# Ivington CE (VA) Primary and Pre-school

***Reaching together with the fruits of the spirit (Galatian 5:22-23)***

## NEWSLETTER: Tuesday 3rd November 2026

### DIARY DATES

**Wednesday 4th November:**
- 3.00pm Phonics meeting for Reception parents

**Thursday 5th November:**
- Diwali Dance workshops

**Wednesday 11th November:**
- 2.30pm Remembrance Service at St. John's Church

**Friday 13th November:**
- Rowan class trip to Oaker Wood
- Children in Need

**Tuesday 17th November:**
- Nasal Flu Vaccine YR - Y6

**Wednesday 18th November:**
- Governor Committee Meetings

**Friday 20th November:**
- Non-uniform day for prizes for the Christmas Bingo

**Monday 23rd November:**
- Last week of clubs

**Wednesday 25th November:**
- Parents Evening

**Thursday 26th November:**
- Parents Evening

**Tuesday 1st December:**
- Christmas Bingo at the Rankin Club

**Wednesday 2nd December:**
- Governor meeting

**Thursday 3rd December:**
- 5.30 - 7.00pm Leominster schools carol service at the Priory church

**Tuesday 8th December:**
- 10.00am - KS1 Nativity

**Wednesday 9th December:**
- 4.00pm - KS1 Nativity

**Sunday 13th December:**
- 11.00am St John's Carol Service

**Tuesday 15th December:**
- Christmas dinner

**Wednesday 16th December:**
- 2.00pm - KS2 Christmas Service

**Thursday 17th December:**
- Rowan Class visiting West Eaton House

**Friday 18th December:**
- Christmas party day
- Autumn Term ends

**Tuesday 5th January:**
- Spring Term starts

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back - we hope you have had an enjoyable half-term break!

Tempest Photography visited school today to take individual and sibling photographs. Your child will be bringing home their photography proof today, which includes all the details you need to view and order your photographs. Please keep an eye out for this coming home in your child's bag!

All children will be taking part in Diwali dance workshops this Thursday, please can **all** children come to school wearing their PE kits.

We are selling poppies for Remembrance Day in school. If you would like to support this cause, please can children bring their donations in a named purse or envelope.

We are still gauging interest for the annual Leominster schools carol service being held at the Priory Church on Thursday 3rd December from 5.30 - 7.00pm. Please let the office know if your family will be attending.

With warmest wishes,
Mrs Smith

### STARS OF THE WEEK!

Our stars of the week were:

**Cherry Class:** Isabella

**Maple Class 1:** Emily

**Maple Class 2:** Arthur

**Willow Class:** 'The Whole Class'

**Rowan Class:** Lexi-Jane

**Headteacher's:** Alex

*CONGRATULATIONS!*

**Attendance for last week:**

**Attendance Target: 96%**

**Whole School Attendance: 92.34%**

**Attendance This Year: 94.73%**

Cherry Class: 90%
Maple Class: 94%
Willow Class: 92.34%
Rowan Class: 91.36%

***Congratulations Maple Class!***

Children who missed morning registration and were marked as late: 4.12% (4 children)

Over a school year, we are due to be open for 190 days which equates to 380 sessions.

Morning registration at the start of school is 8.40am for children in KS2 and 8.50am for children in KS1. Afternoon registration is at 1.00pm.

Attendance is affected if a pupil is not present at school for any whole session including registration.

It is important that the children are at school on time every day to prevent disruption and upset to their day and for the rest of their class.

**Is my child too ill for school?**
Please see guidance from the NHS here.

**We Value Love**

I have loved you with an everlasting love; I have drawn you with unfailing kindness.
*Jeremiah 31:3*

**Rewards and Achievements**

*Congratulations to the following children.*

**Handwriting** - Ellie in Cherry Class, Lillie & Maisie in Maple 1 Class, Evie-Grace & Isabel in Maple 2 Class, Dylan in Willow Class and Ralph in Rowan Class.

**Maths** - Jasmine in Cherry Class, Charlie in Willow Class and Logan in Rowan Class.

**Emmie in Maple Class -** Rockhopper 1 Swimming Certificate.

**Poppy Appeal**

For Remembrance Day our prefects will be selling poppies each day in school in aid of the Poppy Appeal.

There are also other items for sale, such as reflectors and pencils for 50p, wrist-bands for £1.00 and snap bands for £1.50.

**Cherry Class Plea:**

Do you have any joggers or socks suitable for children aged 5–6 years that you no longer need?
If so, please drop them off at the school office.
Thank you!

**Do you think you might be entitled to Free School Meals?**

Big changes to Free School Meal eligibility came into effect in September 2026, meaning more families may now qualify for support.

If you receive Universal Credit, your child could now be eligible, regardless of your household earnings.

Free school meals can make a real difference to family budgets.

Not sure if you qualify? It's always worth checking!

To apply is quick and easy with the result of your enquiry being decided in minutes.

Please click here to enquire.

**PE Days**

Please can children wear their PE kit to school on PE days.

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| Cherry Class - YR | Monday |
| Maple Class - Y1 & 2 | Monday & Friday |
| Willow Class - Y3 & 4 | Thursday & Friday |
| Rowan Class - Y5 & 6 | Tuesday & Thursday |

**Term and Holiday Dates**

**Autumn Term 2026**
Term Ends – Friday 18th December

**Spring Term 2027**
Term Starts – Tuesday 5th January
Half-term: Mon 15th - Fri 19th February
Term Ends – Thursday 25th March

**Summer Term 2027**
Term Starts – Monday 12th April
Half-term: Mon 31st May - Mon 7th June
Term Ends – Tuesday 20th July

**Autumn Term 2027**
Term Starts – Monday 6th September
Half-term: Mon 25th – Fri 29th October
Term Ends – Friday 17th December

**Spring Term 2028**
Term Starts – Wednesday 5th January
Half-term: Mon 14th - Fri 18th February
Term Ends – Friday 7th April

**Summer Term 2028**
Term Starts – Monday 24th April
Half-term: Mon 29th May - Mon 5th June
Term Ends – Thursday 20th July

**Autumn Term 2028**
Term Starts – Wednesday 6th September
Half-term: Mon 23rd – Fri 27th October
Term Ends – Wednesday 20th December

## School Uniform

School uniform can be purchased online from School Trends at:
https://www.schooltrends.co.uk/collections/ivington-cofe-primary-and-pre-school-hr6-0jh

Pre-loved and some new school uniform, book bags and PE bags are still available to purchase from the school office.

**School Tour**

Would you like a tour of the school or know someone who does?

Please contact the school office on 01568 720216 or email admin@ivington.hereford.sch.uk to arrange an appointment.

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# REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

## Wednesday 11th November

## at 2.30pm

*All are welcome.*