

# INIS Newsletter

## June 2022 - Issue 17

## Head Teacher Update

What a wonderful time learning about the royal family and creating amazing art. The children looked at pop art, collage, sketching and clay work. They learnt facts about the Queen and enjoyed all the different experiences over the week. What can I say about our wonderful parade, other than it was just amazing to see so many families out supporting the children! They loved their T-shirts and seeing all of you there! For those who were able to stay for the summer fete- Thank you! It was such fun! We raised around £1200 which will go straight to fund our new play equipment.

### Art Parade and Fete!

The children work hard all week to ensure they developed quality art work, including T-shirts for the parade and work to display in school.

This was a wonderful community event and we were pleased to see a town councillor and the town crier!

The afternoon carried on with glorious weather and time at the fete for fun and games. We had amazing entertainment from our award winning choir and the wonderful Born to Dance School, who put on a fantastic display on the field. I was so busy on the tombola that I didn't get to see all of the stalls until the very end of the event. It has been lovely to hear such wonderful feedback from parents and grandparents after the event. Thank you for your feedback.

It's our first large event since the start of the global pandemic, but how great did it feel to come together as a community and school family!

We were also very lucky to have a dance teacher in school to teach all our children from Reception to Year Two traditional May Pole dancing. The children loved it! It was great fun and we managed to detangle the ribbons!



### Upcoming Dates



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

- **18th June** - The Big Irthlingborough Litter Pick, starting in Parson's Green **9.45am-12 noon. All Welcome.**
- **20th June** - Year Two children meet their new Year Three teacher from IJS at INIS.
- **21st June** - Cricket take over school day!
- **22nd June** - Farm visit in school for Nursery and reception
- **23rd June - New Reception visits**
- 3:40pm - 4:10pm
- 4:15pm - 4:45pm
- These visits will be after the end of the school day. If you haven't got a slot please phone or email the office.
- **30th June - Transition Day, Nursery is closed all day** with visits only being arranged for Nursery, Reception and Key Stage One. More details to follow.
- **5th July** - Left to your own Devices - free course for parents 7pm-9pm via Zoom.
- **Sports Days** - Parents and carers are welcome to join us on the field. There will be refreshments for sale for spectators. This event is weather dependent and may be cancelled at short notice.
- **5th July - Reception 9:45am - 11am**
- **5th July - Year One 1:50pm - 3pm**
- **8th July- Year Two 9:45am -11am**
- **8th July** Doughnut Friday - orders need to be in by **30th June.**
- **21st July** - Leavers event for Year Two parents during the morning. More details to follow.
- **21st July** - Leavers Year Two disco 3:15pm- 4:20pm



You can support the people of Ukraine by donating through Just Giving to Action Aid, who will ensure help gets to the right people, in the right place at the right time. Please follow the link <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/inis-ukrainesupport>







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## First hand memorable learning

We love to offer our children many first hand experiences but there is always a real joy with a trip out of school or a special visitor in school.

The Year One children have been learning all about dinosaurs and loved their trip to the Dinosaur Park in Milton Keynes. The children had fun with science, learnt about the history of dinosaurs and even had a ride on a jungle cruise boat!

Nursery and Reception are having the farm to visit them up on our field. This will ensure the learning is fully part of their curriculum and teachers can tailor the sessions to meet their learning needs. We are very excited to have the farm back. They visited about three years ago and the children loved it.

Year Two are off to Woburn in July to see first hand some of the animals they have been learning about.

Thank you for all your contributions toward the trips and visitors as this ensures that we can organise these amazing experiences.

We want to ensure we make learning memorable and children remember the important knowledge that will help them develop in all areas of learning.



We hope that you are enjoying looking after your special school bear. We are still interested in the adventures you have with your bear!  
All our new Reception starters loved their bears!



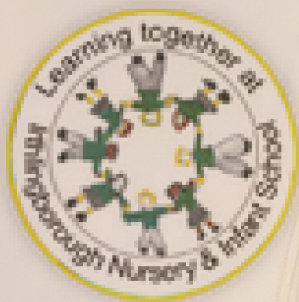
## Nut free School

Please ensure that you do not send in sandwiches or wraps with peanut butter, Nutella or other nut products as we have children with severe nut allergies. We know that many children love nut products but please keep these for home so we can keep all children safe at school. Thank you.

If you have any safeguarding concerns please contact the school on 01933654900, the local authority following the link [report a concern](#) or NSPCC report a concern to [NSPCC](#)

Our Key Stage One children have worked very hard this term already and all of our Year One children completed their phonics screening check. Those children in Year Two who didn't make the pass mark of 32 out of 40 in December, have taken the summer test too. This checks where the children are with their phonics knowledge and supports teachers planning phonics as they move into the final term of their school year and on into Year Two or Year Three. More information will follow in the end of year school report.





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## The INIS PTA update

The PTA continue to organise events after the success of the summer fete with Goodie Bags going out for Father's Day, this week.

**There is a Krispy Kreme Doughnut Day coming up soon and the Leavers disco.**

There is also a community event to do a Big Irthlingborough Litter Pick on Saturday 18th June. We'd love to see lots of our school community helping to clear up our local area.

Our PTA were a new group of parents who took on roles in September and they have worked together to ensure all the events we have done so far have run smoothly. They are tireless in supporting INIS, so even if you only have a little bit of time please find out how you can help and join in with the preparation for future events.

Look out for the work on the new play ground equipment starting the week beginning **July 11th**. We hope that all the children get to play on it before the end of term. We will certainly invite the Year Two children back to have a play, if anything changes with the schedule.

**Thank you for all your support with all our events!**



## Urgent Action Needed!

This week there was a near miss with a car trying to turn on the school access road whilst families were coming into school.

Please can I remind all parents and carers bringing children to school that the access road into the school site is not a place to park. It is dangerous as most of our families do the right thing and walk into school by either doing this from home or parking with consideration of safety and walking a little further.

**Please can those parents who have been parking on the double yellow lines on the access road refrain from doing this in the future.** We want all our children and families to stay safe. There is plenty of parking at the Cross car park. We have also had complaints from local residents regarding parking on Scarborough Street and parking in the private car park at the flats on Scarborough Street too.

**Please be considerate of our local residents and families when you are driving and parking.**



We have a very exciting course to offer parents. We are all warned about the challenges of the online world and I have spoken to many parents who have worries about different aspects of the internet. We know that very young children have access to the internet through tablets and phones. This is a one off course which offers sensible advice and practical tips to allow children to enjoy aspects of the web but also to help with safety measures.

We have paid the cost with IJS, for up to twenty two families to attend this course on the **5th July - 7pm-9pm**.

**There are limited spaces so please phone the school office and they will send you the link for the course.**

**There are free resources to support with the course, which will be distributed before 5th July.**

## Power up your parenting for the online generation

Parents have a vital role to play in helping their children use the internet in a way that is safe and positive. Despite this, parents can feel out of touch with their child's online world and concerned about how to protect their children from dangers.

Based on the book by Katharine Hill, *Left to Their Own Devices?* is a one-session, video-based resource to give parents an understanding of the online world that their children inhabit. It addresses challenges while giving practical tips on how to be a great parent in a world of screens.

**Join us at *Left to their own devices?* where we'll explore:**

- The advantages of the online world
- The challenge of time and money
- The challenge of gaming
- Conduct, content and contact
- The challenge of pornography
- Practical ideas
- Passing on your wisdom and values

Spend time with other parents discussing practical ideas and experiences



**Left to their own devices?**

**Confident parenting in a world of screens**  
A video-based session on parenting in a digital age

**When:** Tuesday 5th July 2022 from 7:00-9:00pm

**Where:** Online via Zoom video conferencing. All joining details will be sent on completion of booking.

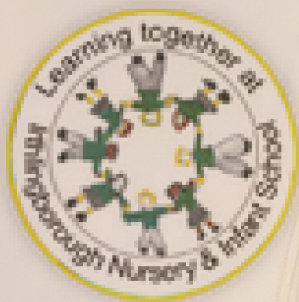
**How to book:** Please contact the Irthlingborough Nursery and Infant School office to book your place

**Places are limited - don't miss out!** A course pack including session handbook and additional resources will be distributed to all parents and carers before the event.

We are very confident that this course will be of interest and use to parents with children of any age.

We will have more courses coming in the Autumn term. We have a longer course again delivered via Zoom called Time out for Parents- Handling Anger in the Family. Again we have decided to fund this across the site to support our families.





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### Outdoor theatre returns to Stanwick Lakes!

**Sunday 26th June - Wind in the Willows**  
**Friday 1st July - The Tale of Peter Rabbit and Benjamin Bunny**  
Early bird prices available NOW, from £6.00 for a child's ticket booking fees apply

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**If you have a concern or have seen any Safeguarding issues that you are worried about, this is the school's Designated Safeguarding Lead and her deputies. Please ask at the office to speak to them in confidence or call 01933 654900**

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## Join us for the big Community Litter Pick

Following on from the success of our last event back in February, our aim is to continue to teach our children the importance of looking after our community, the environment and taking pride in our town. Even the smallest of acts, such as picking up a piece of rubbish on the way to school, can make the biggest of differences. That is why we believe that The Big Irthlingborough Litter Pick is a brilliant way to show our community spirit whilst doing our bit for our town. The litter pick will take place on **Saturday 18th June 2022** and we will meet between 9.45am and 10am on Parson's Green. We will have litter pickers, hoops, bin bags and gloves available and aim to set out for around 2 hours. If you want to come along, even for just half an hour that would be great, someone will be available to check your litter pickers back in whenever you're ready. If you have your own pickers and hoops, please let us know. Once you've finished, return your bags of rubbish and equipment to receive your certificate for completing the Big Irthlingborough Litter Pick. We look forward to seeing you there.



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