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Dear Parent/Carer

Thank you to all those people who were able to come to our new 'Open Day': we had over 50 parents and carers who attended. There were some parents who were concerned that this meant that they could only come in on occasions like this, please rest assured parents are always welcome to come in and look at their child's work. The aim of these sessions is to create more structure than was the case during the 'Learning Walk'. Thank you also for all those parents that have signed Andrew Bridgen's petition to access 'Fairer Funding' for children in North West Leicestershire.

Website

It is pleasing to see that people are starting to use the website (ibstockjuniorschool.co.uk) which has the dates for major school events on. There are also key dates on the back of this letter. The website will be where we put dates on first so please always have a check on here for dates such as sports events (in blue), parent events (in yellow), FIJS events (in pink) and general school events (in green).

New curriculum:

We have been studying new topics this term which have been very popular with the children. Following a request from a parent, we have included some possible additional homework children may want to do over the half term linked to their topic. We will do the same again next term for the new topic. The website contains details of all the topics the children will be studying this year, although we still need to add more detail to some topics.

School Money:

This starts after half term which should make paying for dinners and trips much simpler for parents and the school and avoids the need for children to bring money in. There is a link on the website for this and remember that if you still want to use cash you can do this by using one of the Paypoint facilities in the village.



Residentials

This year we will be taking the Year 6 children to PGL again for two nights in June, but in addition we will be holding a residential for Year 4 for a night at Conkers in May. More details will follow about both of these events after half term.

Next term

There will be a lot of chances to visit school next term. Year 4 will be performing 'Timelord' and Year 3 and 5 will be performing in a Christmas concert. We will also be holding a science week for the whole school where parents will be invited to come to a 'Science Exhibition'

Sportsmark

We are pleased to announce that we have now been awarded the bronze sports mark in recognition of all the sport we do in school; we will now be aiming to get the silver award this year.

Have an enjoyable half term.

Yours sincerely

Mr P Lewin
Head Teacher