

ISLEHAM WEEKLY NEWS



Week commencing: Monday 5th February 2018

THIS WEEK AT ISLEHAM

Please remember that there will be no after-school clubs running this week due to our Parents' Evenings taking place between 4pm and 7pm on Tuesday 6th and Wednesday 7th February. We look forward to catching up with each of you then about your child(/children).

Please note that your children are welcome to attend the Parents' Evening with you if you do not have childcare for them at home, but all children must please remain with you whilst you are in school for the appointments and listen to what the teachers have to say! There will be no crèche as all staff will be involved in leading the parents' meetings.

We hope your children will all enjoy a super half term at the end of this week. We break up for half term this Friday 9th February at 3.15pm and return to school on Monday 19th February at the usual start time. With best wishes, Mrs Skillern

SCIENCE AMBASSADORS WORKSHOPS FOR YEAR 3 & 4

We were delighted last week to welcome the Science Ambassadors programme to Isleham, initially in Year 3 and 4. The children enjoyed some fantastic workshops with our resident Scientist for the day, about 'Digestion', 'Skeletons' and 'Sound'. We didn't want our new skeleton to go at the end of the day!



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SCHOOL STAFF 'CAR PARK'

I need to please ask all parents and children to avoid walking or driving in the school staff car park area for any reason AT ANY TIME. The staff car park is not a designated parking area for visitors and there should not be visitors or children in this area.

I appreciate that it can be very busy at the beginning and end of the school day to drop off and collect children, and it may seem very tempting to pop into a space if there is one on site, but the school 'car park' is not set up for visitors- it is an area of the school site designated for staff vehicles and school buses/ taxis to help keep them off the road and to leave the roads and pathways clear for other parents and children. We cannot accept responsibility for you, your children or your property in this area. The area is out of bounds for all unauthorised vehicles and persons at all times.

We need to please also ask that dogs are no longer left in the staff car park area at drop-off and pick-up time as this increases the traffic of pedestrians going into the area to retrieve them, and puts the animals at risk if vehicles are manoeuvring. We are a 'no dogs' site and must recommend that pets are not brought onto the school site. Not all of our children like dogs and some are allergic to them.

Thank you in advance for your support,
Mrs Skillern

RECEPTION CLASS CAFÉ

The Reception class children impressed us all with their maths and topic work at this morning's class café. Well done to all.

Dates for other class cafés after half term are listed below. We look forward to seeing you for the remaining class cafés.... Hot drinks and biscuits provided!

Friday 23rd February- Year 4 Class Café 2.30pm

Monday 26th February- Year 1 Class Café 9.00am

Monday 5th March- Year 3 Class Café 9.00am

Monday 12th March- Year 5 Class Café 9.00am



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BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Many happy returns of the day to the children who celebrate their birthdays this week and during the half term break



MENU THIS WEEK



This week's menu options are below:-

Week 2 Week commencing: 6th Nov • 27th Nov • 18th Dec • 15th Jan • 5th Feb • 5th Mar • 26th Mar					
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAINS OPTION 1	Mac 'n' cheese	Hot dog & chips	Pork meatballs	Local pork roast with apple sauce and gravy	Golden fish fingers
MAINS OPTION 2	Veggie sausage roll	Quorn dog & chips	Cheese quiche	Yorkshire pudding and gravy with seasonal roast vegetables	Veggie burger in a bap
MAINS OPTION 3	Jacket potato with cheese and baked beans	Jacket potato with cheese and baked beans	Jacket potato with cheese and baked beans	Jacket potato with cheese and baked beans	Jacket potato with cheese and baked beans
ON THE SIDE	Diced potatoes • Baked beans • Sweetcorn • Tomato bread	Rice • Carrot and swede mash • Broccoli • Seeded bread	Pasta salad • Garlic and herb bread • Corn on the cob • Green beans	Crispy roast potatoes • Creamed potatoes • Garden peas • Baby carrots	Potato wedges • Mushy peas • Spaghetti in tomato sauce
DESSERTS	Oaty apple crumble and custard • Fruit yoghurt • Fresh sliced fruit • Cheese and crackers	Tutti fruity Tuesday • Chocolate krispie treat	Secret garden chocolate cake • Fresh yoghurt granola pots • Fresh sliced fruit • Cheese and crackers	Waffle 'as you like it' • Fresh yoghurt • Fresh fruit slices • Cheese and crackers	Chocolate brownie • Fresh yoghurt • Fresh fruit Valentines Cookie

Salad bar and wholemeal bread available daily. Unlimited fresh fruit available to accompany all desserts.

Tues 6th February is 'Favourites Day'- hence, the changed menu.

On Friday 9th February, we will be enjoying a Valentines Day-themed lunch.



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HANDWRITING AWARDS



The recipients of the first weekly Handwriting award for 2018 last week were:-

Week commencing:-	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
29th January 2018	Bethany	Maizie W	Aurelia	Findlay

Well done to all four children for their super handwriting last week and throughout this school year.

WORLD BOOK DAY VISITING AUTHOR- LOU TRELEAVEN

On Thursday 1st March, World Book Day, we are delighted that a famous children's author- **Lou Treleven** will be joining us for some special workshops based on her wonderful books.

Your children are invited to dress up as book character for the day and Lou will be helping us to judge the best costumes from each year group!

Please find overleaf an order form to use if you would like to **pre-order books by Lou at a special rate**. Ms Sassoli has kindly sorted the books according to age group suitability, based on the books Lou will be sharing with each class in school on the 1st March, and Lou has kindly agreed to inscribe any of the books with a message for your child or the recipient if you wish. PLEASE RETURN ALL COMPLETED ORDER FORMS BY HALF TERM- FRIDAY 9TH FEBRUARY- THE END OF THIS WEEK.

We hope your children will enjoy a wonderful day with Lou.

Also, a huge thank you to everyone who donated books in the spring/summer term last year for Taonga School's new library in Zambia. Unfortunately, looking into costs of shipping, we would need to ship a crate out to Africa with all the books in. This is very expensive! Instead, we will be holding **a book stall every day after school during the week of the 26th February to 2nd March** to sell on these books. We hope to raise money to send to Taonga school for the Headteacher to buy books in Zambia, therefore cutting out the horrendous shipping costs.

Many thanks for you continued support,

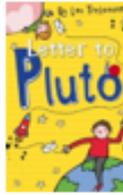
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Children's author Lou Treleven is visiting our school!

To buy a signed book at a special discount, please return this order form to school with your payment by **Friday 9 February** (cheques payable to L Treleven)

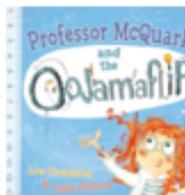


LETTER TO PLUTO (Year 5/6)

A hilarious story of friendship, annoying teachers, planet saving and, of course, letter writing! RRP £5.99

Price	Quantity	Total
£4		

Inscribe to



PROFESSOR MCQUARK AND THE OOJAMAFLIP (Year 3/4)

One day a fantastic idea pops into Professor McQuark's head - but what is an Oojamaflip and can she get it to the science fair? RRP £6.99

Selected for the Summer Reading Challenge 2016

Price	Quantity	Total
£5		

Inscribe to



THE SNOWFLAKE MISTAKE (picture book age 0-7)

When the Snow Queen leaves Princess Ellie in charge of the Snow Machine everything goes wrong! As seen on CBeebies Bedtime Story. RRP £6.99

"All the ingredients of a traditional classic with a delicious modern twist." Lancashire Evening Post

Price	Quantity	Total
£5		

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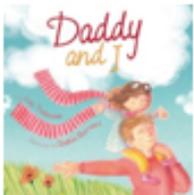
THE SNUGGLEWUMP (Year 2)

Molly's toys are arguing about which of them is loved best. Meanwhile her comforter, the Snugglewump, runs away... RRP £6.99

"This is great fun to share with young listeners." Red Reading Hub

Price	Quantity	Total
£5		

Inscribe to



DADDY AND I (picture book age 0-7)

NEW! Saturday's Daddy day, just for us two, with adventure round every bend in the lane. RRP £7.99

Price	Quantity	Total
£5		

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LITTLE FISH AND BIG FISH

yellow band (Reception) early reader

Big Fish and Little Fish go for a swim. Big Fish thinks he is the biggest fish in the sea... but is he? RRP £5.99

Price	Quantity	Total
£3		

Inscribe to



FAST FOX AND SLOW SNAIL

blue band (Year 1) early reader

Fast Fox and Slow Snail go on a walk in the woods together. Is Slow Snail really lost or does he just like to go slow? RRP £5.99

Price	Quantity	Total
£3		

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Child's name	Class	Total
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SPRING CLEANING REQUESTS

We are always grateful for any donations of smallword figures, dolls, animal/dinosaur/insect figures, lego/construction toys and matchbox size cars or vehicles to keep in the classrooms or to use in early years or breakfast club. If you are having a sort-out at home over the half term break and have any spare toys or figures, we would be very grateful for any donations.

Thank you in advance.

COMMUNITY NEWS

9TH – 11TH April 2018 St Catharine's College, Cambridge

Established at St Catharine's College, Cambridge in 2013, *The Oxford and Cambridge Singing School* is for boys and girls aged 7–13 who love to sing. The singing school was established to give children the opportunity to sing great classical music with world class coaches in a relaxed and fun environment and to develop their confidence and ability in singing and performing. Based at St Catharine's College, Cambridge, pupils will learn some beautiful music and at the same time gain a background in vocal technique, music theory, history and appreciation and much more. The focus of this course will be music to celebrate the Spring, by English pastoral composers.

Families are most welcome to come and listen to a mini-concert at the end of each day.

"Thank you for a wonderful week. My son thought it was fantastic, he loved the range of music and the coaches are all excellent. The week vastly increased his understanding of singing, reading choral music and performance – he has been wonderfully inspired!"

"Thank you. Since last speaking, my son has auditioned and become a ...chorister".

"My son loves your courses. It's the only thing he sets his alarm clock for...."



For more information and to book a space, please visit our website.

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VALUE OF THE WEEK

In our assemblies this week and next, we are thinking about our school value of 'Perseverance'.



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ADULT LEARNING AND SKILLS

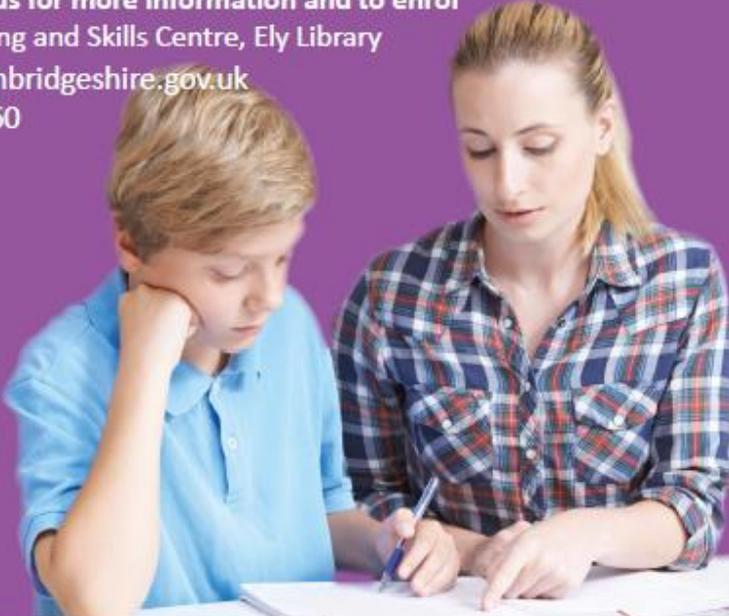
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Want to help your child with English?

Free 5 week course for parents and carers of children in KS1/KS2. Starting on Monday 19th February 12.30pm till 2.30pm covering:

- How to help your children with their homework
- How English is taught in schools today
- Refresh your own skills

Please contact us for more information and to enrol
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SPRING TERM DIARY DATES

Monday 5th February- Year R Class Café 9.00am

Tuesday 6th February- Parents' evening (1 of 2) 4pm-7pm

Wednesday 7th February- Parents' evening (2 of 2) 4pm-7pm

Monday 12th February- Friday 16th February- HALF TERM

Wednesday 14th February- Premier Education Sports Day at Isleham

Friday 23rd February- Year 4 Class Café 2.30pm

Friday 23rd February- PTA School Disco KS1- 5.15pm-6.15pm KS2- 6.30pm-7.45pm



A poster for a school disco event. The background is dark blue with bokeh light effects. In the center is a large, glowing disco ball. The word 'Disco' is written in a white, stylized font with a blue outline on both sides of the disco ball. Below the disco ball, the date 'Friday 23rd February' is written in a large, white, sans-serif font. Underneath the date, 'In the School Hall' is written in a smaller, white, sans-serif font. Below that, the event is split into two sections: 'Key Stage 1 - Reception, Yr 1, Yr 2' and 'Key Stage 2 - Yr 3, Yr 4, Yr 5, Yr 6'. The times '5.15pm-6.15pm' and '6.30pm-7.45pm' are listed under each section. At the bottom, it says 'Entry £2 includes squash and a snack' and 'In order to save on waste and help the environment each child should bring their own named drinks bottle to be filled on the night.'

Disco

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Friday 23rd February

In the School Hall

Key Stage 1 - Reception, Yr 1, Yr 2
5.15pm-6.15pm

Key Stage 2 - Yr 3, Yr 4, Yr 5, Yr 6
6.30pm-7.45pm

Entry £2 includes squash and a snack

In order to save on waste and help the environment each child should bring their own named drinks bottle to be filled on the night.

Monday 26th February- Year 1 Class Café 9am

Thursday 1st March- WORLD BOOK DAY- visiting author

Monday 5th March- Year 3 Class Café 9am

Monday 12th March- Year 5 Class Café 9am

Monday 12th March- Family worker drop-in

Friday 23rd March- Y3 & 4 Football at King's Ely (am)

Monday 26th March- No Clubs during week

Monday 26th March- 1.45pm- Yr 3 & 4 Production (dress rehearsal to rest of school)

Tuesday 27th March- 1.45pm- Yr 3 & 4 production 1 of 2 (entry by ticket only)

Tuesday 27th March- 3.30pm- Resuscitation training- all teachers

Wednesday 28th March- 6.00pm- Yr 3 & 4 production 2 of 2 (entry by ticket only)

Thursday 29th March- Break up for Easter holidays at end of school day

Monday 16th April- Staff Professional Development Day- School closed to pupils

Tuesday 17th April- Children back to school for the summer term



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