

March 2025 – Newsletter

Message from the Head Teacher

It's been a great start to the summer term, with excited and keen children, in school. We had a visit from the Education Leader from the Ely Diocese, Jon Young, and he was impressed with the politeness, respect and diligence in learning, so well done all!

I hope that you have seen the information from the Governing body, in regards to the appointment of Mr Matthew Brough as the new Headteacher for September. I have now had the opportunity to meet with him, on several occasions, and fully endorse this decision! He will be a fantastic fit for the school, as someone who has the children at the heart of his decisions. The interview days were an intense process and there were several other strong applications, but he showed himself to be the one with the most skill, experience and would continue with the ethos of the school. I wish him well for the future, and feel sure that you will all give him a warm Isleham welcome.

With regards
Dawn Deacon

Sun cream

As we head towards some sunnier days (hopefully) the children will need to wear sun cream and bring into school a hat to wear. Please administer this cream at home, before coming into school for the day. This is sufficient for the play and lunchtime and prevents the children from having to administer their own cream. You can imagine a class of 30 young children, all trying to put on sun cream before going out to play. By the time that they are all helped to place this cream on their arms and legs, it is time to come in!

We also have it written in policy, that we may help with such self-care tasks, but we do not place the cream onto the children.

Collective Worship



This half term the children will be learning about the Christian value of respect, in the collective worship sessions. They will also learn about Pentecost.



Things from home

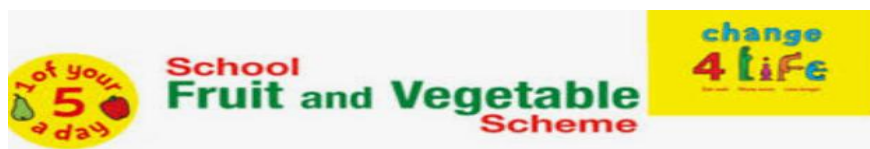
Things from home should be avoided from being in school, especially toys and games. We cannot be responsible for individual items and they may become lost or used by others.

Thank you for your consideration with this matter.

Morning Healthy Snack

Children in Years R, 1 and 2 have the healthy fruit scheme to ensure that they have access to a fruit or vegetable snack each day. Unfortunately, the scheme does not extend to children in Years 3, 4, 5 or 6. This means that parents/carers do need to send the children in with a fruit or vegetable snack each day, if they would like to ensure a snack. Sometimes, we have spare snacks and these are taken to the older classes, but this is generally only true at the end of a week.

Please could the snacks also only be a fruit or vegetable. NOT a snack bar or sandwich.



Important Dates

Week beginning 12th May - SATs week for Year 6 pupils, with a breakfast each morning.

Thursday 22nd May - Break the rules day – This will be a fundraiser for the school to purchase the final 2 interactive whiteboards. £2 to go to school in non-uniform, and maybe £1 or £2 to purchase other items, such as nail painting, tattoos or treat snacks.

Week beginning 2nd June – Year 4 multiplication check

Week beginning 9th June – Year 1 phonics screening check

24th June – Year 6 science event for the whole school, over the afternoon. Year 6 parents are welcome to attend from 3pm.

Tuesday 8th July - Sports Day

Friday 18th July - End of Year reports sent home

Wednesday 23rd July - Last day of term

Term Dates 2025

Autumn 2025

Monday 1 September to Friday 24 October (40 days)

Isleham Professional days on Monday 1st September and Tuesday 2nd September 2025. (NO children in)

Wednesday 3rd September (first day of school for Years 1-6)

Half Term: Monday 27 October to Friday 31 October

Monday 3 November to Friday 19 December (35 days)

Christmas Holidays: Monday 22 December to Friday 2 January

Spring 2026

Monday 5 January to Friday 13 February (30 days)

Isleham Professional day on Monday 5th January 2026

Half Term: Monday 16 February to Friday 20 February

Monday 23 February to Friday 27 March (25 days)

Easter Holidays: Monday 30 March to Friday 10 April

Summer 2026

Monday 13 April to Friday 22 May (29 days)

Half Term: Monday 25 May to Friday 29 May

Monday 1 June to Monday 20 July (36 days)

Isleham Professional day on Monday 1st June 2026

Summer Holiday: Tuesday 21 July onwards

Isleham Professional day on Monday 20th July 2026