

ISLEHAM WEEKLY NEWS

Week commencing: Tuesday 5th September 2017



WELCOME BACK



Welcome back to all the children for the new school year 2017-18 at Isleham Primary School. It is lovely to see all the children back in school; they have already made a start to their work in classes this morning.



I am delighted to also welcome **Mrs Stefanie Reed** to teach in Year 1 this year, and **Mrs Rhian Bond** who is returning to work today.

In each week's newsletter, I will provide information about events which have taken place in school, the key dates coming up in the next week or so, and information about the weekly menu, award winners and birthday celebrations.

We will aim to publish the newsletter to the website by 11am each Monday morning. Please read the newsletter regularly and let me know if there is anything you would like added in, such as news of your child's achievements outside school (e.g. an award gained at an outside club or event.) I can be emailed at head@isleham.cambs.sch.uk In addition, at the start of each term, your child's class teacher will send an information letter with class-specific news such as PE days for you to read.

In addition, your child's class teacher will provide a termly newsletter with details of class news, topics and events.

With all best wishes for the term and year ahead,
Mrs Skillern

NEWSLETTER DESIGN COMPETITION

As we start the new school year, we will be running a competition once again to design the 'footer' picture for our school newsletter to be used throughout 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 (overleaf) and return it to school by the morning of Friday 22nd September 2017. 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 and Mrs Skillern on the 22nd September, with winners announced in the newsletter and assembly on the 25th September. The winning design will also be included in our weekly newsletter beneath the burgundy line below! HAPPY CREATING!

AUTUMN TERM MUSIC LESSONS WITH MR WRIGHT

Mr Wright will be recommencing music lessons today for children in Year 2-6 who wish to learnt to play a musical instrument either in individual lessons or a small group. In addition, Mr Wright will be offering class music lessons in ukulele this term to the children in Year 6. Please support your child with practice in between lessons to enable him or her to make rapid progress.



SWIMMING TIMES THIS TERM

Swimming for Year 1, 2, 3 and 4 has been arranged once again this half term. We are lucky that Mrs Read will be leading the sessions with teaching staff again. Swimming will start next week (from 11th September). Please ensure your child has a named costume, towel and googles/ hat if needed on their swimming day. Tuesday- Year 3, Wednesday- Year 1, Thursday- Year 2, Friday- Year 4

VALUE OF THE WEEK

In our assemblies this week, we are thinking about our school value of 'Thankfulness'.



PLAYGROUND USE

Children need to please dismount and push their scooter or bike along the pathway to/from the playground and in the playground. Please also remember that dogs are NOT permitted on the school premises.

SUN SAFETY

The weather remains incredibly variable, but if recent sunny spells continue, please ensure your child has a named sun hat in school to wear at break and lunchtimes. Please apply sunscreen before your child comes to school. Please also ensure your child has a named water bottle in school to keep with them in class and PE sessions.

MENU

LUNCHES THIS WEEK

| TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
|---|---|--|--|
| Beef Bolognaise with penne pasta | Barbeque chicken with rice | Roast turkey, stuffing and gravy with roast potatoes | Fish fingers or salmon bites with tomato sauce and chips |
| Cauliflower and broccoli bake with garlic bread ✓ | Bean and vegetable bake with herby diced potatoes ✓ | Quorn fillet, stuffing and gravy with roast potatoes ✓ | Pasta Neapolitan ✓ |
| *'Grab & Go' Packed lunch menu | | | |
| American pancake and ice cream with raspberry sauce | Wicked fruity Wednesday 100% | Vanilla cheesecake | Cappuccino cake with fresh milk |
| Fruit yoghurt | Iced fruit smoothie | Fruit yoghurt | Fruit yoghurt |

Option 1
Option 2
Option 3

*Please see below for the 'grab & go' packed lunch menu below:-

'GRAB & GO' - THIS WEEK

| Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|----------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Cheese roll | Ham baguette | Egg roll | Tuna roll |
| Veg sticks & fruit | Veg sticks & fruit | Veg sticks & fruit | Veg sticks & fruit |
| American pancake and syrup | Cake | Flapjack | Cappuccino cake |
| Bottle of water | Bottle of water | Bottle of water | Bottle of water |

Please note that on days when the 'grab & go' option is NOT vegetarian, vegetarian children may order a cheese roll in place of the meat roll, wrap or baguette.



KEY STAGE 1 & 2- HEALTHY SNACKS



Key Stage 1 children are provided with a healthy fruit snack along with milk or water each morning. You may send in a small snack for your child in place of this, but please ensure this is a single portion which can be eaten in the short time prior to outside play. (Children do not have time to eat an entire box of food!) In Key Stage 2, snacks are not provided by the school and your children are invited to bring a healthy snack to school each day to eat at morning play. Please note that nuts are not permitted. Again, please avoid over-large portions which take a long time to eat! A small piece of fruit is ideal.

CLUBS FOR YEAR 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 CHILDREN




A timetable detailing after-school and lunchtime clubs running this term will be published in the newsletter on the 11th September 2017 (NEXT WEEK). Clubs will commence during the week of the 18th September 2017. You will be notified of the clubs which your child has been allocated to by letter on Thursday 14th September 2017.

NAMING PERSONAL ITEMS & SCHOOL UNIFORM

Please ensure all your child's personal items of clothing/kit are clearly named with your child's name in permanent marker pen or sew-in/ attached labels so that they can be returned to your child if they are misplaced and found by someone else. Please do not send in any items which are precious or valuable to

your child such as jewellery, as these are not suitable for school. Please also avoid fashion accessories and make-up.

PARENT SUPPORT GROUP

ELY ADHD/ASD Parent/Carer Group

Are you the parent / carer of a child that has non-diagnosed or diagnosed ADHD / ASD?

Would like to meet other parents to share your experiences and gain practical advice, information and support?

We would like to invite you to attend the following sessions:

- 8th September *
- 6th October
- 10th November

Where: Ely Children's Centre, Spring Meadow Infant & Nursery School, High Barns, Ely, CB7 4RB
Time: 12.30-2.30pm

*September venue - Ely Cathedral Centre, Palace Green, Ely CB7 4EW. 12.15 – 2.00PM

Along with Family Voice Peterborough, Pinpoint is running 4 monthly groups for parents / carers whose children are on the waiting list, have had a referral turned down or are accessing services for ADHD/ASD. Each month we aim to invite speakers that will offer advice on how to support you, your child and your family.

In September we will be joining with The Oak Tree Branches Support group and an Educational Psychologist from Cambridgeshire County Council will be joining us

We can reimburse your childcare and travel expenses. Refreshments are provided

We also run groups in Peterborough, Huntingdon and Histon - Cambridge, please check our website for further details. For latest information and directions see the pinpoint website: <http://www.pinpoint-cambs.org.uk/events>

To book your place contact: eve@pinpoint-cambs.org.uk 01480 499043

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK



Many happy returns of the day to all the children who celebrate their birthdays this week

DIARY DATES- THIS WEEK:-

Tuesday 5th September- Autumn Term 2017 starts- children return to school after the summer holiday
Tuesday 5th September- Thursday 7th September- Year R Home Visits at pre-arranged times
Friday 8th September- Year R pupils first full day in school for 2017-18 cohort
Friday 8th September- Class newsletters sent home
Monday 11th September- Termly clubs published in Monday newsletter
Monday 18th September- After-school and lunchtime clubs commence
Friday 22nd September- Deadline for newsletter 'footer' picture competition
Friday 29th September- Harvest Service- St Andrew's Church, Isleham 2pm (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.