

ISLEHAM WEEKLY NEWS

Week commencing: Monday 4th March 2019



VISIT FROM ENGLISH & IRISH CHANNEL SOLO SWIMMER ED WILLIAMS



Dear Parents,

On Friday, the children had a visit from Ed Williams from local swim school Elite Swimming Academy. Ed spoke with the children about his marathon swims across the English Channel, Gibraltar Strait and Irish Channel to inspire the children to work hard, think big and achieve their dreams.

Ed's company runs private swimming lessons for children of all ages and abilities. They have a wonderful private facility just down the road from us in the village of Kennett at Arran House Stud where some of our children already swim. If you are looking to boost your children's swimming skills in time for the summer, then please find details in the leaflet at the end of the newsletter.

Alternatively you can find out more via their website www.eliteswimmingacademy.co.uk or by calling 01638 465 699.

THE WEEK AHEAD



Don't forget that this week, your children are welcome to wear house colours (red, blue, yellow or green according to their house group colour) on Tuesday, and dress as their favourite book character or bring a book to share in school on Thursday. We also look forward to welcoming the famous children's author Pippa Goodhart to Isleham on Thursday.

With best wishes for the week ahead,
Mrs Skillern



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A leading provider of Breakfast, After School & Holiday Clubs

As detailed in the school comms message sent last week, we have asked Energy Kidz to further investigate the viability of offering an After School Club at our school.

Energy Kidz have a proven record of positive Ofsted inspections and have a really strong support and monitoring framework in place for their clubs.

They work with a number of schools and lots of children enjoy the care they provide each day.

Energy Kidz follow a free choice philosophy in that they provide a fun and happy place for children to take part in activities, arts and crafts, sports, or just chill out and enjoy the variety of toys and games available.

After School Clubs run from school finish until 6pm and a snack is served.

There is flexibility to book regular sessions or just as and when needed.

If the survey shows sufficient demand within our school, we would hope to launch the provision in September 2019.

It is really important that parents who want this service complete the online survey by Friday 8th March THIS WEEK; we would like to gauge interest as soon as possible to get a good indication of the demand.

There is an accompanying PDF from Energy Kidz with more details and a link to the survey. You can also go directly to the survey by going to:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/islehamprimary>

We thank you for taking the time to read this and hope to be able to welcome Energy Kidz to our school to offer this service to our families.

ASSEMBLIES THIS WEEK





This week, we will be learning about Lent, and celebrating Shrove Tuesday this Tuesday! Our Christian values are wisdom, love and hope.



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MENU THIS WEEK

This week's menu options are listed below.

MEAT FREE 					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Freshly baked bread	Garlic bread	Wholemeal bread	Focaccia	Rosemary wholemeal bread	Garlic & herbed ciabatta
Menu choice 1	Cheese and tomato pizza	Hot dog in bun with potato wedges	Meatballs with pasta	Roast chicken, roast potatoes & yorkshire pudding	Battered fish & chips with tomato ketchup
Menu choice 2 	Jacket potato with cheese and beans	Quorn dog in bun with potato wedges	Jacket potato with cheese and beans	Cheese tomato quiche	Vegetable wrap
Sides	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 muffin Sliced fresh fruit	Pancakes Sliced fresh fruit	Chocolate sponge cake with chocolate sauce Sliced fresh fruit	Chocolate crispy Sliced fresh fruit	Shortbread Sliced fresh fruit
Our mission is to make your lunchtime meal the highlight of <i>your</i> day.					

Thank you to our catering team for the lovely cheery St David's day daffodil cupcakes on Friday 1st March last week.



STARS OF THE WEEK



Our stars of the week last week were:-

Year R- Miller for coming into school happy and ready to learn

Year 1- Eleanor for a great attitude to her writing

Year 2- Perlita for always being a good friend



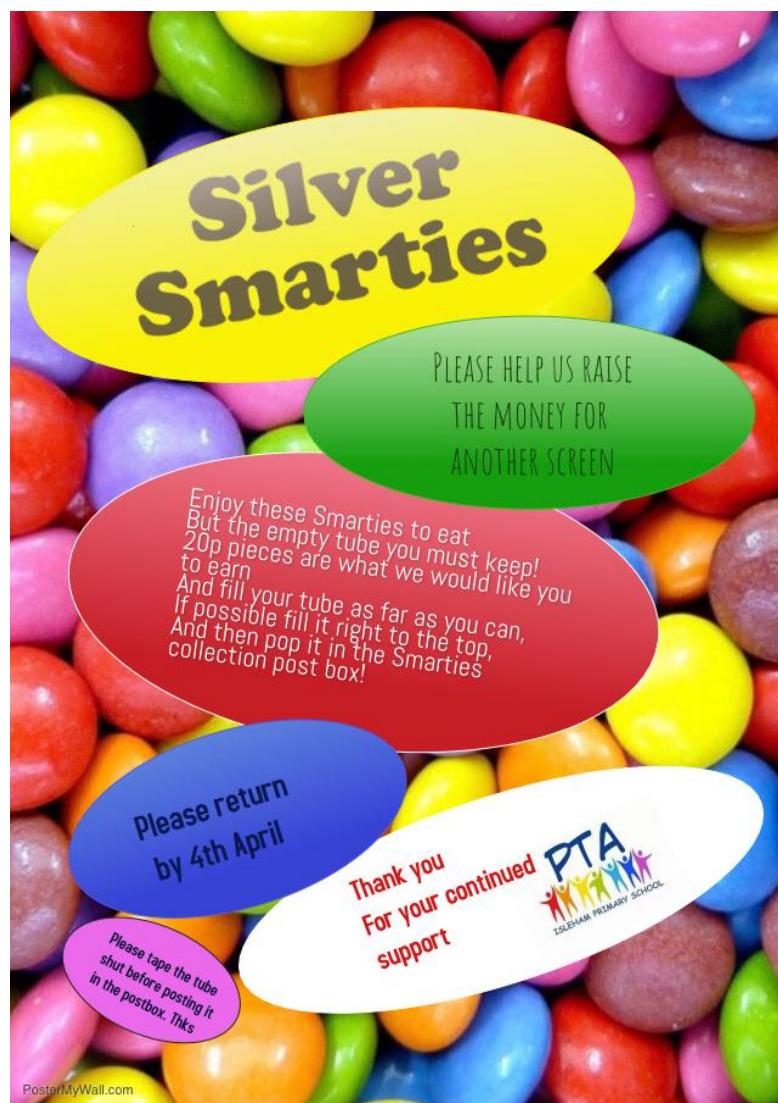
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Year 3- Aurelia for reading lots and lots over half term
Year 4- Ashton Pr for great homework about Bear Grylls
Year 5- Jason for being so focused on his animal description in writing
Year 6- Holly for having a happy, cheery attitude which always brightens the day!

Congratulations to all these children, and to those who were awarded house tokens for gaining 30+ Dojo points- WELL DONE!

PTA SILVER SMARTIES COLLECTION

Apologies for any confusion over Silver Smarties- any coins you can spare will be gratefully received in the PTA Silver Smarties collection. Please keep your Smarties tube at home in the coming fortnight and pop in any spare coins you may have, then bring your sealed tubes either full or part full back into school AFTER 25th March 2019. **Tubes do not need to be named**- all donations are anonymous. We are grateful for all your donations, large or small. THANK YOU!



CLASS CAFES

Don't forget that you are also welcome to come along to your child's class café on Tuesdays this term (9am to 9.45am)- entrance via the group room.



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Remaining class cafés:-



Tuesday 19th March- Year R Class café

Tuesday 26th March- Year 1 Class café

Tuesday 2nd April- Year 6 Class café

The class cafés will last approximately 30 minutes from 9.15am to 9.45am, but doors will be open from 9am for tea and coffee at drop-off. Younger siblings are welcome, but it would be appreciated if they could be taken out of the room if they are very noisy for the short time the school children are speaking or performing. Your support is greatly appreciated.

PARENTS' EVENING APPOINTMENTS



Don't forget to attend at your booked appointment times on the following evenings:-

*Monday 4th March- 5pm to 8pm

*Tuesday 5th March- 4pm to 7pm

Governors have a parent survey which you can access online either before or during your visit to the school to tell us more about what you think about Isleham Primary School.

Reception Link: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/GZ8S52K>

Year One: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/GZ3HV6T>

Year Two: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/G5K5DTM>

Year Three: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/BKKWSH7>

Year Four: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/BKCTQHT>

Year Five: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/BKGFC9Q>

Year Six: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/BK5VJZG>

Thank you in advance for sharing your views and ideas.



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 4th March- 5pm to 8pm- Parents' Information Evening 1 of 2

Tuesday 5th March- Pancake Day and House Day- Christian values- all day- children welcome to attend school in house colours.

Tuesday 5th March- 4pm to 7pm- Parents' Information Evening 2 of 2

Thursday 7th March- World Book Day- bring your favourite book to school or come dressed as a book character

Friday 8th March- am- King's Ely Football tournament Year 4 selected pupils

Friday 15th March- Comic Relief Red Nose Day 2019- come to school dressed in red and make a donation to Comic Relief.

Friday 15th March- after school- PTA School discos



Tuesday 19th March- Year R Class café

Friday 22nd March- Year 5 & 6 Hi-5 Netball at SVC (selected pupils)

Tuesday 26th March- Year 1 Class café

Tuesday 2nd April- Year 6 Class café

Wednesday 3rd April- Year 3 & 4 Production 2pm Show 1 of 2

Thursday 4th April- Year 3 & 4 Production 6.00pm Show 2 of 2

Friday 5th April- House Easter craft day- wear your house colours, and decorate an Easter bonnet or crown to wear to school... Prizes available for the best in each year group!



Friday 5th April- Break up for Easter holidays after school



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Tuesday 23rd April- Professional Development Day for staff- School closed to pupils

Wednesday 24th April- Pupils return to school after the Easter break

COMMUNITY THANKS

Many thanks to all school families who helped to raise funds for Team Jay at the weekend through the Tesco Newmarket bag packing event. **An amazing £3634.27 was raised.** 70 children from the school have fundraised over the past two days and have done an amazing job. They behaved beautifully and really did the school and Jay proud. WELL DONE EVERYONE!



COMMUNITY NEWS

BOOKINGS NOW OPEN FOR NEXT TERM

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NEWMARKET

Our lessons are of the highest standard and our students benefit from working with our exceptional coaches. We are based at the **Newly Refurbished Arran House Stud in Kennett**, a warm, clean private pool which students have exclusively to themselves. With no more than 3 students per class young swimmers get the very best experience of learning to swim.

Visit us online at:

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or call now to find out what we can do for you.

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ELITE SWIMMING ACADEMY
- NEWMARKET -

ECO SCHOOLS- BATTERY RECYCLING

Your child will be bringing home a small box this week to keep at home over the coming months and store dead batteries for recycling. We have a large collection tube shaped like a battery in the entrance foyer where we can now accept household batteries which you would like to be recycled. Please don't return the box to us- it can be used as a store tub at home and for transporting batteries to and from school.



THANK YOU



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Tickets for our local pantomime run by 'The Beeches Entertainers' are now on sale. The show takes place on the 29th and 30th March 2019, is family-friendly, and as usual, there are a few familiar faces of staff members from the school within the cast!

Mrs Dunsmuir will be selling tickets for the panto at school between 3.00pm and 3.30 pm on Monday 11th March.

If you can't wait until then, they can also be bought from the Beeches Community Centre- please see the flyer for details.

The Beeches Entertainers proudly present

HANSEL & GRETEL



Written by Sally Gander
Published by Lazy Bee Scripts

The Beeches, Isleham Tickets : £7 Adults, £3 Child (ages 3-16)
Friday March 29th @ 7.30pm Available at The Beeches Farmers' Markets
Saturday March 30th @ 2.00pm Sat 16th Feb and Sat 16th March
Saturday March 30th @ 7.00pm 10am-12noon
(cash sales only please)
Children's Fancy Dress competition! Also available from the Beeches 01632780097
or contact us on 07510173412



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