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Welcome back after your half term break. We are keen to move on with our second half of the Autumn Term. The teachers have planned lots of exciting learning for the run up to Christmas. Look out for the curriculum guides to support learning at home coming out next week.



Mrs Marshall

A MESSAGE FROM MRS MARSHALL

- Make sure you have added the Christmas dates into your diaries.
- Christmas concerts are strictly two family members only due to space in the hall or classrooms for Reception.
- Reception parents please sign up for the classroom visits if you attended the English workshops.
- All families check eligibility for pupil premium to help support your child's learning. Please check as soon as possible by following **this link.**
- Our Christmas lunch day is booked with Kingswood on **9th December**. We have lots of fun on this day with the teachers serving the children for this special lunch. Please book by 2nd December. **https://www.kingswoodcatering.co.uk/**
- Please ensure **all lunch meals are booked** by midnight on Wednesday for the following week.
- Last chance to fill in our parent survey. Thank you so much to those who have already done so. We value all feedback.
- **Here's the link to the survey**

Christmas Dates

- **Tues 8th Dec** - Nursery West Lodge farm visit and Christmas experience at the farm
- **Wed 9th Dec** - Christmas lunch day! Always lots of fun!
- **Friday 11th Dec 2pm** – Reception Christmas crafts with parents in classrooms
- **Mon 14th Dec 2pm** - Year 2 Christmas play
- **Tues 15th Dec 9.10am** - Year 2 Christmas play in the hall.
- **Weds 16th Dec 9am and 2pm** - Year 1 Singing in the hall.

For our Reception, Year One and Year Two Christmas events we can only take **two people** per family in our hall due to health and safety.

- **Thurs 17th Dec 2.30pm** - Rocksteady Christmas concert in the hall.

- **6th November -** PTA event. Children can wear their favourite colour (not their class colour) to school and bring in any item for their class colour hamper.
- **13th November** - Our Kindness ambassadors have organised for children to wear a little something red or pink or something for Children in Need such as a Pudsey headband.
- **16th November** is the start of our Great mates week. We will discuss anti-bullying with our children. We invite the children to wear odd socks to show their uniqueness on this day.

UPCOMING DATES

- **Friday 6th November -** Wear your favourite colour day and bring in a coloured item for our PTA hampers.
- **9th November 2.15pm & 6pm -** English workshop for Year One and Year Two
- **Friday 13th November - World Kindness Day** and Children in Need. Donations will be split with both charities.
- **16th - 20th November -** Great Mates week (Anti-bullying)
- **23rd November 2.15pm & 6pm -** Maths workshop for Reception, Year One and Year Two.
- **Wed 2nd December -** Ensure Christmas lunch is booked! Teachers serve the children!
- **Friday 18th December -** End of term
- **Tuesday 5th January -** Beginning of term
- **Wed 27th January 9.10am and 5.45pm -** Nursery Workshop for early langauge and maths.

We have **poppies** for Remembrance Day in school. Please send in donations with your child and they can get their poppy from the office. **If you would like your child to join us in laying the poppy wreath** at the cenotaph on **Sunday 8th November,** please call the office.



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We love our school and would love to invite more families into our INIS family. Remember all applications need to be made via the North Northants portal by **15th January.** If you would like to arrange a visit to view the school please check out our **website for dates** or phone the school office.



REMEMBRANCE DAY
Lest We Forget

Safeguarding Support

We are here to help. You can contact any member of our school safeguarding team on our usual school number 01933 654900.

If you have a concern or have seen any Safeguarding issues that you are worried about, Mrs Marshall is the school's Designated Safeguarding Lead and here are her safeguarding deputies, who are always ready to listen.
Please ask at the office to speak to them in confidence or call 01933 654900.


Mrs Parsons- Moore


Mrs Marshall


Mrs Luke


Mrs Cummins


Mrs Richardson

If you have any safeguarding concerns during the holidays or weekends, please contact the local authority on 0300 126 7000 or phone 999, if you feel the child is in immediate harm.

Phonic support link on the school website.

PTA news

Our new PTA are organising their first event. We are having a wear your favourite colour day on **Friday 6th November**. Children can wear clothes in their favourite colour. We ask that children do not wear football kits, superhero costumes, or dye their hair. We ask that children bring in an item for the class colour, for example Panda's may bring in purple wrapped chocolate or Nursery may bring in a pink soap. The more varied the better! The children do not need to wear their class colour just their favourite colour! If you have time to help make up the hampers please let the office staff know.



We are also looking for a Santa for our Winter Wonderland on **10th December** - can you help?





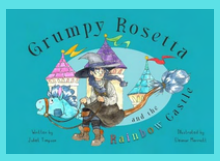
This is the correct version of the colours!

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Juliet Timpson - Author visit

The children had an amazing time with the author. She told the children all about how to be an author and told her wonderful stories, enabling all the children to join in with props, actions and words to enhance the story. We hope they enjoyed the books, which were signed by the author!





Following our parent survey, a few parents had asked for information to support with behaviour at home. Please see the article below on kind hands.



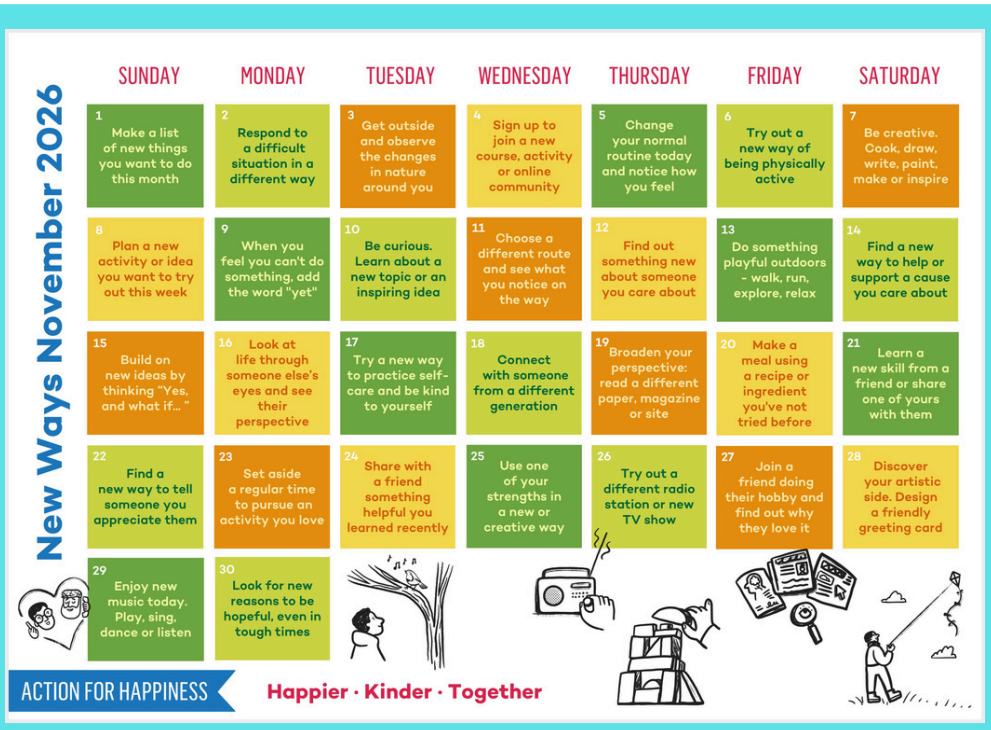
Maths at INIS

At INIS we use a Mastering Number approach to teach maths. This starts within our Nursery and progresses through our school and into IJS. We have invested in training for all staff to ensure our approach is consistent. Here's a few ways to help at home.



Come and find out more about maths at INIS at our workshop on 23rd November. If you would like more information about this appraoch please follow **this link.**







Target Online Safety Session for SEN Parents/Carers

- **Monday 9th November 6:30PM to 7:30PM**

This is open to any families living in or who have children/young people accessing education in Northamptonshire. Our introductory SEN parent/carer workshop aims to empower parents/carers or the professionals working with SEN children/young people to support them navigating the online world.

This includes understanding why those with SEN use the internet, the risks involved, how you can support them and understand the terminology they may use. We use the latest data, laws and research to inform our practice and the guidance you receive.

We also look at the pressures young people face, increase their awareness of the grooming process, the risks associated with indecent image sharing and inform you on how to report online harms so you feel equipped to support your young people.

We will cover the upcoming law changes and the potential impact it could pose.

Online Safety Session for SEN Parents/Carers Tickets, Monday, November 9 • 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM GMT | Eventbrite





ROCK STEADY

DOES YOUR CHILD WANT TO PLAY MUSIC IN THEIR OWN BAND?

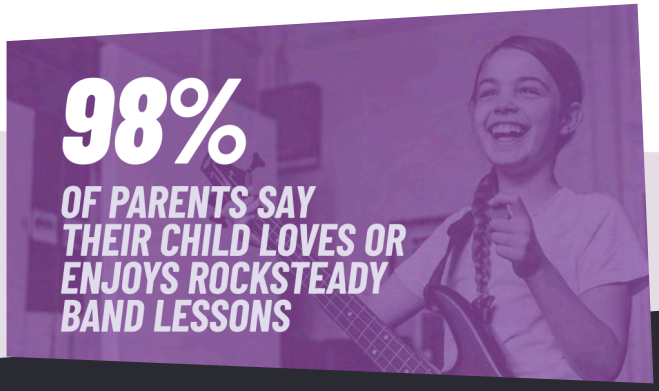


With Rocksteady, children learn to play an instrument through fun and inclusive weekly in-school rock and pop band lessons.

It's the perfect way to learn new musical skills, make friends and have a great time - all at school! There's no musical experience necessary and instruments for lessons are provided.

Rocksteady lessons are also shown to boost confidence, improve wellbeing and encourage teamwork!

Scan QR code to find out more!





0330 113 0330 (Mon-Thurs 8am-8pm, Fri 8am-6pm, local rate)

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