

ISLEHAM WEEKLY NEWS

Week commencing: Monday 17th September



HEALTHY SNACK BREAK



We are keen to promote healthy living and lifestyles. Our morning learning sessions are now separated by one healthy snack break and one run-around active breaktime outside to help us enjoy a healthy and active week in school. This new system of dual breaks is to avoid children spending the whole of breaktime eating their snack! and to enable everyone to get some exercise and fresh air at playtime.

Please note that Key Stage 1 children will be provided with a healthy snack through the Key Stage 1 Fruit scheme or may bring in their own fruit or vegetables.

Key Stage 2 children may bring in a piece of fruit or vegetable for snack-time e.g. carrot, apple, strawberries or banana. Please do not provide crisps, biscuits, cereal bars or fruit winders for snack-time. Children may of course have the first 3 items as part of their lunchbox, but not for snack.

Many thanks,
Mrs Skillern

OFF TO THORPE WOODLANDS

Our Year 6 children will be heading off on their residential visit to Thorpe Woodlands on Wednesday this week for 3 days. We are looking forward to an action-packed adventure break!

CLUBS THIS TERM

Your children should have received notification on Thursday or Friday last week of their club allocations this term- please remind your child on the morning of their allocated club(s) when they are happening and what they will be doing, and we will do the same in class. It is often difficult to round up children at lunchtime for a club if they are not sure which ones they have been allocated to! Thank you.



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YEAR 6 SECONDARY SCHOOL TRANSITION

Moving up,
moving on...

As the school year starts, parents in Year 6 will be receiving information via pupils about open evenings and events at the local secondary schools prior to making their applications for secondary school places. All our local secondary schools including Soham Village College, Newmarket Academy, Mildenhall College Academy, Littleport & East Cambs Academy and Ely College are holding open evenings and events for Year 6 pupils and parents in the near future- all dates are listed in the calendar list at the end of the newsletter. Please contact the schools directly for further information if you have not received a letter.

Applications for secondary school places must be made by 31st October 2018 for September 2019 Year 7 entry. For further advice about applying for a secondary school place in Cambridgeshire please visit the site below:

<https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/children-and-families/schools-&-learning/apply-for-a-school-place/secondary-school/>

The Suffolk application guidance can be found here:

<https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/children-families-and-learning/schools/school-places/apply-for-a-secondary-school-place-2019-2020/>

MUSIC LESSONS WITH VISITING MUSIC TEACHER MR WRIGHT

Would you like your child to learn a musical instrument? Learning a musical instrument is great fun and brings a lot of pleasure! It also encourages discipline, improves self-esteem and is a great way of making new friends! Isleham Primary School has a strong tradition of offering brass lessons to all its pupils in Year 3 and above, and offers:

FREE loan of an instrument

FREE membership of the school Brass Band

Assistance with fees (conditions apply)

All brass instruments are catered for, from **CORNETS** to **TROMBONES** to **EUPHONIUMS**.

Also, Mr Wright can currently offer lessons for the following instruments:

☑ Piano or Keyboard (Y1 and above)

☑ Clarinet (Y3 and above)

☑ Guitar (Y2 and above)

☑ Ukulele (Y1 and above)

Please see the attached flyer if you would like to find out more.



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NEWSLETTER DESIGN COMPETITION- FINAL WEEK FOR ENTRIES!



This is the last week for entries for our newsletter 'footer' design competition- the children are being asked to design a newsletter picture footer to be used throughout the remainder of the school year. The children are invited to draw a long thin picture or pictures of the school, of Isleham village or of the school children, and submit it to the competition. We have some lovely art prizes for them to win. If your child would like to enter the competition, please print out the entry form page of the newsletter and return it to school by the morning of Friday 21st September 2018. Your child should hand his/her completed entry form to his/her class teacher. The entries will be judged by our school art co-ordinator Mrs Barber on the 21st September, with winners announced in the newsletter and assembly on the 24th September. The winning design will also be included in our weekly newsletter beneath the burgundy line below! HAPPY CREATING!

CLASS ASSEMBLIES THIS TERM

Each class will be presenting a class assembly this term for family and the rest of the school at 2.45pm on their allocated date. Entry for visiting parents is via the Reception playground door. Please see the dates below and in our Diary dates compilation at the end of the newsletter:-

Friday 5th October- Year 5 Class Assembly

Friday 12th October- Year 4 Class Assembly

Friday 2nd November- Year 6 Class Assembly

Friday 9th November- Year 3 Class Assembly

Friday 16th November- Year 1 Class Assembly

Friday 23rd November- Year 2 Class Assembly

Please note that Reception do not present a Class Assembly in this first term but instead can share their work with parents on a weekly basis via their open classrooms- Thursdays after school until 3.35pm.

MARBULOUS STRUCTURES- CARDBOARD TUBES REQUEST



We would be very grateful for any donations of kitchen roll tubes, wrapping paper tubes or even toilet roll tubes in order to help make our marble runs in Year 6. Please send in any you may have! Thank you in advance.



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HOUSE CAPTAINS 2018-19

Well done to all the year 6 children who stood for the 2018-19 House Captain elections. The Year 6 children did an excellent job on Friday presenting their manifestos for the roles. Obviously, with only two places available for Captains in each house and 5 candidates in most houses, it was tricky for the school to choose...and unfortunately, some excellent candidates didn't quite make it despite an excellent campaign. However, the following children are to be congratulated on being voted in this year.:-

Amber:

Tom & Macey

Sapphire:

Kai & Michaela

Emerald:

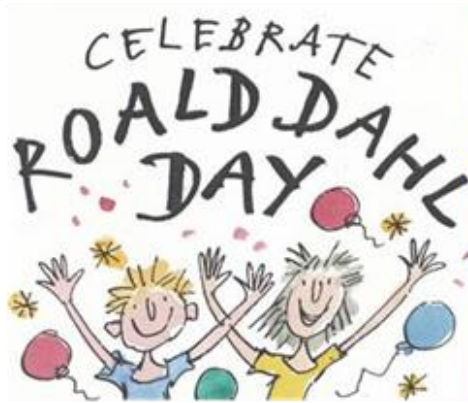
Amy & Jack

Rubies:

Evie & James

BOOK FAIR COMING TO ISLEHAM FROM 24.9.18

The Scholastic 'Travelling Books' Book Fair is coming to Isleham Primary School on 24th September, and will stay all week- please pop along to the group room after school 3.30pm-4.00pm daily to browse the books and purchase any you may want for your family or friends. The school receives commission on all your purchases so that we can supplement the books in our library with extra new titles. We hope you may be able to find some books for your child to enjoy or perhaps as Christmas presents?



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ASSEMBLIES THIS WEEK

In our school assemblies each week, we explore one of the school's Christian values and share stories from the Bible. This week, we will be thinking about the story of Noah and his ark, and the Tower of Babel.



STAR OF THE WEEK



On Thursday afternoon assemblies this year, we will be celebrating one or two children who have stood out in class throughout the week.

Congratulations to the following children for being the chosen 'Stars of the Week' in each class last week:-

Year 1- Millie for hard work in English,

Year 2- Lewis for a great start to Year 2,

Year 3- Freya Mc for always working hard and producing great work,

Year 4- Findlay for an amazing effort in English,

Year 5- Charlotte for having a great attitude to learning this year,

Year 6- Eileen for settling so well at Isleham Primary & Poppy for hard work and keen interest in all our Year 6 studies!



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MENU THIS WEEK

This week's menu options are listed below:-

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
MEAT FREE 					
Freshly Baked Bread	Freshly baked wholemeal bread	Freshly baked focaccia bread	Freshly baked ciabatta bread	Freshly baked wholemeal bread	Freshly baked garlic bread
Main Choice 1	Vegetable sausage in a tomato & garlic sauce with penne pasta	Jerk chicken with rice & peas	Beef burger in a bun with lettuce & tomato	Roast turkey with roast potatoes and yorkshire pudding	Fish and chips
Main Choice 2	Macaroni cheese	Vegetable pizza	Vegetable lasagne with garlic bread	Broccoli & tomato pasta bake with melted cheese	Vegetable fish fingers
Available every day	Seasonable vegetables Selection of salads	Seasonable vegetables Selection of salads	Seasonable vegetables Selection of salads	Seasonable vegetables Selection of salads	Seasonable vegetables Selection of salads
Desserts	Apple & Berry Sponge with custard Sliced fresh fruit	Bakewell tart with custard Sliced fresh fruit	Chocolate and orange brownie Sliced fresh fruit	Jam sponge with custard Sliced fresh fruit	Shortbread biscuit Sliced fresh fruit

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday 19th to Friday 21st September- Year 6 Residential visit to Thorpe Woodlands

Thursday 20th September- 6.30pm-8.30pm- Newmarket Academy Open Evening for Year 6 pupils & parents

Wednesday 26th September- Family worker drop-in at Isleham Primary School- 9.15am to 10.45am - see attached leaflet for other parent & carer events

Wednesday 26th September- 6pm-8pm- Ely College Roadshow evening for Year 6 pupils and parents

Thursday 27th September- 6pm-8pm- Soham Village College Open Evening for Year 6 pupils and parents

Friday 28th September- 2.00pm- Harvest Festival in St Andrew's Church (Parents welcome- further details of harvest service to follow. Each child is invited to bring a tin or sealed packet of food for 'The Three Rivers' Churches' Harvest collection. Thank you in advance.)

Tuesday 2nd October- 6pm-8pm- Mildenhall College Academy Open Evening for Year 6 pupils and parents

Thursday 4th October- 5pm-7pm- Littleport & East Cambs Academy Open Evening for Year 6 pupils and parents

Friday 5th October- Ely Cathedral Schools' Day- Year 6

Friday 5th October- 2.45pm- Year 5 Class Assembly

Monday 8th October- Parents' Evening 4pm-7pm (booking online from Monday 24th September 12noon)

Tuesday 9th October- Parents' Evening 4pm-7pm (booking online from Monday 24th September 12noon)

Wednesday 10th October- Year 6 visit to Duxford Air Museum

Thursday 11th October- Year 6 STEM Challenge at SVC

Friday 12th October- 2.45pm- Year 4 Class Assembly

Friday 19th October- Professional Development Day for staff (School closed to pupils- Premier Education Sport camp on offer- further details to follow)

Week commencing Monday 22nd October- HALF TERM WEEK (School closed to pupils)

Friday 2nd November- 2.45pm- Year 6 Class Assembly

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