now based around three key words, Ready, Respectful and Safe.

We will no longer use our raffle system to reward kindness and good learning behaviour but will use "Golden Note" certificate which will be given out for when children show they are ready to learn, being respectful or keeping themselves and others safe online and off.

In our weekly celebration assemblies children in school may receive a praise certificate for either a specific area of learning such as Maths or a certificate for keeping our school rules.

We will continue with children also earning "Golden stars" towards a class treat, which will be decided in conjunction with the teacher and children.

There will of course be sanctions and restorative conversations when children are unable to keep the school rules. We will continue to view bullying, racist behaviour and inappropriate aggression seriously.

We will work closely with parents when there are any concerns regarding behaviour in school.

Please ask your child if they come home with a "Golden Note" as they should be able to tell you why they received it.

These new rules also fit in with our new whole school programme Thrive to support social, emotional and mental health development.

If you have any concerns regarding your child, please contact your child's class teacher, who will be able to help sign post you to some support. Our family workers can also support with behaviour.



PTA

Please join us for our next PTA meeting on Monday 17th January at 9am. Come to the main office and you will be directed to the meeting.

Our PTA did a fantastic job of raising money before Christmas with wonderful presents that the children chose for parents and relatives, hot chocolate cones and the amazing discos.

The staff and children would like to thank the PTA for helping Santa get each year group some brilliant presents!

Nursery had some wonderful construction toys.

Reception had small world play equipment and construction sets.

Year One used their money for a pirate toy set, games and small world play to use in sunshine room.

And Year Two invested in lots of different types of games! Thank you PTA for all your fund raising it really helps support learning at INIS!

Safeguarding

If you have any concerns regarding safeguarding any of our children please talk to one of our Family Workers Mrs Cummins or Mrs Richards. Please phone the school office on 01933 654900 to talk with them. They work across both IJS and INIS and have a vast amount of experience between them .



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Sporting events

We are so pleased that we have already been able to participate in two inter school sporting events. The first was a gymnastics festival in which a group of year twos were able to develop their gymnastic skills at the Matrix Centre. The children all had a great time. They were fantastically behaved and were a credit to our school community for their listening, attention and gymnastic skills.

The second event was a gymnastic competition. We had four children who trained for several weeks. We are very proud that they won a medal, achieving bronze in a very competitive competition.

We invested coaching time and support to develop these skills using our sports funding premium.



Our School Rules



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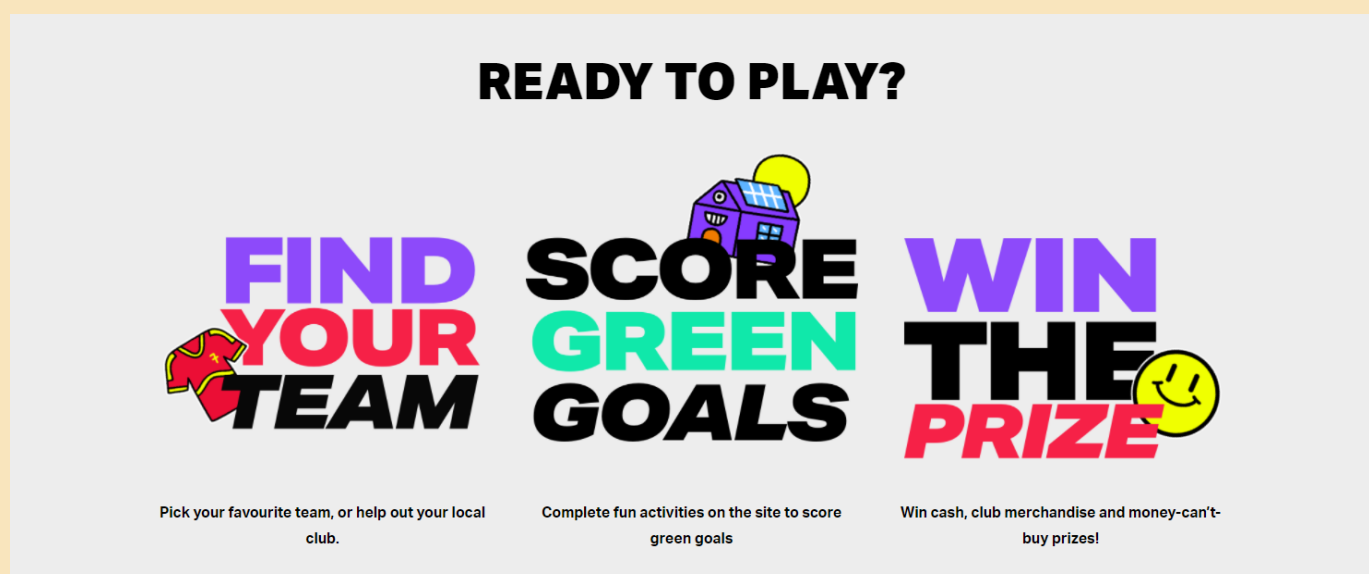
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Planet Super League

As you may have seen already, Planet Super League has begun again. It would be great if we could all get involved this time on behalf of INIS and get scoring some green goals! The message behind the competition is really important and a great way of engaging the youngest children of Irthlingborough in making positive changes to tackle climate change.

Irthlingborough Junior School are currently the reigning school champions for the number of goals scored, so we have some strong competition, but this may be helpful if we have some siblings already engaged.

- Sign up on www.planetsuperleague.com
- Enter your email address and a password
- Choose Northamptonshire Town Football Club.
- Select Northamptonshire from the search/dropdown bar
- Select Irthlingborough Nursery and Infant School from the search/dropdown bar
- Choose a fun Team Name
- Start scoring green goals!



HAVE FUN AND PLAY FOR THE PLANET



Planet Super League is a place for fans of all ages to learn about climate action and do fun things to cut their emissions – whether at home, at school or at work.