



Diamonds Class Newsletter

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Welcome Back & Updates

We hope you had a restful and joyful Easter break. We're excited to kick off the summer term and can't wait for all the fun and learning ahead in Diamonds Class! This half term, we'll be diving into the magical world of mythical creatures with our topic '**Dungeons and Dragons**'. We'll be meeting Zog, a determined young dragon at Dragon School who is eager to be the best in his class and earn a golden star. Just like Zog, we'll also be celebrating our own Star of the Week every Friday! Don't forget to check out **Evidence for Learning** to see photos of the amazing work your children will be doing. Be sure to drop us a like on our social media pages, too! If you have any questions or would like to get in touch, please feel free to contact Bali Kaur (Head of Primary) – bali.kaur@ivy.set.org

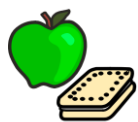
Key Concepts and Skills



Pupils are encouraged to use a range of communication strategies throughout their day, ranging from gesture, signing, TOBI's and symbols. We will be curious explorers and problem solve through building our own dungeons as well as going on a dragon hunt around school. Pupils will work on their fine motor skills by delving into sensory bins and see what spiky and shiny objects they can find.

We will be having Geoff and Leila on a Wednesday and cannot wait for our music sessions which are always fun filled!

Reminders / additional information



If it is appropriate for your child to have snack, please use our ParentPay app to pay for it. We have a range of snack options, including yoghurts, crisps, biscuits and juice.

This half term our hydro day is **Monday and Wednesday** but please send in your child's kit at the beginning of the week as we may take them in whenever there is a space. Please include a costume/trunks, 2 towels and some body wash/shampoo. Please remember to send in a change of clothes for your child each day, thank you.



Home Learning Curriculum Ideas

Cognition

We are learning about cause and effect and 'making things happen'

Could you upcycle a cardboard tube using paint, an egg box, coloured card and paint to create your own dragon?



PSHE



This half term in PSHE we will be learning about Keeping Well and the people who keep us well. Zog the dragon will be helping us with this!



Who



helps



us



keep



well?

Communication



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Does your child have a favourite story?
Can you read 'Zog' at home?
How does your child communicate at home? Do they use signing, Makaton, symbols, gestures or vocalisations?
Could you send me a video clip of them communicating on EFL?



Stories



Physical Development

Let's work on our fine motor skills this term. Can you hide some shiny objects in cornflour and encourage your child to use their fine motor skills to find them?

Can you create a Zog Sensory tray to explore with your child?



Signing

Our additional Makaton signs this half term are:



Signing



Doctor



Dragon

Daily dose of Nature



The WWF have recently launched a campaign to encourage all of us to have a "Daily dose of Nature". Diamonds will be trying their hardest to get their daily 20 minute dose to improve their well-being. It also gives us an opportunity to appreciate all the beautiful nature around us. If you take your child on a lovely crisp winter walk then please share that with us on EFL.



Nature