Dear Families,

I hope this letter finds you well. I would like to take a moment to express my heartfelt thanks on behalf of our staff team for your support and kindness during our recent Ofsted inspection this week. Your understanding, encouragement, and engagement throughout the inspection process made a significant difference and were greatly appreciated by all involved. As always, our children shone and lived up to our school values.

It has been especially difficult to choose our Stars of the Week this week with all of our children shining so brightly!

Steeple Cove - Hamish Yarmer - Ethan Leas Foot - Phoebe B Sedgewell Cove - Harris Butter Cove --Jossie Bantham - Isabella A

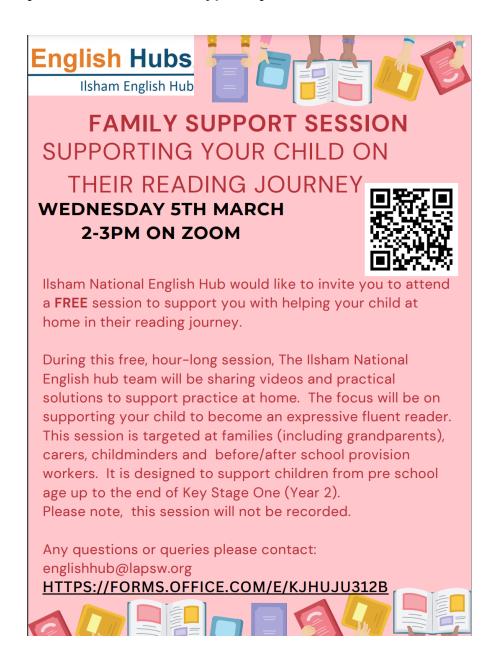
We will, of course, keep you informed once we receive the official report from Ofsted and share with families.

Best wishes,

Miss Coombe

Family Reading Session

Wednesday 5th March - 2-3pm on Zoom - Free Family Support Session - Supporting your child on their reading journey.



<u>Information about school dinners - Wednesday 5^h March</u> <u>2025 3.00pm</u>

Tasting session for parents and Carers

Please come along to our school meal taster session!



Information about the Thurlestone Premier League

Dear parents of the Thurlestone Premier League all-stars

Welcome to season 3 of the most electrifying league in world football.

Starting on the 7th March 2025 players from Bantham, Buttercove and Sedgewell cove will play 11 weeks of league football to find out who will be crowned the new, Thurlestone Premier League champions.

The teams have been picked at random, based on all those that signed up and they are a mixture of girls and boys across ks2.

The teams are now in the hands of the players. They must work together to pick a team name, captain, formation and tactics. It will be more than football; this is a chance for the year groups to come together and work together.

Teams

This year there are 7 teams of 11 a side. Each team will play each other twice.

Game time.

The games will be played on a Friday afternoon, fortnightly. Players will be reminded that this time is earned through good behaviour in and around school and getting their work completed.

The games will be 15 minutes, instead of the usual 20, this season due to the number of teams. kick off is 2-oclock, once the players have played their match they will return to class.

All 7 teams will play on match days thanks to the co-operation of all the teachers and Miss Coombes.

Substitutions

In the event that a player is unavailable for their game, a player from the other team will be asked to side-line one of their players also. The side-lined player MUST be used at half time swapping with another player from their team to keep numbers equal. In the event that one team has many players out, the match may be postponed.

Players responsibility Players are responsible for -Full drinks bottle Football/rugby boots P.E. kit/sports kit

Knowing when they are playing

towel? - some games played in March/April may be particularly muddy/rain, Mr. F will inform players beforehand on the weather for game days.

Equipment

Shin pads **MUST** be worn. Players are welcome to bring their own shin pads. The school also has some shin pads to borrow.

Weather

The matches will take place rain or shine. Only in extreme weather conditions will the matches be postponed, high winds, torrential rain, snow or icy conditions. The games in March and April are likely to result in slippery surface so studs are highly recommended, astro boots can be worn but will not give as much grip.

Rules

We will be adhering to football rules regarding handball, offside, throw ins etc. But as we have only 20 minutes per game, and in the interest of keeping things moving, we can be lenient with them

Handball - accidental handball, ball bounces up, play will be allowed to continue. If a player purposely catches or stops the ball with their hand, this will result in a free kick or penalty.

PLAY TO THE WHISTLE!

How the championship is decided

The league will be won by the team with the most points at the end of the season.

3 points for a win

1 point for a draw

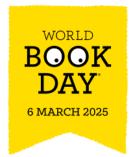
0 points for a loss

In the event that teams have the same points, then the league will look at goal difference to decide, should that be the same goals for. If the teams cannot be separated by these factors a playoff game will be played and may go to penalties. The winner of this game will be champions.

Any questions please ask come and ask

Many thanks

Mr. F





Dear Families,

World Book Day is rapidly approaching and we would like to share a few details with you about the things we will be getting up to.

Dress Up: Children are welcome to dress up as a book character of their choice. Costumes can be handmade or Kingsbridge Library are holding a costume swap. Alternatively, children can come to school in their pyjamas ready to snuggle down and enjoy a 'bedtime story' which we will be having on the day (they can even bring a teddy or blanket to snuggle up with).



Shared books: We would like to invite parents, carers or family members to come and read a story with the children. You might want to share a story or an extract with the whole school, class or a small group of children. If this is something you would like to do, please speak to a member of staff so we can arrange a suitable time during the day.

Best Wishes,

Miss Coombe