

ISLEHAM WEEKLY NEWS

Week commencing: Monday 19th July 2021



WISHING YOU A SAFE AND HAPPY SUMMER HOLIDAY



On Wednesday this week, we break up for the summer holidays. We hope you and your children will enjoy a super break from school and be ready to re-join us for the 2021-22 academic year from 3rd September 2021 or enjoy their start at secondary school if this is the case.

Our Year 6 children did a great job of presenting their speeches at the leavers' service on Friday, and we were grateful that the rain held off for their party on the field at the end of the day on Thursday.

This week, we are looking forward to our final summer events- swimming classes in school- and the Year 6 residential visit to Thorpe Woodlands.

Although there has been a partial lifting of some restrictions for schools regarding bubbles from today's date, we will be keeping all safety measures the same this week.

As most of you are aware, I am not able to attend the school site this week due to isolating, but can be contacted via the office email address with any concerns or queries.

Stay safe and well this holiday time, and thank you for all your support over this past busy and eventful year.

Mrs Skillern & the staff team



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AMAZING WIN FOR ISLEHAM PUPILS IN NATIONAL NHS COMPETITION



We are so excited to announce that we have 2 regional winners in a national NHS competition from our Year 6 group- Abi and Ophelia- as well as 3 highly commended entrants- Sophia, Lexi and Nicole. All 5 children entered the NHS 'Step into the NHS competition' this year. The girls created a video animation of a drawing showing a patient's journey and the NHS staff who look after them. Abi & Ophelia each receive a regional winner certificate and a £25 Amazon voucher each. All regional winners were invited to present their entries to a panel of judges via video call on 18th June and had a special presentation assembly and photoshoot on Thursday last week. Look out for the newspaper report about the girls' win in the local press over the summer holidays! We couldn't be more proud of these talented girls. Well done!

If you would like to view the girls' amazing video, please find the link here:-

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gqd3hWirfJ4>



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YEAR 1 CASTLE CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

Congratulations to our Year 1 children for their fantastic castles created this week.



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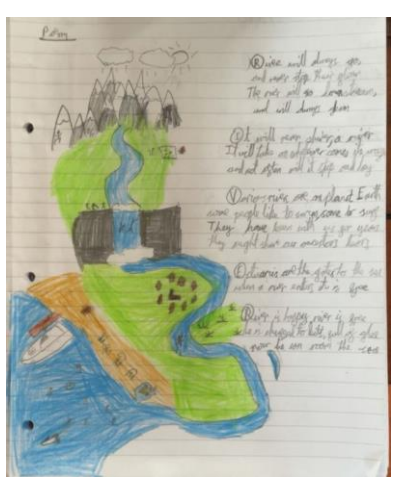
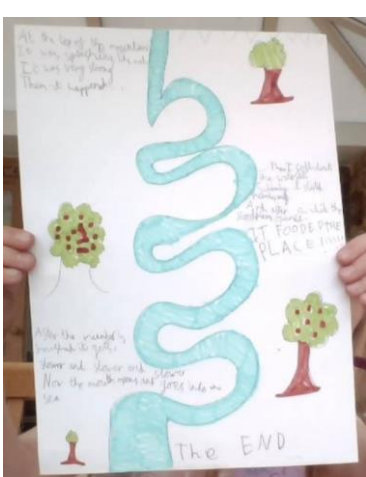
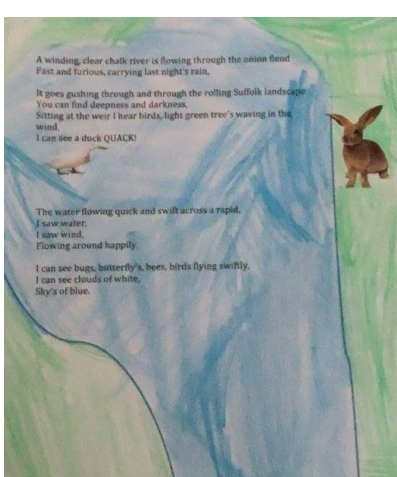
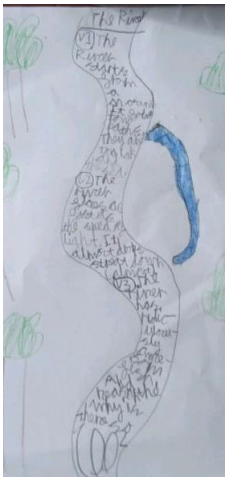
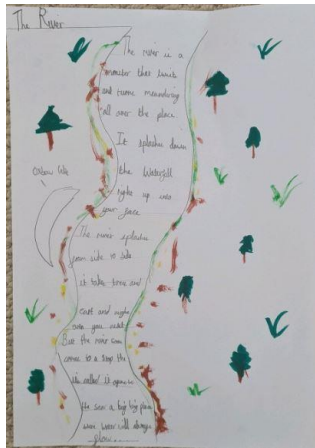
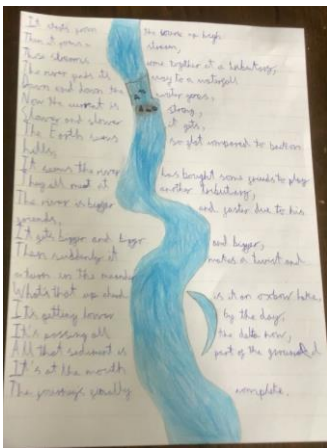
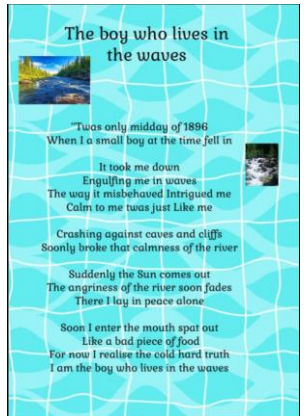
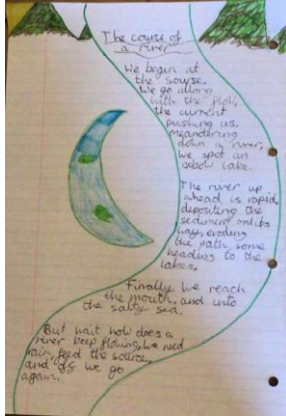
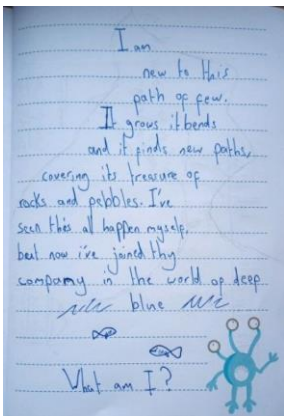


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YEAR 5 RIVER POETRY

These fantastically attractive river poems were created by Year 5 children last week.

Well done to Aurelia, Dexter, Giselle, Henry G, Lila, Lilly W, Louisa, Remi, Reuben, Sophie, Soren & Ted.



ASSEMBLIES & MUSIC THIS WEEK

This week we will be thinking in our Picture News assembly about the following question:-



We will also be considering our Christian values and the end of the school year with this question:-



We will also be wishing our leaving staff well as they move on to pastures new.

SCHOOL MENU THIS WEEK

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Freshly baked bread	Poppy seed bloomer	Wholemeal	White bread
Menu choice 1	Macaroni Cheese	Beef Burger in a Bun	Fish fingers
Menu choice 2	Jacket Potato with cheese	Jacket Potato with cheese/tuna	Fishless 'fish' fingers
Menu choice 3	Cheese roll	Cheese roll	Cheese roll
Desserts	Fruit Flapjack Sliced fresh fruit	Strawberry Mousse Sliced fresh fruit	Cupcake Sliced fresh fruit



SUMMER LEARNING

Help for parents over the summer

If parents wish to support their child's ongoing learning in the summer holidays, please check areas to work on in your child's end-of-year report, and encourage daily reading and perhaps a summer holiday diary to share on return to school in September.

The BBC have also announced that the **CBeebies Storytime App** is ideal for inquisitive Key Stage 1 children, and their episodes of **Bitesize Daily on the BBC iPlayer** are **entertaining too**.

Early Years Teaching resources - CBeebies Storytime App The CBeebies collection of apps are all free to download. All episodes of Bitesize Daily will be available on the BBC iPlayer to help children catch up over the summer.

The clips are organised according to age range:

Bitesize: 5-7 year olds, Bitesize: 7-9 year olds and Bitesize: 9-11 year olds



TERM DATES- SUMMER 2021 INTO AUTUMN TERM 2021

THE WEEKS AHEAD

19th-21st July- Year 6 residential visit to Thorpe Woodlands

21st July- last day of summer term all pupils

22nd July- Professional Development Day for staff- school closed to pupils

1st September- Professional Development Day for staff- school closed to pupils, home visits to new intake Reception families

2nd September- Professional Development Day for staff- school closed to pupils, home visits to new intake Reception families

3rd September- Year 1 to 6 autumn term starts, home visits to new intake Reception families

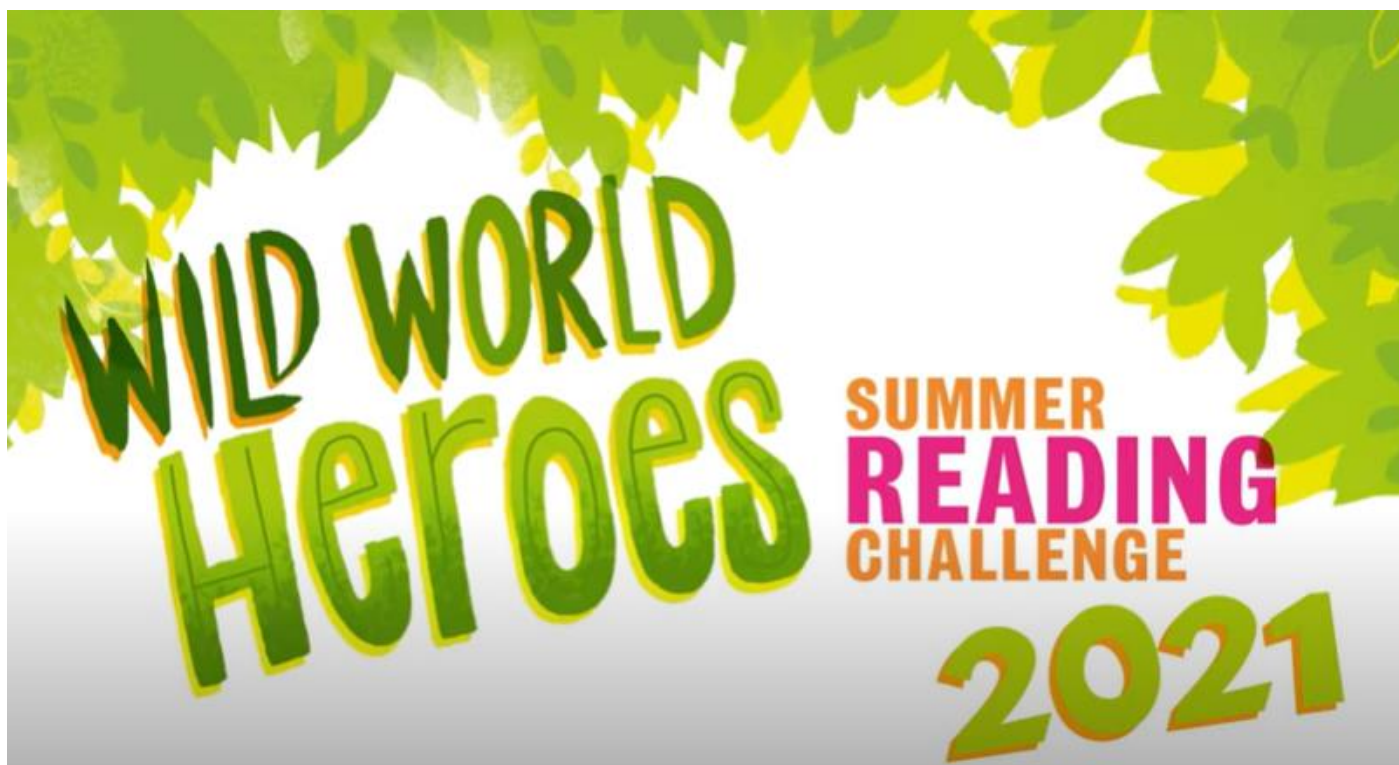
6th September-New intake Reception pupils start full-time



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COMMUNITY NEWS

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE



Here is the link to the website for more information about this year's Summer Reading Challenge which is delivered in partnership with our local libraries. Sign up in person in one of our local libraries (Soham, Ely, Newmarket, Mildenhall etc.) OR online like this:

<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

Choose a summer reading goal – we recommend six books, but you can challenge yourself to read as many as you like! Each time you finish a book, add it to your website profile to unlock special badges and activities. You'll unlock a Wild World Heroes certificate when you reach your summer reading goal.

If you already have a website profile from a previous Summer Reading Challenge, you can sign in to get started with Wild World Heroes. If you're taking part online for the first time, you'll need a parent or carer to help you sign up – click the 'Join' button at the top of the page to get started.

<https://youtu.be/rC2rCmcsLfA>



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WILD CATS FOOTBALL FLYER



Creating equality in youth football and inspiring the next generation of women footballers

A little over 2 years ago, Danny Clark, with support from Isleham Football Club and The FA Wildcats, established Isleham Wildcats to introduce football to girls aged 5-12. From the very first session, the turnout has been exceptional with so many girls wanting to get fit, make friends, have fun and learn football.

Despite a bit of interruption in 2020, Isleham Wildcats continues to go from strength to strength, with new faces every week and a regular attendance of 20 to 30+ girls from Isleham and the surrounding villages.

Danny and the team of Livi, Liam, Graham and Jamie have used the Wildcats as the foundation and development path for creating the two new Isleham Youth FC teams for U10 and U12 Girls.

Wildcats starts up again on 1st August and we're looking forward to welcoming back everyone as well as many more new faces!



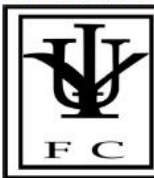
Isleham U10 Girls are looking for players to join our newly formed team!

Training starts in August at 6-7pm on Thursdays. Come along to the next Wildcats session Or contact Jamie and Graham on Facebook:



Isleham U12 Girls are looking for players to join our newly formed team!

Training starts in August at 6-7pm on Thursdays. Come along to the next Wildcats session Or contact Livi and Liam on Facebook:



LUCIAN'S BATTLE

As many of you are aware, one of our Year 3 pupils (Lucian) was diagnosed with leukaemia in October 2019, just 8 weeks before his 7th birthday. Lucian has been through a lot since starting his treatment and is responding well to treatment, but he still has around 18 months of treatment to go. Leukaemia has robbed Lucian of the last 18 months of his young life and even caused him to be wheelchair bound for a year. This was mostly due to some of the medication he had been given. But thankfully after an operation to repair the damage, he has started to be able to walk again, and is able to attend school much more regularly and be with his friends. Lucian has been incredibly brave throughout his treatment, and it has been great to have him in school whenever possible. His parents are looking to put a smile back on his face with a trip to Disneyland Paris later in the year. If this is something you feel you would like to support, a link the family's fundraising page is included here:



<https://uk.gofundme.com/f/qe8y8q-lucians-battle>



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