



Ickniel
Primary School

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Friday 17th May

Diary Dates

May	22 nd – Anti-bullying workshop Y6 22 nd – Pre-Loved School Uniform 3.20pm – 3.45pm 24 th – Last day of this half-term
June	3 rd – Pupils return to school 3 rd – Class Photographs w/c 3 rd – Y5 Bikeability

Sawston Fun Run

It was wonderful to see Sawston so full of runners and walkers on Sunday morning. The Ickniel team saw many pupils and parents taking part and we all thoroughly enjoyed the wonderful community feel of the event. It was a super hot day so well done to everyone who completed the walk/run!! We hope the rest of your Sunday was more relaxing.

SATS week

It has been a quiet week in school this week as Owls have been carrying out their annual SATS tests. These are a culmination of their primary school years of learning and their results will be passed to their subsequent secondary schools. The SATS breakfast club proved to be very popular with many croissants being consumed before they took their tests. Thank you to all our visitors who acknowledged the polite 'Sssh please keep quiet' posters around the building. Your support is greatly appreciated.



Thank you to all the members of staff, particularly the magnificent Year 6 team, for your hard work and effort in enabling the children to sit these tests. The children have managed this week in a calm and purposeful way and the 'can do' attitude of the entire Ickniel staff team is testament to this.



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Year 6 - Anti-bullying workshop

The Anti-Bullying Ambassadors of Sawston Village College are a group of pupils from years 7-11 who support pupils and promote positive relationships in the school community. As part of their community action campaign, they are delivering friendly, informative workshops to primary schools, to keep young children informed and educated about bullying behaviour and its effects on people. This workshop will contain information about how to spot bullying behaviour, how to be comfortable and brave when reporting bullying or unkind behaviour to trusted adults, and awareness of different types of bullying. We are looking forward to welcoming them to school on the 22nd May to work with pupils from Owls Class.

Megson Folk Concert

We are very excited to be welcoming The Megson Folk Duo to school on Thursday next week. They will be performing 2 concerts, 1 to KS1 and another to KS2. The younger children will have the chance to sing along with songs and actions, whilst the older children will learn more about what folk music is all about. The children have been listening to some of these songs in our weekly singing assembly and have really enjoyed them.

Here are the links to Red Bird and All Around the Kitchen, which will be in the younger age concert:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zqimmbUxZ0k>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-ouzS2kgkbs>

It would be super if some of you could watch these with your children so that they can learn some of the actions in time for Thursday's concert.

Trips

This term is a busy term for trips and staff are planning these for classes. We have been very fortunate to receive grants for some of our school trips from John Huntingdon and donations from FIPS for each class trip. These contributions help to reduce the cost of trips as the most expensive part of a school trip is the coach which costs between £800 and £900 per trip. If parents or carers would like to contribute a further donation when they are paying for their child's trip, this is now possible via MCAS. We appreciate your support with this.

Water bottles and sun hats

This is a reminder that your child should have a named water bottle in school every day. This should be filled with water, not squash. As the weather starts to get warmer the children will be encouraged to take regular water breaks and refill their water bottle. Your child will also be expected to wear a sun hat when they are outside during hot weather.



Premier Holiday Camps May half term

Max and the Premier team will be holding holiday camps over the Easter holidays. Camps run from 8:45am – 4:00pm from 28th – 30th May. There will be all sorts of fun and games going on that will help keep the children entertained.

To book a place please visit www.premier-education.com

The HAF programme is open to children in receipt of free school meals and enables families to receive free childcare during school holidays. If you fall into this category, please make the Premier team aware when making your booking.



Class Photographs

Just a reminder that on the first day back after the half-term break, Braiswick - the school photographer will be on site to take class photographs. These are a lovely memento of the children with the rest of their classmates. Please remember smart clothes and big smiles are in order!

Y5 Bikeability

Parents are reminded that Year 5 are taking part in Bikeability in the first week of school after the half term break. Children will need to bring a working bicycle to school with them and the wearing a cycle helmet is compulsory. Children who do not have a cycle helmet with them will not be able to participate.

Getting busy with our Gardening

Thanks to money raised by FIPs we installed our polytunnel and the children are now helping to get it put to good use growing sweetcorn, green beans, courgettes, peppers, tomatoes and more.

But with all gardening there is always the need for some manual labour and the children have also been very helpful moving barrow loads of compost over to the polytunnel.



Pre-loved School Uniform

Weds 22nd May 3.20-3.45pm in the school hall, free or voluntary donation, pre-loved school uniform will be available.