

ISLEHAM WEEKLY NEWS

Week commencing: Wednesday 20th April 2022

SUMMER TERM CLUBS



This term we have several clubs available for the children to enjoy before and after school on Tuesdays and Thursdays from Tuesday 26th April. Please complete the slip below if your child would like to attend any of the clubs and return it to the office by Friday 22nd April.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Before school from 8am		Origami Club for Yr 1-6 with Miss Simmons			
After school until 4pm		Dance Club for Yr 3-6 with Premier Sport Girls' sports club for Yr 4-6 with Mr Tull Story Club for Yr R-2 with Miss Stanley		Sport Club for Yr 3-6 with Premier Sport Rollerskating Club for Yr R-2 with Mrs Skillern and Mrs Deacon* Mindfulness Club for Yr 3-6 with Miss Bottomley	

- Children require their own quad or in-line roller skates for this club, along with a skate or cycle helmet (and protective elbow/ knee pads if needed!) All equipment must be NAMED and provided in a named bag.

In addition, there will be a range of lunchtime activities for the children to enjoy (which they do not need to sign up for) including Library Club for Yr R-2 with Miss Diplock, Gardening Club with Mrs Deacon, and Colouring Club with Mrs Deacon & Mrs Skillern, as well as a Year 6 'quiet' club.

Please await confirmation of before and after school club allocations on Friday afternoon this week (the 22nd) before booking childcare.

Thank you.



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CLUB REPLY SLIP- SUMMER 2022

Name _____ Year group _____

Requested club(s) 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

Signed _____ (Parent/ Carer)

PTA SUNFLOWERS STILL LOOKING FOR LOVING GARDENS TO ENJOY!

We still have some of the PTA fundraising sunflower pots containing a sunflower seed and compost available in the office this week- please send in your £2.50 in an envelope or hand it to the office team. All proceeds will go to the PTA. Many thanks too to the Sharp family for supplying all the seeds for this fun project. We will be looking out for photos of the plants growing and there will be prizes for the tallest sunflower (judged through photographic evidence!)



All pictures can be sent to islehampta@gmail.com and we will regularly share photographs once the plants are blooming. Meanwhile, we hope you will enjoy looking at the giant sunflower banners created by the Year 5 class in memory of Jay Davison. They look fantastic- well done Year 5 for your super paintings.

SWIMMING POOL OPENING FOR SUMMER 2022 SEASON



The school pool is anticipated to be open for curriculum swim sessions on Tuesday 3rd May 2022. The provisional times for each class are listed below:-

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Thurs pm	Mon pm	Fri am	Weds pm	Thurs am	Tues am	Tues pm

As always, we are incredibly grateful to parents who are able to volunteer to help escort children to and from the pool, and help with changing.

All parents who volunteer must have carried out a DBS check within the past 6 months, and have carried out the school's volunteer safeguarding training via Zoom within the past 6 months.

For parents who wish to help but have not carried out the DBS checks, please contact the office team to book a convenient time to go through your checks and documents.



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The following volunteer safeguarding sessions are offered this term for parents:-

Friday 29th April at 4.15pm

Wednesday 4th May at 6.30pm

PTA FAMILY SWIM SESSIONS AFTER SCHOOL & SATURDAYS

Don't forget that family swim sessions start from 9th May 2022. Parents pay a £20 fee for the summer season to hire the school pool alongside up to 3 other families after school on week days and on Saturdays (up to 2 bookings per family per week).

Please follow the link below if you have not yet signed up, and make your payment of £20 . The PTA will be in touch once your payment is confirmed with booking details.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/Z6FHSD>



SEPTEMBER 2022 INTAKE



Parents have now been offered places for their children to start Isleham Primary School Reception class 2022 in September if they applied by the 15th January deadline. Please follow the instructions in the offer letter when accepting places for the school. We will be in touch shortly with information about transition events and meetings for next year's reception class parents.



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COVID-19- CURRENT ARRANGEMENTS FOR MANAGING SUSPECTED OR CONFIRMED CASES



Advice to the school for managing suspected cases of COVID-19 or children who have tested positive has now changed. From April 1st 2022 Covid 19 will be managed in a similar way to any other respiratory illness. The similarities between the profile of Covid-19 and other respiratory viruses means that individuals will be unable to distinguish one virus from another based on symptoms alone. In the absence of symptomatic and asymptomatic testing from April 1st, advice will encompass a wide range of symptoms from infections by a variety of viruses. Some symptomatic testing will be available for those in high risk groups and settings and those at risk of becoming seriously unwell.

Settings will continue to carry out and encourage school users to carry out the following processes to ensure general infection control:-

- Stay at home and avoid contact with others if they have a high temperature or do not feel well enough to attend work or carry out normal activities.
- Resume normal activities only once temperature is resolved and feel well enough to do so
- Children and young people with mild symptoms eg runny nose but no high temperature can return to school.
- Promote vaccination uptake
- Ensure adequate ventilation- windows and doors open whenever possible 2
- Use CO2 monitors to ensure good ventilation
- Have activities outside whenever possible
- Promote general respiratory hygiene measures such as “catch it, bin it, kill it”
- Ensure regular hand washing
- Maintain good quality cleaning regimes, making sure cleaning materials are available for individuals to carry out regular touch point cleaning of spaces they use Testing Some individuals may choose to test, either with residual free testing kits or via test kits purchased from pharmacies

Children and young people with a positive test should stay at home and avoid contact with others for 3 days. They can return to education after 3 days provided they have no high temperature and feel well

Adults who test positive should stay at home and avoid contact with others for 5 days. They can return to the workplace after 5 days provided they have no high temperature and feel well

Helpful Links

- <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/people-with-symptoms-of-a-respiratory-infectionincluding-covid-19>



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- <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/living-safely-with-respiratory-infections-including-covid-19>
- <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-on-shielding-and-protecting-extremely-vulnerable-persons-from-covid-19>
- <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/>

NEW MENU



Our summer menu starts today. Option 3 returns as a 'grab and go' lunch bag. Please see ClassDojo for the latest menu.

CLASS ASSEMBLIES

Parents of each class group are invited to class assemblies this term at the following times:-

- Friday 6th May- Class assembly Year 3- 2.45pm
- Friday 13th May- Class assembly Year R- 2.45pm
- Friday 20th May- Class assembly Year 1- 2.45pm
- Friday 27th May- Class assembly Year 2- 2.45pm
- Friday 10th June- Class assembly Year 5- 9.10am
- Friday 17th June- Class assembly- Year 6- 9.10am
- Friday 24th June- Class assembly- Year 4- 9.10am

STAFF NEWS

At the end of this term, as advised during the holidays, I will be moving on from Isleham Primary after 6 happy years here. Governors are currently recruiting a new Headteacher to take over in September.

Miss Bottomley will also sadly be leaving us to take up a post in a local school from September, and Mr Patterson retiring as our caretaker in July.



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TERM DATES THIS TERM

Wednesday 20th April- Children return to school after the Easter holidays

Friday 22nd April- am- Hockey tournament for selected Year 5 & 6 pupils/ 2pm 'Isleham's got talent' Final- rescheduled date

Monday 2nd May- BANK HOLIDAY- NO SCHOOL

Tuesday 3rd May- school swimming starts

Week commencing 9th May- Key Stage 2 (Year 6) SATs tests- Monday to Thursday /PTA family swim sessions commence

Week commencing 16th May- Key Stage 1 SATS tests- Monday to Thursday & Walk to School week



Thursday 19th May- HOUSE DAY- children may wear house colours for 'school values' themed day

Friday 27th May- Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations & sponsored PTA Danceathon (details to follow)

HALF TERM- Monday 30th May to Tuesday 7th June (inclusive)

Monday 6th June- extra Bank Holiday

Tuesday 7th June- Professional development day for staff- school closed to pupils

Wednesday 8th June- return to school after half term/ Kittle Photographic Class Photos

Wednesday 22nd June- am- KEY STAGE 1 & RECEPTION 'SPORTS DAY' 9.30am to 11.00am

KEY STAGE 2 'SPORTS DAY' 1.30pm-3.00pm (Children may wear house colours for the event)

Friday 1st July- PTA Pet Day (details to follow)

Saturday 2nd July- ISLEHAM GALA

Thursday 7th July- Soham Village College main induction day for Year 6 pupils moving to Year 7/

ISLEHAM PRIMARY MOVE UP DAY

Wednesday 20th July- 3.30pm- Residential Meeting for current Year 5 re Thorpe Woodlands

Residential in September.

Friday 22nd July- Last day of summer term

Monday 5th September- Autumn term 2022 commences for pupils



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2022/23 TERM DATES

Autumn Term 2022

PD Days (school closed to pupils)	Thursday 1 September Friday 2 September
First Day of Term (Year 1 to 6)	Monday 5th September
First Day of Term (Reception class)	Tuesday 6 th September
Half Term	Monday 24th - Friday 28th October
Last Day of Term	Wednesday 21 st December

Spring Term 2023

PD Day	Wednesday 4th January
First Day of Term	Thursday 5 th January
Half Term	Monday 13 th – Friday 17 th February
Last Day of Term	Friday 31 st March

Summer Term 2023

PD Day (school closed to pupils)	Monday 17 th April
First Day of Term	Tuesday 18 th April
May Day Holiday	Monday 1 st May
Half Term	Monday 29 th May – Monday 5 th June
PD Day (school closed to pupils)	Monday 5 th June
Last Day of Term	Wednesday 19 th July



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COMMUNITY NEWS



Snailwell's Spring Family Dog Show



Show off your four-legged friends and enjoy family fun at **Snailwell's Dog Show, 7th May, 12 - 4pm**, in the spacious garden of the **George and Dragon** pub. Lucy Fraser MP will open this exciting event at midday and present the 'Best in Show' trophy.



The paw-some programme includes 14 different classes, from 'catch the sausage' to 'cutest eyes' and, most importantly, 'best junior handler aged 7-12.' All category winners receive a rosette and will enter the 'Best in Show' trophy competition. The fun, games (and treats!) won't end there, with a 'have a go' agility session, dog-scenting demonstration, dog-friendly stalls and a raffle. Prizes include dog photography sessions and a leather dog-collar voucher.



The categories:

- Sausage game
- Catch the sausage
- Precious Pup
- Handsome Boy
- Pretty Bitch
- Golden Oldie
- Best Rescue
- Best Junior Handler (aged 7-12)
- Best Teenage Handler (aged 13-17)
- Best Condition
- Cutest Eyes
- Best Mover
- Best Pedigree
- Best Cross Breed



To paw-ticipate and receive an entry form:

£2 per category in advance

£2.50 on the day (it is recommended to book ahead)

Call/text: 07860 607267

Email: fundraising@restore.stpeters.org.uk

All proceeds go to St. Peter's Church, Snailwell, Restoration Fund.



We can't wait to see you and your furry friends!



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