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Friday 18th July 2025

Diary Dates	
July	22 nd – Leavers Assembly (Y6 Parents only) 22 nd – Last Day of term
September	1 st – Staff Training Day 2 nd – Pupils return to school



Year 6

Year 6 are rapidly approaching the end of their journey at Ickniel. There are many exciting and fun events taking place over the next couple of weeks for the class to enjoy and celebrate their time with us.

Summer Performance

Those of you who were able to attend will have seen a superb performance of Peter Pan this week. Year 5 and Year 6 sang and acted beautifully. There was not a dry eye in the house!



Leavers Assembly

The year 6 leavers assembly will be held on the morning of Tuesday 22nd July at 9:30am. Year 6 parents are invited to share their final assembly with us on Friday morning at 9:30am. This will be a wonderful opportunity to look back over their time here at Ickniel and to share some special memories. Bring a tissue or two!

School Lunches

We have been informed by our school lunch provider that the cost of a pupil lunch will increase to £2.90 from September. Can we please remind parents of pupils in Year 2 that once your child moves into Year 3 they will no longer be eligible for a universal infant free school meal and so this daily charge will apply. If you feel you may be eligible for free school meals, please click on this link below. www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals

Consent/Permission forms

If you have not yet returned your consent/permission forms for September can you please do so before the end of term. Hard copies are available from the school office if you need another copy. Thank you to those of you who have already done so.

Carrier Bags



Can we please ask all children to bring in a named bag to school on **Monday 21st July**. A strong carrier bag will be perfect for them to use to collect their belongings and exercise books to bring home. As you can appreciate these bags may become quite heavy so your child may need some help additional getting home on Monday afternoon. They may be unable to carry these bags on their bicycles so perhaps a walk home will be in order.

Ducklings Picnic



Ducklings children and their families had a wonderful picnic on the school field earlier this week. They had snacks, games and story time. It was a lovely way to celebrate the end of their first year here at Icknield – well done Ducklings!



Classroom change



We are writing to notify you that years 5 and 6 are swapping classrooms from September. Signage will be put in place so that the children know which classroom to go into on our return after the summer break.



Sawston Fun Run

Mrs Mitchell attended an event at Sawston Village college where she was presented with a cheque from the Sawston Fun Run team as we were one of this year's beneficiaries following an application from FIPS. The money awarded to us will go towards improving dance teaching across school. Thank you to the FIPS

for their support with this.

Summer Reading Challenge

Mrs Cheung from Cambridgeshire Libraries came to see us on Wednesday to introduce this year's Summer Reading Challenge. The theme of this year is "The Story Garden". The Summer Reading Challenge is a fantastic free event that runs throughout the school holidays. It's all about reading for fun, aiming to improve children's reading skills and confidence. The Challenge runs every year throughout the summer holidays, and all children aged 4-11 are welcome to take part.



Children can read anything they like (really - anything!) and collect free rewards for their reading. You can sign up at [your local library](#) and take part in person. A librarian will give you a special collector folder and help you find books to read. You'll collect special stickers and rewards for your reading, or you can take part **online** by signing up [here](#), on the official Challenge website. You'll set up a profile with a reading goal and log your books. When you reach your goal, you will unlock a virtual badge and certificate.

Summer Activities

Whilst she was visiting us, Mrs Cheung told us about the many events taking place in local libraries over the summer. Those in [blue](#) text are part of the Summer Reading Challenge event.



Sawston Library:

Free weekly sessions:

- Wednesdays
Digital Buddy Session 10:00 – 1:00pm
Craft & Chat 2:00 – 3:00pm
- Fridays
Puzzles & games 11:00 – 1:00pm

Chargeable sessions:

- Tuesday 29th July 3:00 – 5:00pm Wildlife Trust: Wilder Stories
- Tuesday 5th August 1:30 – 3:00pm Make a bird feeder
- Tuesday 12th August 1:30 – 3:00pm Origami Flowers & Animals

- Monday 18th August 11:00 – 12:45pm LEGO
- Tuesday 19th August 1:30 – 3:00pm Make a Ladybird Bookmark

Great Shelford Library

Free weekly sessions:

- Tuesdays
Tea & Tablets 2:00 – 4:00pm
- Fridays
Craft & Chat 10:30 - 12:00pm

Chargeable sessions:

- Thursday 24th July 2:00 – 3:30pm Fairy Garden
- Wednesday 30th July 2:00 – 3:30pm Songs of Trees & Flowers (donations requested only)
- Wednesday 6th August 2:00 – 3:30pm Tom's Midnight Garden (donations requested only)
- Wednesday 13th August 2:00 – 3:30pm Lion Learners
- Wednesday 20th August 2:00 – 3:30pm Story Garden Magic Show
- Wednesday 27th August 2:00 – 3:30pm Garden Craft

Cambridge City FC Summer Camps

Our friends at Cambridge City are running their usual football based holiday camps during the summer. Camps run during week commencing 28th July and again during week commencing 26th August. For more information click below.

[Summer Holiday Camp is Live!](#)