

ISLEHAM WEEKLY NEWS

Week commencing: 26th September 2016

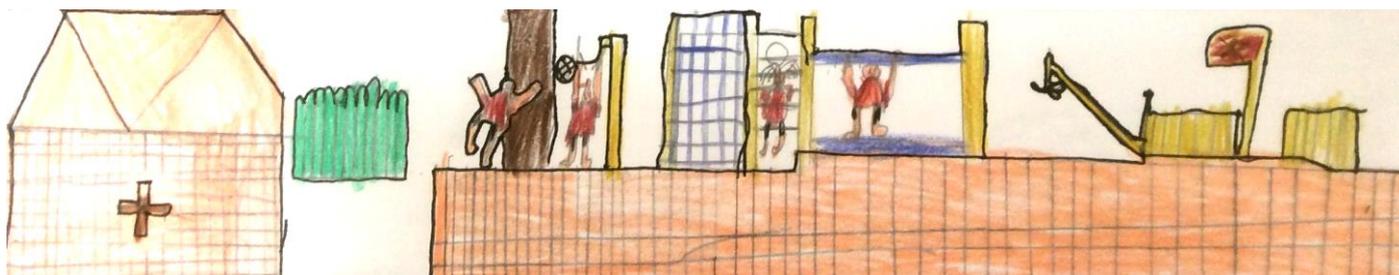


NEWSLETTER COMPETITION WINNERS

Very many thanks to all the entrants in the Newsletter Footer Design Competition. It was exceptionally difficult to judge the entries, but in the end Mrs Barber and I chose the following super designs... Congratulations!



First: Sophia Year 6



Second: Jack Year 4



Third: Lila Year 1

The top entrant will evidently see their design on the newsletter each week, starting this week, as below! Well done, Sophia!

All of the newsletter design competition entrants (with the exception of Lila who was unfortunately absent today) are pictured overleaf with their prizes. Well done to all!



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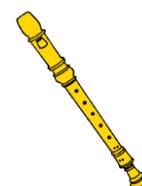


I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at our Harvest Festival in St Andrew's Church Isleham on Friday this week at 2pm. If you wish to walk along to the Church with us at 1.30pm, please meet us in the playground at this time. The Year 6 children will be walking with their Reception buddies, and the Year 5 children with Year 1.



Each child is asked to please bring along a packet or tin of food (or harvest basket of fresh produce if you prefer) which can be donated to the Three Rivers' Church group harvest collection for the homeless. (Please no baked beans however, as the Food Bank who will be distributing the food currently have large stocks of baked beans tins!)- Thank you.

Recorder group players need to also please ensure their recorder is in school on Friday as well as Wednesday's club day.



Thank you in advance.

With all best wishes for the week ahead,
Mrs Skillern



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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE P.T.A. (PARENT- TEACHER ASSOCIATION)

Please come along to the Annual General Meeting of the PTA which will take place after school on Tuesday 4th October. This is an opportunity to celebrate all the work of the PTA in the past year, and elect those wishing to be involved this year. There is a free crèche for school-aged children and refreshments will be provided. Please come along if you can.

P.E. KIT & CROSS COUNTRY RUNNING OUTFITS

I must apologise for any frustration or confusion caused over P.E. kit expectations this year...

Children are welcome to wear any dark coloured tracksuit over their burgundy P.E. kit in the colder weather. Once your child grows out of his or her current items, please aim to purchase **a black tracksuit** as this will be smarter for any matches in the winter months. However, this year, children should of course wear the kit you have purchased for them. (Some older pupils have black shorts instead of burgundy ones, ready for high school- this is fine, if your child has outgrown their burgundy ones. If you do not wish your child to wear the school burgundy P.E. shirt or a plain burgundy one, then a plain white t-shirt may be worn. (Obviously it is essential that the top worn for P.E. is a different one to the one worn in school.

With regard to cross country running club on Mondays, I have been advised that last year and before, the children could wear their own clothes for the lunchtime running club. This makes sense, especially if your child has school indoor P.E. in the afternoon, and may have got wet outdoors at lunchtime. Therefore, please feel free to send in a separate running kit if you wish, for your child to wear. Of course, there is NO compulsion to do this, and rather than rush out to buy anything extra if your child is new to the club, please wait to find out whether they will stick with it!

If your child is selected to compete in any cross country running competitions on behalf of the school, we will provide an Isleham gold running vest top which can be worn over their running kit or school PE kit.

CLUBS- CHEERLEADING CLUB WEDNESDAYS



We now have enough children for cheerleading club, and Mrs Jackson is looking forward to working with the group from this Wednesday 3.15pm-4.15pm (A small cost of £10 per term for all the classes will be payable).

Payment for Archery Club & Cheerleading Club

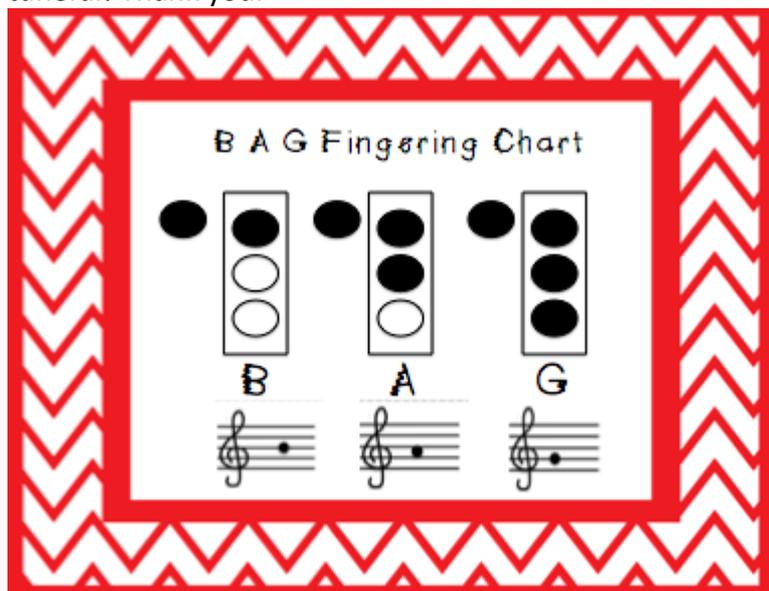
If your child has been allocated to Archery Club or will be attending Cheerleading club this term, please arrange to pay £10 towards the staffing costs for these activities by Agora Pay or in cash to the office BY this Friday- Friday 30th September. Please speak to the office in cases of financial hardship and support can be offered in line with our charges and remissions policy. Many thanks.



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Recorder Club

As mentioned on the first page, if your child is attending Recorder Club, please help him/her to practice the notes B A G, as all of the current recorder group will be playing in church for the harvest service at the end of this week. Your encouragement and support last week really paid off, and the group are sounding quite tuneful! Thank you.



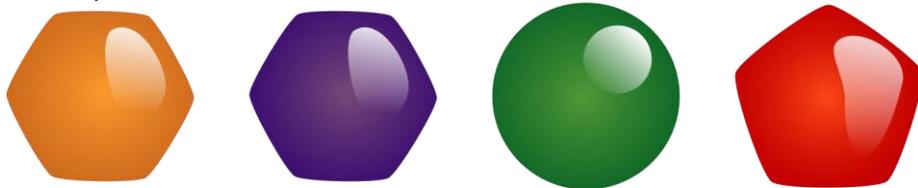
(thumb on back hole of recorder, and 1 finger on top front for B, thumb on back hole of recorder, and 2 fingers on top front for A and thumb on back hole of recorder, and 3 fingers on top front for G with left hand.)

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

We don't have any birthdays to celebrate this week!

YEAR 6 HOUSE CAPTAIN REPRESENTATIVES 2016-17

The following children have been voted in as House Captains this year following the house team elections last Tuesday:



Amber: Hannah & Cara
Sapphires: Mari & Archie
Emeralds: Izzy & Jamie
Rubies: Hannah & Joe

I would like to congratulate all the Year 6 pupils who 'stood' as potential Captains for their super posters and presentations last week. One of the hardest situations for our children is dealing with not being selected when they really wanted to be, and the children coped admirably with this, despite obviously being disappointed if they were not the chosen as the Captain for their house.



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MENU

Please find below details of this week's school menu. The daily menu is also on display in school for the children to view. If you would like to order a school lunch for your child, please do so in advance via the online payment system- SIMS Agora. www.payyourschool.co.uk

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN	Local pork and apple grill in a bun	Leek and ham pasta bake with French bread	Organic minced beef pie with gravy and mashed potatoes	Roast chicken, stuffing and gravy with roast potatoes	Salmon bites or cod goujons with chips
DESSERTS	Fudge tart with chocolate sauce	Sticky toffee apple sponge with custard ^{50p}	Wicked fruity Wednesday	Strawberry whip and a mini shortbread biscuit	Mini gingerbread and fruit ^{50p}
	Fruit and yogurt granola pot ^{50p}	Organic yogurt	Frozen yogurt	Organic yogurt	Organic yogurt

COOK NEWS!

We will be saying farewell and thank you on Friday to Mrs Karen Clark who has prepared and served lunches at Isleham Primary for several years, as she is moving on to another local school to lead the mealtimes there. Mrs Sharon King will be joining us at Isleham, and we look forward to her joining us. Mrs Lisa Turrell who is currently Mrs Clark's assistant will stay initially to ensure the mealtimes continue to run smoothly, before also joining Mrs Clark in her new setting, and a new assistant Mrs Christine Marsh will join us shortly... Both teams of cooks work within the Cambridgeshire Catering Service and therefore please be assured that the meals will continue to be of a high standard with the new staff!

SCHOOL UNIFORM- NAMING ITEMS

Please ensure your child's uniform items are ALL clearly named, INCLUDING UNDERWEAR ON SWIMMING DAYS! For the youngest children it is preferable to name all items in the neckline/ waist band so that the children can easily find their name on the item. THANK YOU IN ADVANCE

SWIMMING NEWS & ISLEHAM SWIMMING POOL ASSOCIATION (I.S.P.A.) TRIATHLON

A huge 'Thank You' to the volunteers who have already helped our swimming lessons get off to a great start this year. Swimming lessons would not be possible without your support.

The I.S.P.A. fund-raising triathlon will take place after school this Friday. Good luck to all taking part!

REMAINING DIARY DATES- SEPTEMBER 2016

- Wednesday 28th September- Full Governors' Meeting 7pm
- Friday 30th September- Harvest Service- St Andrew's Church, Isleham 2pm (Parents welcome. Each child is invited to **bring a tin or sealed packet of food** for The Three Rivers' Churches' Harvest collection from next Monday- 26th September. Thank you in advance.)
- Friday 30th September- ISPA Triathlon after school

ADVANCE NOTICE- DIARY DATES- OCTOBER 2016

- Tuesday 4th October- Year 5 visit to Ely cathedral



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- Tuesday 4th October- PTA AGM in the School Hall- all parents of the school welcome at 3.30pm to listen to the reports from the existing committee and to make committee elections for the coming year. A free crèche is being provided.
- Sunday 9th October- 'Messy Church' for fun, crafts and worship for all the family, at Fordham Church 3.30pm-5.30pm. For more information, contact Revd Sue on 01638 721662
- Week commencing 10th October-NO clubs running due to Parents' Consultations
- Thursday 13th October- Parents' Consultation appointments 1.30pm-7.00pm Appointment time selection sheets will be sent out to parents at the end of September, to enable you to select convenient time slots.
- Monday 17th to Thursday 20th October- Year 6 'Bikeability' classes
- Tuesday 18th October- Open Classroom
- Thursday 20th October- Year 1 visit to Ely Museum
- Friday 21st October- school closed- Professional Development Day for staff
- Week commencing 24th October- HALF TERM- no school



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