



**Ickniel**  
Primary School

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Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2025

Diary Dates	
April	4 <sup>th</sup> – Last day of term 22 <sup>nd</sup> – Staff training day 23 <sup>rd</sup> – Pupils return to school 28 <sup>th</sup> – After School Clubs restart this week 29 <sup>th</sup> – Y2 visit to London
May	5 <sup>th</sup> – Spring Bank Holiday (School closed) 11 <sup>th</sup> – Sawston Fun Run w/c 12 <sup>th</sup> – Year 6 SATS week w/c 19 <sup>th</sup> – Reception/Ducklings Balanceability week w/c 26 <sup>th</sup> – Half-term holiday

### World Autism Awareness Day



School was full of blue accessories on Wednesday as we marked World Autism Awareness Day. In her assembly Mrs Mitchell talked to the children about how we are all different to each other, how we are all good at different things, like different things and we react to different things in different ways. Mrs Mitchell talked about how we can support and be kind to each other and linked this to our school values of being caring and unique.

### Premier Easter Holiday Camp

With Easter fast approaching our friends at Premier Education are offering holiday camps for children. This is a perfect place for children to meet their friends and make new friendships while staying active. Camps will run from Monday 7th April to Thursday 17th April Please follow this link to book your April [Please follow this link to book your place.](#)

### After School Clubs

Thank you for returning your completed club request forms. Please note the new after school clubs will restart during week commencing 28<sup>th</sup> April 2025.

### Rocksteady Concert

The Rocksteady bands were on great form this week when they put on a marvellous concert to their parents. The audience were thrilled to hear The Bloodthirsty Hounds, The Rockin' Kit-Kats, The Sigmas and The Horrid Henry's perform so wonderfully. Well done to all of you!

Sadly, Henri was not able to attend so we could not wish him luck in his new area, but we asked Jake from Rocksteady to pass on our best wishes to him. Next term we will be welcoming Roberto and Susannah to school. If you would like your child to join Rocksteady, please click on the QR code below, or visit [www.rocksteadymusicschool.com](http://www.rocksteadymusicschool.com)



### Lunch ordering

Innovate will be providing a new lunch menu for the Summer Term. The menus are now on display in the notice-boards around the school playgrounds and are also displayed on the school website.

<https://icknielprimary.org/parents/school-menu-send/>

Can we please remind parents to pre-order meals for week commencing 21<sup>st</sup> April by mid-night on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> April.

### The Ickniel Arts Council

Thank you to everyone who applied to be on the Ickniel Arts Council. We received 49 applications, with many great ideas. It was impossible to only choose a few children, so we will be organising Arts Councils in each year group from Year 2 to Year 6. If your child applied, they will be on their class council. There will be one lunchtime meeting (about 15 minutes) per class in the next two weeks. The children will be informed of the date by their teacher.

### Sawston Fun Run

We are delighted to notify you that we have been named as a beneficiary of the Sawston Fun Run this year. The event takes place on the morning of Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2025. The race starts at 10:30am and medals, certificates and goody bags will be awarded to all competitors. There are 2 routes to choose from, either the original 7.4k/4.6 mile route, or the shorter 3.8k/2.4 mile route for the much younger or much older participants. If you would like to help or support the event you can do so in a variety of ways. These include signing up online to take part in the event at [www.sawstonfunrun.co.uk](http://www.sawstonfunrun.co.uk) or by making an online donation to support this year's 24 beneficiaries. Those taking part can also support the event and beneficiaries, by collecting sponsorship, and as a beneficiary, we can retain 50% of the money that members of the Ickniel community raise. **Please State Ickniel on your sponsor form.**

### Miss Graves

We are delighted to let you know that Miss Graves will be getting married over the Easter holidays. Year 1 will have to get used to her new name, Mrs Evans when we return for the summer term. I am sure you will join me in wishing her and her new husband much happiness for the future and a very enjoyable wedding day.



### Cambridge City FC

As part of Careers Week, Alice Dewey came in to talk to some of the children about her job as Cambridge City FC's General Manager. As a result of that, Alice brought in a letter for every child entitling all under 16s and 1 adult in for free of charge to their last home game of the Season. This takes place on Easter Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> April, against Sporting Bengal. This is a 3pm kick off and the club want to fill the stadium with Icknield Primary School, can we do it? This will be their Legends Day, could you be the next Legend of Cambridge City either on or off the pitch?

### Easter Activities

#### Easter fun in The Challis Gardens

On Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> April the Challis Gardens are opening for a morning of Easter fun. Between 10:00am and 12 noon there will be an array of fun games and activities taking place. Perhaps you would like to be creative in Judy's painting studio or maybe try your hand in the Kidzone where games, a nature trail or some den building is taking place. If that all sounds quite strenuous, perhaps just enjoy a cup of tea and some cakes, or maybe some of Andy's home-made soup. It sounds like a lot of fun – this is a free event, but the Challis Trust are asking if visitors could make a small donation towards their work.



#### The Potting Shed at Stapleford Granary

On 10<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> April our friends at Stapleford Granary will be celebrating spring-time with some fun-packed creative days! There will be pots to decorate, beans to plant, some racing clockwork chicks, tasting and identifying lots of fruit and vegetables and much more! The Granary's beautiful historic Orchard will be open (weather permitting) and the coffee-horsebox will be serving Easter treats.

[Here's](#) a website link. The Potting Shed is suitable for age 3+ and costs £5 per participant. It's a drop-in activity (no need to book) and open from 9:00am - 12:00pm and 1:30pm - 3:30pm each day.

### Cambridge City FC Football Camps

Cambridge City FC are holding another holiday camp over Easter. They will be hosting the camp Monday to Wednesday during both weeks of the Easter Holidays. The sessions are tailored for boys and girls between the ages of 7 and 12 and run from 10:00am to 2:00pm each day. There are various ticket options available – please click on the link below for more information.

[Easter Holiday Camp | CCFC](#)