# **ISLEHAM WEEKLY NEWS**

Week commencing: Monday 7th September 2020



## **WELCOME BACK TO THE AUTUMN TERM 2020**



Dear Parents,

Phew! It was so lovely to finally see all of your children back in school today after the Covid-19 lockdown and summer holiday period, and we look forward to welcoming our new Reception class children tomorrow.

Thank you for your patience at drop-off time and for ensuring your children were aware of the new arrangements.

Please can I ask that families do NOT arrive and queue for the playground until 8.40am at the very earliest though? We are unable to send the children through to classrooms until 8.50am at the earliest, so the pathway becomes congested and restricts access for those who need to get into school if the queue is forming too early. It also means that our separate bubble groups are waiting together for a longer period of time in the playground before school starts. Thank you for your understanding.

We look forward to working with your children this year and to a successful term ahead.

Just a few reminders about collection time. Please arrive AT your child's scheduled collection time to start queuing along the correct lane for your child's class. Once you are queuing in the lane for your child's class, you will need to continue along the lane to the collection point at the end as there is no provision for parents to wait to the side to let others go by and we cannot dismiss the children quickly and safely if we have parents trying to wait for a different class.

We will endeavour to keep siblings to the end of the queue, so that they join the oldest sibling and all exit at the later departure time with whoever is collecting. However, in the case of Reception children, it would be preferable for the youngest children to be collected at 3pm and then re-queue for older siblings



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when possible with their parent or carer so that they are not waiting a long time and wondering where you are.

Please ensure that you notify the school in writing by email or letter <u>office@isleham.cambs.sch.uk</u> if your child is permitted to leave the school grounds independently. Please note that we cannot release the children without written permission. Please also be aware that if your child is being permitted to walk off site on their own, they will need to move away from the school site quickly, and ideally need to meet you away from the school entrance where they may still be parents queuing.

Many thanks again for all your support. Please don't hesitate to get in touch if you have any concerns or queries. A class newsletter will be sent out next week with additional information about your children's learning this term.

With best wishes, Mrs Skillern

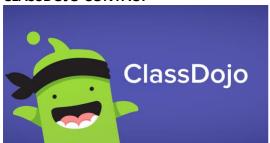
### **PE DAYS**

Children will need to attend school <u>wearing their PE kit</u> on the following days (black leggings or joggers may be worn with the PE kit, and school sweatshirt or fleece). Please note children require a plain cotton white or logo-ed burgundy t-shirt for PE- football tops or other sports tops are not permitted. Thank you

Reception	Thursday
Year 1	Wednesday & Friday
Year 2	Thursday & Friday
Year 3	Monday & Tuesday
Year 4	Thursday & Friday
Year 5	Wednesday & Friday
Year 6	Monday & Wednesday



## **CLASSDOJO CONTACT**



In the absence of home school books this year, the messaging and portfolio sections of ClassDojo will be used to log your child's reading and any homework tasks, and as a quick way of messaging between parents and the school. Please ensure that you can log into your parents account for ClassDojo and let Mrs Skillern know if you are unable to. <a href="head@isleham.cambs.sch.uk">head@isleham.cambs.sch.uk</a> Your children will be provided with their QR code log-in to ensure they can access their own portfolio and class story both in school and at home. The QR codes are the same as those issued during lockdown. Please note that teachers will be recording on the portfolio section if your child has read in school. Please read with your child every night and let us know which page you have read up to. Children may also make a comment about the book when they have finished it and/or write a book review. This way, we will also be able to check which books need changing.

## **CLUBS AUTUMN 2020**

As children will be based in class bubbles for the foreseeable future in school, we will not be running mixed class clubs initially this term. A Premier Sport club will run after school for Year 5 on Tuesdays and Year 6 on Thursdays this half term. Details will be forwarded later in the week to those classes directly.

# **YEAR 6 HOODIES & POLOS**

A reminder please that all Year 6 hoody and polo shirt orders need to be in the office by Wednesday this week please. Please return your form stating whether you give permission for your child's name to be included in the class list whether or not you wish to order any tops in addition to the free top provided generously by the PTA.

## **OFFICE CONTACT FORMS**

The Office will be emailing forms for your signature later this week, including this year's home school agreement. Please return these as quickly as possible. Thank you in advance.

# **DIARY DATES**

We will finalise dates for your diaries this week and include them in the newsletter.



## **ASSEMBLIES & MUSIC THIS WEEK**



Our assemblies this week will focus on the return to school, generosity and the story of Johnny Appleseed, the Brazilian Kayapo tribe and Revd Cleugh will lead our Tuesday assembly.

We will be learning to use some BSL signs to accompnay songs of worship. Feel free to check out the video by teenager Abigail Helen if you would like to practise at home.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mLfewZQfGm4

Music lessons will take place in school this term, but in line with guidance, only half of the class will be singing at any one time.

### **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.





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