# **ISLEHAM WEEKLY NEWS**

Week commencing: Monday 8th October



## **PARENTS' EVENINGS**

The class teachers are looking forward to seeing you for your booked Parents' Evening appointments this week:-

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October- 4pm to 7pm or Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October- 5pm to 8pm The discussions will take place in the school hall- accessed via the Reception playground door. We hope you will find the session useful. Please be aware that if further discussion is needed beyond your 10-minute appointment time, it may be necessary to book another time to speak with the teacher to avoid long delays for other parents.



Your child may attend with you if you have no alternative childcare, but he/she must be prepared to remain with you whilst you are in school and listen to what the teacher has to say- we are unable to offer a crèche or supervise children who are not being supervised during the appointments.

Thank you.

#### **CLASS ASSEMBLIES THIS TERM**

Well done to <u>our Year 5 Class</u> for presenting their class assembly on Friday. We enjoyed finding out from them about life for Victorian children on the streets and in schools and workhouses.



This week, it is the turn of the Year 4 children to present their assembly <u>at 2.45pm</u>. Entry for visiting parents is via the Reception playground door. Please see the dates below and overleaf, and in our Diary dates compilation at the end of the newsletter:-

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October- Year 4 Class Assembly

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November- Year 6 Class Assembly

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November- Year 3 Class Assembly

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November- Year 1 Class Assembly

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November- Year 2 Class Assembly



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Please note that Reception do not present a Class Assembly in this first term but instead can share their work with parents on a weekly basis via their open classrooms- Thursdays after school until 3.35pm.

## STAR OF THE WEEK



On Thursday afternoon, the following children were awarded 'Star of the Week' certificates...

- Year 1- Mollie Downey for being thoughtful around the classroom and when learning
- Year 2- Millie for hard work across all subjects and an improvement in maths presentation
- Year 3- Autumn-Eve for having a go even when she finds things tricky
- Year 4- Toby for being a great ambassador for the school during a visit from Mr Place
- Year 5- Zac for bring a diligent learner and approaching all tasks with enthusiasm
- Year 6- Macy and Jack for super effort in class and in writing
- WELL DONE TO ALL THESE CHILDREN.

#### **LOCAL VISITOR**

On Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October, Year 4 were delighted to welcome Mr Vernon Place to school; they asked him some prepared questions about what life was like for him growing up in Isleham. They were shocked to hear that getting the cane from the Headmaster was common place and he even got the cane a few times for being cheeky! Also he told us that he heard a huge explosion from Soham one night because the Germans bombed the railway station; a train that was carrying ammunition so it unfortunately destroyed a large area. We also learnt about the evacuees that come to the school from London and how some of them loved the countryside yet some of them were staying with families who weren't too keen to have them and therefore didn't have such a good experience. We were also interested to hear that Isleham used to have a sweet shop – if only that was still the case!

A huge thank you to Mr Place for taking the time to come and speak to us; we learnt a lot and we can't stop talking about it!







# **ASSEMBLIES THIS WEEK**

In our school assemblies each week, we explore some of the school's Christian values and share stories from the Bible. This week, we will be thinking about the stories of **Joseph the Prisoner**- The story of Joseph and the King's dreams (Genesis 39-41) and **Joseph the Ruler**- The story of Joseph in Egypt (Genesis 42-45). We will be focusing on the Christian values of faith, forgiveness, respect and love.



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## **EARRINGS FOR SCHOOL P.E.- OUR SCHOOL GUIDANCE**



If your child is keen to have their ears pierced, we ask that this is please done at the start of the long summer break so that they are not attending school whilst the stud earrings cannot be removed. It is Cambridgeshire County Council guidance that all jewellery, including earrings should be removed for games and swimming so that children do not miss out on the active curriculum in school. If your child is unable to do this independently, please ensure that you help to remove the earrings or jewellery for PE days. We are keen for your children to take part in all lessons in school, including PE, and therefore ask that if your child has recently had their ears pierced, and you still wish them to take part in lessons, you please provide two strong fabric plasters/ plaster strip to go over the ears to reduce the risk of earrings being caught or pulled.

THANK YOU

# YEAR 6 PUPILS TAKE PLACE IN WORLD WAR 1- THEMED ELY CATHEDRAL SCHOOLS' DAY

The Year 6 children visited Ely Cathedral on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October, and were treated to a theatre workshop entitled 'A letter Home' about the role of the post office in aiding communication during the First World War. They also took part in some workshops learning famous songs from the Great War, looking at posters, life for soldiers and airmen & the role of women in the war, as well as the Suffragette movement, before taking part in a moving service which saw thousands of poppy petals scattered from the top of the octagon tower in the Cathedral to remember the many fallen soldiers. As always, our children were a credit to the school. Well done, Year 6.













# **MENU THIS WEEK**

This week's menu options are listed below:-

MEAT FREE C	<b>⊋</b> Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Freshly Baked Bread	Freshly baked wholemeal bread	Freshly baked focaccia bread	Freshly baked ciabatta bread	Freshly baked wholemeal bread	Freshly baked garlic bread
Main Choice 1	Vegetable sausage in a tomato & garlic sauce with penne pasta	Jerk chicken with rice & peas	Beef burger in a bun with lettuce & tomato	Roast turkey with roast potatoes and yorkshire pudding	Fish and chips
Main Choice 2	Macaroni cheese	Vegetable pizza	Vegetable lasagne with garlic bread	Broccoli & tomato pasta bake with melted cheese	Vegetable fish fingers
Available every day	Seasonable vegetables Selection of salads	Seasonable vegetables Selection of salads	Seasonable vegetables Selection of salads	Seasonable vegetables Selection of salads	Seasonable vegetables Selection of salads
Desserts	Apple & Berry Sponge with custard Sliced fresh fruit	Bakewell tart with custard Sliced fresh fruit	Chocolate and orange brownie Sliced fresh fruit	Jam sponge with custard Sliced fresh fruit	Shortbread biscuit Sliced fresh fruit

#### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October- Parents' Evening 4pm-7pm (booking online through Starz+)

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October- Parents' Evening 4pm-7pm (booking online through Starz+)

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October- Year 6 visit to Duxford Air Museum

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October- Year 6 STEM Challenge at SVC

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October- 2.45pm- Year 4 Class Assembly

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October- PTA Non-uniform day- suggested donation of £1 to wear own clothes!

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October- Professional Development Day for staff (School closed to pupils- Premier Education Sport camp on offer- further details provided in leaflet)

Week commencing Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October- HALF TERM WEEK (School closed to pupils)

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