

ISLEHAM WEEKLY NEWS

Week commencing: 7th November 2016



CALLING ALL RECEPTION PARENTS- CURRICULUM INFORMATION EVENING FOR THIS YEAR'S RECEPTION YEAR PARENTS



Reception class parents will have received an invitation last week to our annual curriculum information evening for Reception parents on Wednesday 9th November- THIS WEEK at 7pm. We hope you can make it to find out more from Miss Diplock and Mrs Deacon about life in Reception class, how the curriculum is structured and how you can support your child at home.

POPPY APPEAL 2016



We are once again selling poppies via the classrooms each day this week in aid of the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. A suggested minimum donation of 50p is required for each poppy. Children are welcome to wear their poppies in school throughout this week. There are also a range of Poppy Appeal items to buy in the office including bracelets and poppy bag reflectors- the sale prices for these items range from 50p to £1.00. Please pop into the office at the start of the day if you would like to purchase one of these items for your child. (Unfortunately, we cannot sell these in the classrooms as this may be disruptive to curriculum time through offering too many choice items for the children!) Thank you for your support. The Poppy Appeal is the Royal British Legion's biggest fundraising campaign held every year in November, the period of Remembrance. Each year, an army of volunteers distribute our iconic paper poppies throughout the nation, collecting donations in return to help support the vital work we do for the Armed Forces community. Members of the public wear the paper poppy on their chest as a symbol of Remembrance: to remember the fallen Service men and women killed in conflict. A number of Remembrance events, such as Remembrance Sunday, are held during the Poppy Appeal to commemorate the fallen. The Remembrance service at St Andrew's Church, Isleham will take place at 10.45am on Sunday 13th November. Our Year 6 House Captains will represent the school and all members of the school community are welcome to attend.

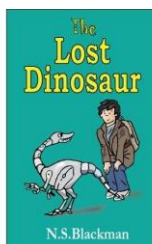


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DEADLINE FOR SIGNED BOOKS & CHRISTMAS CARD ORDERS- THIS FRIDAY



Your child brought home a personalised Christmas card order form last week. There is no obligation to buy the cards or designed items; however, if you would like to, please ensure your order form and cheque/ cash payment is returned to the office by the end of this week- Friday 11th November.



Also, if you would like to purchase signed copies of Nigel Blackman's books for your children, please see the order form attached... please note that Nigel Blackman does not charge for his visit to schools, so all orders are gratefully received to make his visit worthwhile. Signed books will make special Christmas gifts for any friends or family and books ordered by Friday 11th November will be signed by the author at no extra cost to the recommended retail price for the books. The deadline for orders is this Friday- 11th November. Thank you in advance.

SCHOOL COUNCIL CHILDREN IN NEED 'SPOTACULAR' DAY & CAKE SALE

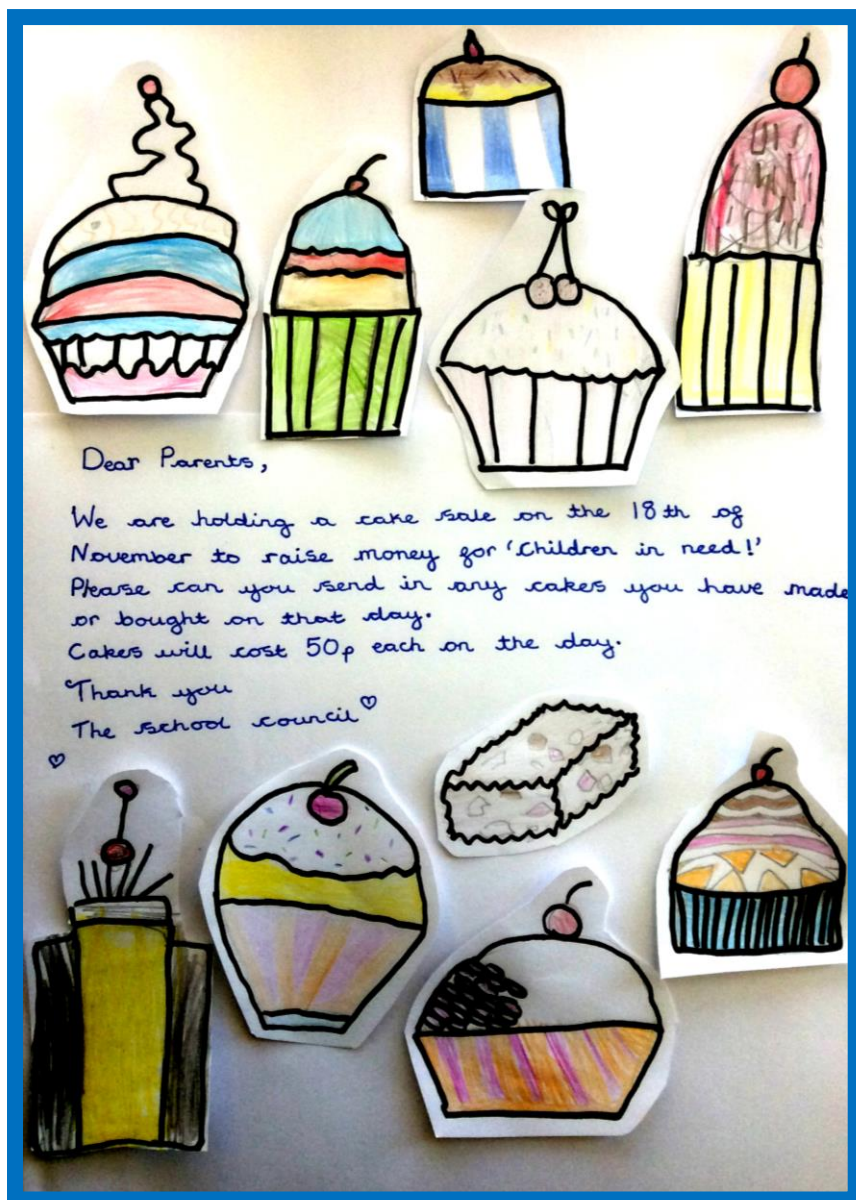


Please see overleaf a decorated letter from the School Council about our Spotacular 'home clothes' day coming up on Friday the 18th November. Your children are invited to wear their own clothes, including something 'spotty', or an item of clothing which they have decorated with spots. We will be holding a cake sale at break time to raise money for 'children in need'. Please put this date in your diaries and help us by baking if you possibly can. Cakes will cost 50p each, and we hope that each child will be able to purchase at least one cake with any donations they bring in. All cake donations can be dropped off to the office on the morning of the 18th November. Please label clearly any cake tins or containers you would like returned.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.



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The special 'Children in Need' school lunch on the 18th November will consist of:

Fish fingers

Chips

Sweetcorn

Baked Beans

& a Pudsey cookie

The vegetarian option will be Jacket potato and beans.

MENU

Please find overleaf 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



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	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN	Award winning pork sausages with gravy and mashed potatoes	Organic beef chilli with mixed rice	Chicken pasta bake with garlic and herb focaccia	Roast pork, stuffing, apple sauce and gravy with roast potatoes	Battered cod fillet with tomato sauce and chips
DESSERTS	Chocolate surprise cake and organic milk	Apple and banana crisp with custard 50p	Wicked fruity Wednesday	Peach pudding with vanilla sauce	Mini chocolate oat biscuit and fruit 50p
	Organic yogurt	Fruit and yogurt granola pot 50p	Organic yogurt	Frozen yogurt	Organic yogurt

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD- SHOEBOX APPEAL- DEADLINE NEXT FRIDAY 18TH NOVEMBER

This year, we are supporting the local collection in Isleham for the Operation Christmas Child project, which is running again this year.

You have hopefully received one of the leaflets, explaining what to do if you would like to put together a Christmas parcel for a child who will not receive any other presents this Christmas time. Please log on to the Samaritan's Purse website if you would like to find out more about how to wrap, pack and label your boxed gift.

<https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk>

Please also feel free to put together a box between several families if you prefer; we will be collecting the boxes up until November 18th in school. Please bring your box along to the school office.

Thank you in advance for your support.



CHRISTMAS RAFFLE PRIZE DONATIONS SOUGHT



Do you, or does someone you know, work for a company or organisation that might be prepared to donate a Christmas Fair raffle prize? All introductions gratefully received and treated with either the strictest confidence or widely advertised, according to preference. Please get in touch either via the school office, email us at islehampta@gmail.com, if you think you or someone you know may be able to help. Many thanks in anticipation.



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BIRTHDAYS



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL THE CHILDREN WHO CELEBRATE BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK.

DON'T FORGET: NEXT WEEK- PHONICS PARENTS' INFORMATION SESSION- MONDAY 14th NOVEMBER 9.00am ALL RECEPTION, YEAR 1 & YEAR 2 PARENTS VERY WELCOME

**Supporting children
with their reading:**

**A Phonics
information session
for parents**



Come along and see how we teach
Phonics in **Reception** and across
Ks1.



**14.11.16
9am
In the hall**



We are running a parents' phonics information meeting on Monday 14th Nov at 9am. It will run in the same format as previous parents' sessions with an overview of phonics in the hall at 9.05am, followed by an opportunity to visit the children in class in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 to see the various phonic activities that take place in each year group. You will be asked to say goodbye to your children at 9.30am though so that learning can continue in other subjects! We look forward to seeing you then.



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DIARY DATES- THIS WEEK & REMAINDER OF AUTUMN TERM 2016 (INCLUDING KEY CHRISTMAS DATES)

- Wednesday 9th November- 7pm Reception Parents' Curriculum Information Evening
- Friday 11th November- 2.40pm Year 5 Sharing assembly
- Sunday 13th November- 10.45am School House Captains to attend memorial service for Remembrance Day at St Andrew's Church, Isleham
- Monday 14th November- 8.55am Family Worker Parent Drop-in
- Monday 14th November- 9.00am Parents' phonic information session in the hall & open classrooms
- Thursday 17th November- visit of children's author Nigel Blackman
- Friday 18th November- 'Spotacular' Day in aid of 'Children in Need'- please wear something spotty or decorate yourself with spots, and bring a donation for 'Children in Need'. We will have a cake sale at break time, so any donations of cakes will be very gratefully received...
- Friday 18th November- Year5/6 Tag Rugby Event at Witchford Village College for selected pupils
- Friday 18th November- 2.40pm Year 6 Sharing assembly
- Friday 25th November- 2.40pm Year 3 Sharing assembly
- Thursday 1st December- 2pm Christingle Service in St Andrew's Church, Isleham. **All parents who are willing to escort the children on foot to the church for the service are welcome to meet us at 1.20pm in the playground. We do rely on your help in walking along the paths with us. Please let your child's class teacher know if you can help out. Thank you in advance.**
- Friday 2nd December- 2.40pm Year 4 Sharing assembly
- Monday 12th December- 8.55am Family Worker Parent Drop-in
- Monday 12th December- Visiting pantomime company- 'Cinderella' for all pupils
- Tuesday 13th December- 9.30am Year R Nativity performance 1 of 2
- Tuesday 13th December- 3.15pm Open Classrooms after school
- Wednesday 14th December- 2.30pm Year R Nativity performance 2 of 2
- Thursday 15th December- 2.30pm Key Stage 1 Christmas Sing-a-long performance 1 of 2
- Friday 16th December- 9.30am Key Stage 1 Christmas Sing-a-long performance 2 of 2
- Monday 19th December- from 2.45pm PTA Event- carol singing on the playground, and Christmas Fayre after school
- Tuesday 20th December- End of term- break up for Christmas at end of school day



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