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Friday 23rd May 2025

Diary Dates	
May	w/c 26 th – Half-term holiday
June	2 nd – Pupils return to school 2 nd – Class Photographs 3 rd – Year 1 visit to Hunstanton 9 th – Reception visit to Mountfitchet Castle 11 th – Year 4 visit to Cadbury's World w/c 16 th – Year 5 Bikeability 17 th – R2025 new parents evening 27 th – Sports Day 27 th – FIPS Summer Fete

HEADLINE NEWS - Year 5 Maths Challenge



We are thrilled to let you know that the Year 5 team were very successful at the Maths Challenge they took part in this week at Harston & Newton Primary School. They came **first** against 10 teams from other local primary schools. This is a tremendous result, and we are all so proud of them. Miss Aboujeb was grinning from ear to ear with delight and commented on how well they had worked together as a team. There were a variety of maths challenges including rounds covering estimation, roman numerals and logic problems. Well done to the team, and a big thank you to the parents for transporting the team to and from the event and for staying on to support. We are now looking forward to the final which takes place in the second half of the summer term.

Year 2 Class Assembly

It was wonderful to see so many of you in school this week to watch the Year 2 assembly. The children shared how they had learnt all about Katie and her cousin Jack's visit to London with Grandma. Katie and Jack didn't think that there would be much to see and do but were amazed by all that they saw – as were Year 2 on their recent trip! Well done Hedgehogs!

Ducklings Balanceability

Ambitious | Caring | Creative | Honest | Inclusive | Resilient | Unique



Ducklings have had a super couple of days this week with Mr Norley from Outspoken. They have learnt how to balance on and manoeuvre the balance bikes around the playground. The children were super excited to spend time outside, trying out their new skills. Andrea said "I really enjoyed the games that we played. Larry was really kind"



Year 5 visit to St Mary's Church

Year 5 visited St Mary's Church on Wednesday of this week to deepen their understanding of the Eucharist as part of their Religious Education learning. It was a valuable opportunity to connect their classroom studies with real-life faith practices. Rev Waite showed the children the vessels that are used during communion.



Class Photographs



Please remember that on the first day back after the half-term holiday, Braiswick photographers will be in school taking class photographs. These are wonderful mementoes of your child's time here at Icknield and will be available to purchase online. Please remember smart jumpers and big smiles on the first day back!

Traffic outside of school

Could we please remind parents to be thoughtful and aware of their surroundings at pick up and drop off times. Whether you are collecting at normal school time, or after one of the many after school activities, please check around you in case a child is walking by or are on their bicycles near you. Could we also please ask you to be considerate of our neighbours and to not park across driveways or in a way that may cause an obstruction to their homes. Thank you very much.

Parenting Workshops

Sam Stacey, our Education Inclusion Family Advisor, has sent us some information about some up-and-coming courses that may be of interest to you.

During the summer term there are online courses that can support your family with creating healthy relationships, or perhaps sessions around digital safety or sleeping issues may be more helpful. Please see the two attachments coming to you with this newsletter. If you have any questions about these workshops, or need to speak to Sam please email her on

Samantha.stacey@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

Job Opportunity

The team from Outspoken are looking for cycle instructors to join their Bikeability team. If you have loads of enthusiasm to share and are looking for rewarding work to deliver during school term time, they would love to hear from you. The role has variable hours, and the rate of pay is £13.20/hour

plus holiday pay. There is an employee benefits scheme too! Full free training and ongoing support will be provided including nationally recognised qualifications. For more information, please contact: jobs@outspokentraining.co.uk or call (01223) 473820

Lunch Orders

Can we please remind parents to pre-order school meals for the first week back by midnight on Saturday 31st May.

Holiday Camps

The Premier team will be in school during the May half-term break, running their fun holiday camps. These will run from Tuesday 27th – Friday 30th May from 8:45am – 4:00pm. To book your place, please click on the link below.

[The Icknield Primary School – Premier Education](#)

Cambridge City Football Club are also running their football camps for boys and girls during the holidays. The sessions take place on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10:00am – 2:00pm. The sessions are aimed at children from 7 – 12 years of age and can be booked on the link below;

[May Half Term Holiday Camp | CCFC](#)

Half term Activities

- Colleagues at Anglian Leisure at SVC have many exciting events taking place over the half-term break. Try Laser-tag, or trampolining or Krazy Kids Soft Play. To book, call (01223) 712555 or email sawston@anglianleisure.co.uk
- Cambridge Botanic Gardens have many free events taking place as well. On Wednesday 28th May there is a 'Painting with veggies' session taking place from 1:00 – 4:00pm. Or maybe follow the free summer Bee trail. This trail takes you around The Garden to learn all that you need to all that you need to know to be a bee! This trail runs from 28th May until 16th July from 10:00am until 6:00pm
- Don't forget to investigate all that Wandlebury Country Park has to offer. Entry is free and there are 8 miles of waymarked trails to explore. Children can build dens, fly kites, play ball games and perhaps relax after all of that with a well-deserved picnic. On a sunny day you can sometimes see Ely Cathedral – that's a huge 17 miles away!

And finally.....

We hope you all have a wonderful half term holiday - hopefully we will be able to enjoy some dry, sunny weather. This has been a very short half-term, but we are looking forward to much longer and busier second half of the summer term. The end of this academic year is rapidly approaching, and we cannot believe where the time has gone! Please enjoy this break to rest and recharge ready for an exciting second part of the summer term.