## **ISLEHAM WEEKLY NEWS**

Week commencing: Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2019

#### WELCOME BACK TO THE AUTUMN TERM 2019

Dear Parents,

I hope you and your children had a lovely summer break. It is great to see your children back in school today, and we look forward to welcoming the Reception children to school on Friday.

We look forward to working with your children this year and to a successful term ahead. Please remember to let us know if anything has changed over the holidays- e.g. you have new contact details. Messages can be given to Mrs Skillern or Mrs Deacon on the gate each day or telephoned through to the office in advance of 12noon each day. If you have any concerns or queries about school events, routines or your child, we hope these can be answered and responded to easily. If you wish to speak to your child's class teacher, please let Mrs Skillern or the office know and your child's class teacher will call you when they have a break from teaching that day. Alternatively, Mrs Skillern, Mrs Deacon or the teachers are happy to speak with parents individually once all the children have been sent safely home at the end of the day or respond via email at the end of the day- emails can be sent through to <u>office@isleham.cambs.sch.uk</u>

Please ensure your child has the correct uniform and equipment for school. More details of requirements in each year group and the term ahead, your child's termly class newsletter, new home-school book and any reading books will be sent home on Friday at the 'All you need to know' parents' meetings- see below for details. Please try to attend one of the meetings or let us know if you cannot, so that you are aware of the new expectations of home reading and can support your child in their learning this year. (If you have more than one child in school, please attend the meeting for <u>the youngest child</u>, and staff will ensure all of your children's home-school books are available with that teacher to be collected.)

Many thanks, Mrs Skillern

#### IMPORTANT- ESSENTIAL INFORMATION SESSIONS FOR PARENTS THIS FRIDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER

To enhance our working together, and ensure we start the year with great communication and as we mean to go on, we are running 'All you need to know' workshops on the first Friday of term- FRIDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER. <u>Our new home-school communication booklets will be handed out and explained at these</u> <u>meetings, and all essential information about your child's school year ahead will be given out</u>. A crèche will run for school-aged children in the hall, or the children can sit quietly with you in the classroom to listen to the information given if preferred to enable you to attend. Please see timings and locations overleaf.









#### FRIDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER 2019

#### 2.45pm

'All you need to know' parent information session for ALL NEW RECEPTION families in the Reception classroom with Miss Diplock (Reception children will have outdoor playtime with their Year 6 buddies during your meeting)

#### 3.30pm

'All you need to know' parent information session for ALL YEAR 1 families in the year 1 classroom with Ms Abineri 'All you need to know' parent information session for ALL YEAR 2 families in the year 2 classroom with Miss Stanley 'All you need to know' parent information session for ALL YEAR 3 families in the year 3 classroom with Mr Walker 'All you need to know' parent information session for ALL YEAR 4 families in the year 4 classroom with Mrs Airey 'All you need to know' parent information session for ALL YEAR 5 families in the year 5 classroom with Mrs Deacon 'All you need to know' parent information session for ALL YEAR 6 families in the year 6 classroom with Mrs Tait

Crèche available in the school hall

#### SAFETY AT COLLECTION TIMES

Please be aware that the area around our school pond is cordoned off at the moment with temporary fencing as the fence is currently being repaired and replaced. Please watch all children carefully near the pond. We hope to have this work completed within the next couple of weeks.

#### ISLEHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL'S GOLD SCHOOL GAMES AWARD



We are delighted to announce that we have achieved the School Games GOLD Mark Award for the 2018/19 academic year. The School Games Mark is a Government led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community, and we are delighted to have been recognised for our success and sporting achievements across the school. A large number of our children competed in local inter-school competitions this year and active clubs both inside and outside school; we are extremely proud of our pupils for their dedication to all aspects of school sport, including those young volunteers, leaders and officials who made our competitions possible. As part of our application, we were asked to fulfil criteria in the areas of participation, competition, workforce and clubs, and we are pleased that the hard work of everyone at our school has been rewarded this year. Well done to everyone.



#### ZIG-ZAG ROAD SAFETY BANNER COMPETITION



This week, we are encouraging the children to take part in our zig-zag banner design competition. The winning design will be made up into a large banner to be displayed outside the school and there are prizes for the winning entrants too. The main purpose of the competition and the information banner is to:-

- Help us keep the road outside our school safe for pedestrians
- Design your own banner that asks drivers not to park or 'stop and drop' on our Zig Zags

#### Key messages for the banner

Tell drivers that:

- they must not stop their car on the zig zag lines or park outside the school
- It is not safe to stop and drop on the zig zags
- It is not sensible to drive or park in the road directly outside the school
- It is better to 'park (at least 500 metres away from the school) and walk'
- Walking is better for our health and our environment than driving

Designs should please fill an A4 sheet of paper and be either painted or completed in felt-tip pen so that they stand out when copied.

Please submit entries to Mrs Skillern via the office BY Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September NEXT WEEK. Please make sure your child writes their full name in pencil on the back of the entry.

THANK YOU FOR ENTERING THE COMPETITION.

#### **ISLEHAM SWIMMING**



Swimming classes restart this week from Friday for Years 1 to 6- please ensure your child has a swimming hat for their session to protect our pool filter from hair and hair products.



#### **CLUBS AUTUMN TERM 2019**

Please complete the slip below if you would like to sign up for any of the lunchtime or after-school clubs and activities on offer this term by Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2019. Please only arrange or book childcare for after-school clubs once places have been confirmed- we hope to confirm allocations by Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September next week.

Clubs will start from Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September, with the exception of Tag Rugby and Bible Club which start NEXT week as both Mrs Tait and Mr Stevens will be away on residential with Year 6 on the 18<sup>th</sup> to the 20<sup>th</sup> September during the first week of all the other clubs. Please note that in this first term, clubs are not open to Reception children as the Reception staff tend to run activities for them in the lunchtimes outside with buddies.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
School Council with	Cross Country with	Year 4 Science Club	Colouring Club with	Book Club with Ms
Mrs Skillern for all year	Mrs Cole & Ms Cadman	with Mrs Hall for Year 4	Mrs Barber for all age	Abineri for <u>Key Stage 1</u>
group school council	for Key Stage 2 ( <u>up to</u>	pupils- 6 pupils max	groups	children in the library
reps- no need to book.	half term)	per half term		
Reps voted in			Relaxation Club with	
	Book Club with Mrs	Construction Club with	Miss Stanley	
Eco Warriors meeting	Gibbs for <u>Key Stage 2</u> in	Ms Bottomley for all		
with Mrs Deacon for	the library	year groups		
class reps. No need to	Sports Crew with Miss	ICT Club with Mr		
book- reps voted in	Diplock- no need to	Walker for Years 3-6		
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	Performing Arts Club	Bible Club/Choir Club	Tag Rugby Club with	Maypole Club with Mrs
	(Acting & Dance) with	(to 4.15pm) with Mrs	Mr Stevens for Year 3,	Skillern after school
	Miss Minns from	Tait for Key Stage 1 and	4, 5 & 6) after school	until 4.15pm each
	Premier Education	Key Stage 2 (Choir Club	until 4.15pm each	week
	after school until	AFTER half term until	week	
	4.15pm each week	4.15pm each week)		
		. ,	Recorder Club for	
			Years 3 to 6 with Mrs	
			Deacon after school	
			until 4.15pm each	
			week	

#### Name of child \_\_\_\_\_

My child would like to book to attend the following clubs, where spaces permit.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_\_ (Parent/ Carer)



#### **ASSEMBLIES THIS WEEK**



This week, we will be focusing on our school rules and finding out about the term ahead in our assemblies.

#### MENU THIS WEEK

Please see our menu options for this week below. Please help your child to pick their school menu option in advance each day so that they are clear about what they may like to eat when the register is taken.

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		
Ciabatta	Poppy seed Wholemeal	Focaccia		
Sticky chicken and vegetable wrap	Roast turkey with roast potatoes	Fish fingers & chips with garden peas		
Jacket potato with cheese & beans	Quorn fillet with roast potatoes	Fishless fish fingers & chips with garden peas		
Seasonal vegetables Selection of salads	Seasonal vegetables Selection of salads	Seasonal vegetables Selection of salads		
Cappuccino cake Sliced fresh fruit	Fruit cookie Sliced fresh fruit	Fruit jelly Sliced fresh fruit		



Tues 3.9.19	PD Day
Weds 4.9.19	First day back at school or pupils in Year 1 to Year 6
Fri 6.9.19	First day at school for Reception pupils
FIT 0.9.19	2.45pm Reception 'All you need to know' parents' meeting
	3.30pm All year groups 'All you need to know' parents' meeting
Mon 9.9.19	Bags2School delivered
Weds 11.9.19	3.30pm- Bible club as Mrs Tait (as away next week)
Thurs 12.9.19	3.30pm PTA AGM Group room all staff and parents welcome
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Fri 13.9.19	3.30pm Sports Club (as Mr Stevens away next week)
FII 13.9.19	2.45pm Cllr Goldsack to assembly to judge road safety banner competition
Mon 16.9.19	Lunchtime and After-school clubs start
MON 16.9.19	
Wede 18 0 10	Bikeability sessions for Year 5 children
Weds 18.9.19	Year 6 to Thorpe Woodlands Residential
Thum 10.0.10	3.30pm- No Bible Club
Thurs 19.9.19	Thorpe Woodlands Residential continued
Fr: 20.0.10	3.30pm No Sports club
Fri 20.9.19	Thorpe Woodlands Residential continued Scholastic Book Fair in school all week
Mon 23.9.19	
Mon 30.9.19	Bags2School Bags collected
	1pm-3pm Cool Choices Year 6 workshop
Tues 1.10.19	6pm Full Governors Meeting
Fri 4.10.19	2.30pm- Harvest Festival in St Andrews Church
Mon 7.10.19	NO AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS THIS WEEK DUE TO PARENTS'
	EVENINGS
	Parents' Evening (1 of 2) 4pm-7pm
Tues 8.10.19	Parents' Evening (2 of 2) 5pm-8pm
Thursday 10.10.19	'Hello Yellow' Young Minds Charity Day
Weds 16.10.19	6.00pm Governors Resources Committee Meeting
Mon 21.10.19- Fri 25.10.19	HALF TERM WEEK
Mon 28.10.19	PD Day- school closed for staff training
Fri 8.11.19	6.30pm Resources Committee meeting
Sun 10.11.19	10.45am Remembrance Parade and service in St Andrew's
	Church- House Captains invited to attend
Fri 15.11.19	Flu Vaccinations in group room
Thurs 28.11.19	2.30pm- Christingle Service in St Andrews Church
Fri 29.11.19	2.45pm Carol singing on the Playground
	3.30pm- 5.30pm PTA Christmas Fair
Thurs 5.12.19	6pm P&S Committee Meeting
Mon 9.12.19	1.45pm Year R nativity dress rehearsal
Tues 10.12.19	2pm- Year R Nativity 1 of 2
Weds 11.12.19	10.00am Year R Nativity (2 of 2)
	2pm Year 1 & 2 Xmas play dress rehearsal
Thurs 12.12.19	2pm Year 1&2 Xmas Play 1 of 2
Fri 13.12.19	10am Year 1 &2 Xmas Play 2 of 2
Mon 16.12.19	NO CLUBS THIS WEEK
Fri 20.12.19	Autumn Term ends
Mon 6.1.20	Spring term starts



## #HelloYellow

HAVE A GIRAFFE IN CLASS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE'S MENTAL HEALTH

This World Mental Health Day we're saying #HelloYellow in our school to show young people they're not alone with their mental health.

Wear yellow on 10 October and donate £1 to YoungMinds

YOUNGMINDS.ORG.UK/HELLOYELLOW







### Stepping Stones A course that will help you to: C use positive parenting skills to implement parenting routines support your child's relationships and cope with stress to feel good about themselves development and help them improve behaviour and family

Starts 25 September for 9 weeks Wednesdays 9.30am - 12noon

Promoting positive parenting, this FREE course is designed needs or a disability (with or without diagnosis). for parents with children aged 2-12 with special educational

# Soham Child and Family Centre

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