

ISLEHAM WEEKLY NEWS

Week commencing: 21st November 2016



'CHILDREN IN NEED' & 'OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD' THANK YOU

Very many thanks to all of you for your support of our 'Children in Need' fundraising day last Friday. There was a fantastic array of cakes available for the children to enjoy (and Pudsey cookies provided by Mrs King and Mrs Marsh in the kitchens for the children at lunchtime, and those competing in the Year 5/6 Tag Rugby tournament too). Congratulations also to the School Council who did a superb job of leading our assembly.



We are also incredibly grateful for your generosity in providing a wonderful number of packed shoeboxes for the 'Operation Christmas Child' project, which will see your gifts shipped to children living in poverty who will not receive any other gifts this Christmas time.



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HANDWRITING AWARDS



The recipients of the Handwriting award last week were:-

Week commencing:-	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
14 th November	Jay	Poppy	Toby K	Tilly

Well done to all these children!

VISIT OF AUTHOR NIGEL BLACKMAN

Photographs of the children enjoying the visit of author Nigel Blackman last week are available in the news section of our website. Mr Blackman ran drawing classes and discussion workshops with all of the children during his visit day.



http://www.isleham.cambs.sch.uk/website/anglo-saxon_author_visit/246542

TAG RUGBY SUCCESS

Congratulations to the Year 5 & 6 mixed rugby team who competed in the East Cambridgeshire Tag Rugby tournament on Friday morning. The children came second overall in the small schools' tournament. Very many thanks to Mr Stevens for his excellent coaching of the team and for their good sportsmanship and team spirit on the day. Isleham School is representing South Africa in the Sports Partnership tournaments this year (-hence the South African flags on display!)



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AFTER-SCHOOL CARE- PARENT SURVEY OF NEED

As you know, we run a very successful Breakfast Club at Isleham Primary School led by Mrs Goldsack and Mrs Drayton.

We have recently been approached by a parent of the school in order to re-evaluate the current need amongst our parents for an after-school care club for their child/children in addition to existing Breakfast Club arrangements.

I would be very grateful if you could spare the time to respond to the survey, which can be found by copying and pasting the weblink below into your internet browser bar. The link can also be found from the 'Breakfast Club' section of our school website in the 'Our School' section.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/L9RF2BY>

The closing date for responses will be Friday 2nd December 2016. Many thanks

BIRTHDAYS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL THE CHILDREN WHO CELEBRATE BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

MENU

Please find below details of this week's school menu. 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

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN	Organic beef lasagne with garlic bread	Chicken and sweetcorn pie with gravy and mashed potatoes	Mega ham and tomato pizza	Roast turkey, stuffing and gravy with roast potatoes	Fish fingers and chips
DESSERTS	Rice pudding with mandarin oranges	Cappuccino cake with organic milk	Wicked fruity Wednesday	Apple pie with custard 50p	Mini flapjack and fruit 50p
	Frozen yogurt	Organic yogurt	Organic yogurt	Organic yogurt	Fruit and yogurt granola pot 50p

Change of menu for Tuesday 22nd November: Chicken grill instead of chicken pie

Special Thanksgiving Lunch

Thursday 24th November

Roast Turkey or Quorn Fillet

Roast Potatoes

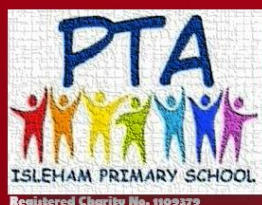
Sweetcorn & carrots

Stuffing & gravy

Special turkey- design cupcakes! Or fruit



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would like to invite you to our annual

CHRISTMAS FAIR & MARKET

Monday 19 December 2016, at school, from 3.15 – 5.30 pm
(following children's carol singing on the playground from 2.45pm).

- 🎁 Local craft, gift and produce stalls
- 🎮 Christmas games, tombolas and lucky dip
- 🍰 Cakes, mince pies and mulled wine
- 🎊 Grand prize draw, carol singing and even a visit from Father Christmas himself!

Come along for some Christmas fun and support your child by supporting the PTA.



WE ARE STILL SEEKING POTENTIAL STALL HOLDERS

Would you or someone you know like to hold a stall at the Christmas Fair & market (3.15pm-5.30pm Monday 19th December)? This event is always extremely well attended, lots of fun and profitable!

We're looking for local craft, gift and produce stalls, toys & books, stationery, jewellery, accessories, pottery & ceramics and any other 'cottage industries'.

So, if you or someone you know feel that your product would benefit from inclusion at our event, please contact us as soon as possible on islehampta@gmail.com

RAFFLE PRIZES 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.

DO YOU HAVE ANY UNWANTED GIFTS OR ITEMS WHICH YOU COULD DONATE TO THE 'FAIR' TOMBOLA?

The PTA are on the lookout for donations of any size and any value for the upcoming Christmas Fair & Market Tombola Stall. Be it unwanted gifts or food items still in their packaging, books and toys in good condition and obviously, it wouldn't be a Tombola without bottles (of any kind, but sealed please)! Bring any items to the office or hand to one of us on the playground. Thank you!



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DIARY DATES- THIS WEEK & REMAINDER OF AUTUMN TERM 2016

- 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 5th December- 2.15pm School Choir to sing at Limestone Close sheltered housing.
- Wednesday 7th December- 2.45pm- school pick-up time- **'Parent Forum' with Mrs Skillern** in the group room- a chance to air any concerns from the term which has almost passed & future suggestions!
- Friday 9th December- last date for after-school clubs this term (NB. There will be no clubs during the weeks of the 12.12.16 & 19.12.16)
- Sunday 11th December- 4pm- School Choir to sing at St Andrew's Church Isleham for Festival of Light.
- 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 Year 1, 2 & 3 Christmas Sing-a-long performance 1 of 2
- Friday 16th December- 9.30am Year 1, 2 & 3 Christmas Sing-a-long performance 2 of 2 **PLEASE NOTE: The Christmas Sing-along includes Year 3 as well as the Key Stage 1 children**
- Monday 19th December- from 2.45pm PTA Event- carol singing on the playground, and Christmas Fair after school
- Tuesday 20th December- End of term- break up for Christmas at end of school day

CLUB REQUEST

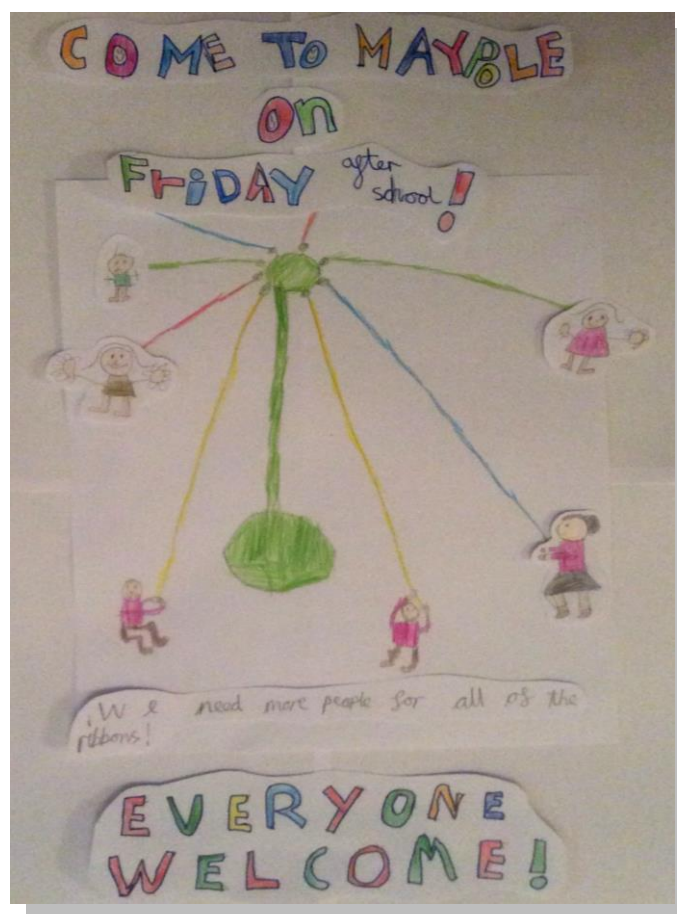
We have 3 more dates left for Maypole Dancing Club after school on Fridays this term.

Last week, we only had 5 children, so Ella, Solomon, Poppy C, Jack R & Millie set about making a poster to encourage more children to come along for the last 3 classes this term

We will be putting on a demonstration for parents in the hall at 4pm on Friday 9th December and need more children to help, so if your child is free on Fridays after school and has been thinking about coming along to Maypole Dancing Club, please let me know via the office.

We can accommodate at least 10 more children! (The club is best suited to children in Year 2 and above)

Thank you.



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