

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Term 6 is in full flow and we are so excited about the events and learning opportunities for all of our children which are still to come. Please make sure that you pay extra attention to the 'Dates For The Diary' section on the reverse of the newsletter.



### 'Tri-Science'

From Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June we held 3 days of 'Tri-Science' with our children, immersing them in scientific investigation, exploration and experimentation. Reception class explored the life cycles of caterpillars and butterflies and each child has their own caterpillar to follow the process with. This process is still happening and currently we are in the chrysalis stage (left).



Year 1 investigated animal footprints, animal tracks and different styles of camouflage that animals use to protect themselves against predators. Here (right) are two of our Year 1 children involved in a camouflage activity where the idea is to survive by avoiding as many predators as they can. Some of our Year 1s were successful, others ended up as dinner!

### 'Fizz Pop Science'



Term 6 has seen the launch of a new club at IKB for our Year 1 children. 'Fizz Pop Science' is a club that we are running through Term 6 and if successful will be a club that we look to run at this time every year for our Year 1 children. 'Fizz Pop Science' club is led by the enthusiastic and highly trained Fizz Pop Scientist, Paul, who engages the children with lots of hands-on science activities, whilst also developing the scientific knowledge of our children. The club also includes plenty of problem solving opportunities as well as opportunities for team work through scientific exploration. One Year 1 child told us: "I like Fizz Pop because it helps me realise that things I didn't think were science are actually science. It's fun investigating with my friends."

**Our IKB Attributes:**  
**We are POSITIVE**  
**We are ENGAGED**  
**We are RESPONSIBLE**  
**We are RESPECTFUL**  
**We are RESILIENT**  
**We RISE TO CHALLENGES**



**Yesterday, all Reception and Year 1 children were involved in a 'Speak Out, Stay Safe' assembly from the NSPCC, as part of our commitment to safeguarding all our children.**

**For more information please follow:**

**<https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/services/speak-out-stay-safe>**



**Our British Values that our children are learning about:**

- Democracy
- The rule of law
- Individual liberty
- Mutual respect
- Tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs



### **Goodbye Miss Evans**

It is with a mixture of sadness and pride that I write to you about one of our IKB originals leaving us this Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June. Miss Evans, our excellent Reception Teaching Assistant, was one of my very first appointments for IKB in the Summer of 2020 and she really was a ray of sunshine during those darker days of Covid. Since then Miss Evans has been a huge reason behind the success of our wonderful school to date. Miss Evans has fulfilled a number of roles during her time with us and whether it has been in her teaching assistant role, providing teaching cover for classes or providing the additional hours for wrap around care, breakfast club and after school club support, she has always ensured that she has put our children first and worked incredibly hard to make a difference for each and every one of them. For all those reasons I would like to say a huge thank you to Miss Evans, and I'm sure that as members of our IKB community you will join me in this. Miss Evans will certainly be missed by our team, however we wish her well in her exciting new ventures outside of education. Miss Evans leaves us knowing that she has made an immense amount of positive difference to the lives of IKB children and helped lay the foundations for all of them to go on to be lifelong learners. She also knows that she is welcome back any time as a volunteer! Thank you and good luck.

### **\*\* DATES FOR THE DIARY\*\***

<b>Term 6</b>	
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Teddy bear transition picnic for pre-school Nursery and Reception children.
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	IKB school and IKB Bright Sparks closed due to INSET day and staff training.
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> June	Reception and Year 1 visits to Wellington library during the afternoon.
30 <sup>th</sup> June – 1 <sup>st</sup> July	IKB Trust Art partnership days. Art project with Court Fields children and staff @ IKB.
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports day followed by fruit kebab making for Reception and Year 1 – more information to follow. Nursery – carrying out sports themed activities and fruit kebab making throughout the week.
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	IKBFC Summer Fayre from 15:15 – 18:15. This will be a non-uniform day – more info to follow.
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	'Moving Up' transition day. Morning: Children in their September classrooms with their new class teachers. Afternoon: 13:15 – 13:45 – Y1 + Y2 parent meetings for September readiness. 14:00 – 15:00 - Community picnic for all IKB + IKB Bright Sparks children and families.
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	'Fabulous Friday' in Reception for parents to learn alongside their children from 14:45 – 15:15.
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 1 1940s evening and 'sleep over' @ IKB. Children to be collected by 8:00 Saturday morning.
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	School reports going home with knowledge organisers and class newsletters for September.
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	Annual IKB water fight – more information to follow.
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	End of year class parties for Nursery, Reception and Year 1 during the afternoon.
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	IKBFC Summer family disco – more information to follow.
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Last day of the 2021-22 academic year.

As always, thank you for your continued trust and support. Remember, learning doesn't just happen in the classroom, so seize all opportunities for learning that you come across with your children.

Mr Healey, IKB Headteacher