



Friday 4th July 2025

School Newsletter #16

Dear Families,

We've had a wonderful few weeks in school, and there's still lots to look forward to as we head into the final part of the summer term.

First, a huge thank you to everyone who joined us for our whole school music concert on Wednesday. The children were absolutely fantastic, and the talent and enthusiasm on show was a joy to witness. It was lovely to see so many families there supporting and celebrating the children's hard work. A special thank you to Miss Bugg and all the staff involved in making the event such a success.

School Communication

Please note that the school office has a new email address. Families should now use office@ickworthparkprimary.org.uk for all general enquiries and communication. We'd be grateful if you could update your contact details accordingly. Thank you!

End of Year Reports

Reports for children in EY-Year 5 will be sent home on **Thursday 10th July**, with Year 6 reports following on **Friday 11th July**. If you would like an additional meeting with your child's class teacher to discuss their report, please don't hesitate to get in touch, we'll be happy to arrange a time before the end of term.

Support Staff

I like to take a moment to thank our incredible support staff for their hard work, dedication and the positive impact they have throughout the school year. Our teaching assistants play a vital role in helping every child thrive and we are truly grateful for all they do each day. We know families are eager to learn which TAs will be working with each class next year. This information will be shared with you on **Friday 11th July**.

ELSA Study

A thank you to all the children who took part in the ELSA study this week. Your involvement is helping important research on the early detection of type 1 diabetes! The children were very brave throughout, and the nurses were impressed by their kindness and support of one another.

Best wishes,

Mrs Reynolds

Diary Dates Summer Term 2025

- **Thurs 10th July** – Year 1-5 reports
- **Fri 11th July** – Year 6 reports
- **Fri 11th July** – Move up afternoon
- **Tues 15th July** – Move up afternoon
- **14th – 15th July** – County High & King Edward transition days
- **16th – 18th July** – St Benedict's transition days
- **Tues 22nd July** – PTA Be Yourself Day
- **Tues 22nd July** – Year 6 Leavers Lunch & assembly & End of term
- **23rd July** – Summer Holiday starts
- **Mon & Tues 1st and 2nd Sept** PD Day
- **Wednesday 3rd Sept** school starts
- **Tuesday 2nd Oct** – School Individual Photos
- **27th – 31st October** – Half Term
- **Thurs 6th Nov** – Flu Vaccinations
- **Thurs 11th Dec** – Reception to see Panto at Theatre Royal
 - **Friday 19th Dec** – PD Day
 - **Monday 5th Jan 2026** – PD Day
- **Thurs 15th Jan** – Spring Census
- **Thurs 15th Jan** – Last day for Early Years Application
- **Tues 10th Feb** – Internet Safety Day including cyber security advisor & KS2 workshops
 - **16th – 20th February** – Half Term
 - **9th – 13th March** – STEM week
 - **30th Mar – 10th Apr** – Easter Holiday

What have we been up to in school?

Year 6 had a fantastic time at Crucial Crew this week, where they learned important lessons about personal safety, emergency situations, and how to make responsible choices in everyday life.



Year 6 House Captains

Total House Points for the term

Saturn - 99

Earth - 72

Mars - 107

Mercury - 100

Year 4 enjoyed a trip to the Sealife Centre in Great Yarmouth where they learnt about the impact of pollution on marine life.



Our value this term is –

Confidence

**BREATHE IN
CONFIDENCE
BREATHE OUT DOUBT**

Subject Leader Spotlight – Music

Hello everyone! I'm Miss Bugg, the Music Lead here at Ickworth Park. Some of you may also know me as the Oak Class teacher or the choir teacher! I feel incredibly privileged to lead a subject that I am truly passionate about—music.

For those who don't know me yet, I trained for four years in Musical Theatre and Dance. My journey began at the Urdang Academy in London and continued at Bodywork Company Dance Studios in Cambridge. But my love for music started even earlier—at just five years old, I was singing in the Bury St Edmunds Cathedral choir.

I believe music is an essential part of the curriculum. It's a highly disciplined skill, but it also offers a powerful form of relaxation and self-expression. For me, music provided a sense of belonging and a focus that made me feel good about myself—and I want to offer that same experience to our children.

My aim at Ickworth is to give every child the opportunity to explore and express themselves through music. Whether it becomes a future career or simply a joyful hobby, music has the power to uplift, inspire, and connect us all.

Let's join together in unison and make music a vibrant part of every child's journey at Ickworth Park!

Attendance

These figures show the attendance of each class up to 03/07/2025

EYFS Elm Class –96.58%

Year 1 Beech Class – 97.12%

Year 2 Oak Class – 97.59%

Year 3 Lime Class – 95.5%

Year 4 Hazel Class – 97.63%

Year 5 Willow Class –97.63%

Year 6 Larch Class – 96.58%

Whole School 96.9%

National average 94.5%

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