



Family Updates Newsletter

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Updates

We hope you've had a lovely couple of weeks and have managed to enjoy some of the beautiful sunshine we've been treated to lately! It's been a very busy and exciting fortnight here at school, filled with plenty of activities and special moments. This week, we had our new Safeguarding Lead, Alise Clark start with us. Please find a little introduction from Alise on the next page.

Over the past two weeks we've taken part in various fun activities, we've enjoyed our Sports Day, where students showed brilliant teamwork and enthusiasm. Our Reading Picnic was slightly different this year as each class did it with their new peers in the classes, however, it was still a great success! Students experienced reading in a number of different ways, including using audiobooks and a beautiful "book café" where they could choose between two different book topics without knowing the title!

Little Gems had a wonderful time on their trip to Matlock Farm Park, meeting the animals and exploring the farm. We've also held two transition sessions to help our children get to know their new classes, peers and staff members—there's been lots of excitement and curiosity as they look ahead to the new school year.

Last Wednesday, we celebrated National Thank a Teacher Day by delivering chocolates and cards to all our amazing teachers!

Please keep an eye out for more information about Parents' Evening and Arbor Pay - details have been sent to you via text and are shared in this newsletter.

Don't forget, it's not long until our Summer Fair! We're really looking forward to welcoming you all for what promises to be a fun and festive event. Have a lovely weekend, Your Ivy House Team.



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Parent's Evening

Parent's Evening is on Wednesday 9th July from 2:00pm until 6:00pm. Please follow the link below to book your appointment. Please complete this by Friday 4th July so you have time for confirmation of your appointment.

[Click here to book:](#)

<https://forms.office.com/e/dQm14yhf1e>



WEAR WHAT MAKES YOU HAPPY DAY

Friday 4th July 2025

We are inviting students and staff to come to school wearing something that makes them happy. This could be a party outfit, football kit, PJs or fancy dress.

In return we are asking for a bottle of wine for the 'wine or water' stall or chocolates for the raffle.

Your support is greatly appreciated.

Safeguarding Lead

Hello, my name is Alise Clark, and I'm delighted to have recently joined Ivy House School as the new Safeguarding and Pastoral Lead. I'm really looking forward to getting to know all the wonderful students and families in our school community.

I come to this role with seven years of experience in children's social care, with a particular focus on supporting children with disabilities and ensuring their safety and wellbeing.

Please don't hesitate to come and see me if you have any questions, concerns, or just want to say hello. I'm here to support you however I can and look forward to meeting you all soon.



Important Dates

Wear what makes you happy day – Friday 4th July
Parents Evening – Wednesday 9th July
New Class Inspire Session – Wednesday 16th July
14-19 Department Prom – Friday 18th July
End of Year Awards Assembly – Tuesday 22nd July
Last day of term – Thursday 24th July
Summer Holiday - Friday 25th July to Monday 8th September
Students return to school – Tuesday 9th September

NurtureCare End of Year



Nurture Care are kindly requesting that you provide a mail bag for your child's medications to be sent home in at the end of the academic year.

This bag needs to be sealable and have your child's name written on the front of it. This is to help ensure the speedy and efficient disposal of the medications stored in school.

Please send these in as soon as possible.



Arbor Parent Portal

As you will already be aware, we have moved to the Arbor Parent Portal & Parent App. You can update details and pay for School Meals and Snacks. If you have not yet logged in, please click this link <https://login.arbor.sc> and click 'forgot password' to create your account. The Parent App can be downloaded from Play Store or the App Store. If you have queries, please contact the school office.



Little Gems Trip to Matlock Farm Park

On Wednesday 25th June, Little Gems Class had a very exciting visit to Matlock Farm Park as a link to their topic, "What the ladybird heard".

They had a brilliant day meeting lots of different animals, including sheep and cows! They even got to touch and stroke some rabbits and guinea pigs and explore the farmyard. All students were incredible, blowing the staff away with how engaged they were!

For more photos, please visit our social media sites.



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NEW BOOKS ON THE Joy House Express

We have added new books to our languages section in the library. We now have a range of books in Punjabi, Hindi and Polish.

If any families have preloved books in different languages they would like to donate to school please let us know.





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SATURDAY 12TH JULY

11AM – 3PM

IF YOU WOULD LIKE A STALL OR WOULD LIKE
TO BE PART OF OUR ENTERTAINMENT PLEASE
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