



Friday 22nd July 2025

School Newsletter #17

Dear Families,

As we draw to the end of another fantastic school year at Ickworth Park, I would like to take this opportunity to say a heartfelt thank you to everyone who has supported us in so many ways. Whether you've served as a Governor, helped as a PTA member, or volunteered your time to read with the children or accompany trips, your generosity and commitment have made such a difference. Thanks to you, our children have had access to a wide range of enriching experiences that will stay with them for years to come.

Fond Farewells

It is with warm wishes that we say goodbye to Mrs J Marshall, Mrs Irving and Mrs Manning who are moving on to exciting new chapters in their lives. All have given so much to the school and have been deeply valued members of our Ickworth Park community. We wish them the very best of luck in all that lies ahead.

Gratitude for Generous Gifts

On behalf of all the staff, thank you so much for the generous and thoughtful gifts we have received. Your kindness has been incredibly appreciated and has brought smiles to many faces. Your support never goes unnoticed and we are incredibly appreciative.

Healthy Snacks

At Ickworth Park, we are committed to promoting a healthy and balanced approach to food. This extends not only to the meals we serve in school but also to the snacks children bring from home. We kindly ask that families support us in encouraging healthy eating habits by avoiding foods such as chocolate bars and crisps during the school day. We understand that children enjoy a treat now and then, and our Friday tuck shop is a popular highlight! While we do offer cakes and similar items, many of these are homemade and include nutritious ingredients such as vegetables, fruits, and wholegrains.

Important Updates

New office email address: Please note that the school office has a new email address: office@ickworthparkprimary.org.uk.

School lunch price change: From the start of the new term, the price of school lunches will increase to **£2.75** per meal.

As we finish for the year, we wish all our families a restful and happy summer holiday. To those moving on, we wish you the very best, and to those returning - we look forward to welcoming you back in September, refreshed and ready for a new school year.

Mrs Reynolds

Diary Dates Summer Term 2025

- **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**
 - **Sat 20th Sept**- PTA Fun Run
- **Wed 24th Sept** – Year 6 'Be Our Guest' Lunch
- **Wed 1st Oct** – EYFS Phonics Coffee Morning
 - **Thurs 2nd Oct** - Census
- **Tuesday 7th Oct** – School Individual Photos
- **Wed 15th Oct** – Year 5 'Be Our Guest' Lunch
- **Fri 17th Oct** – Whole school informal sharing 2.30pm-3.10pm
- **Tues 21st Oct** – Parents evening
- **Thurs 23rd Oct** – Parents evening
- **Fri 24th Oct** – PTA 'Be Yourself Day'
- **27th – 31st October** – **Half Term**
- **Wed 5th Nov** – Year 4 'Be Our Guest' Lunch
 - **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 2 enjoyed a trip to the Cambridge Botanical Gardens to support their understanding of plants and how to care for them.



Year 6 enjoyed their end of year trip to Legoland. Well done for raising such a huge amount of money this year!



Year 6 House Captains

Total House Points for the term

Saturn - 99

Earth - 72

Mars - 107

Mercury - 100

Our value this term is –

Confidence



Attendance

These figures show the attendance of each class up to 22/07/2025

EYFS Elm Class – 96.57%

Year 1 Beech Class – 97.15%

Year 2 Oak Class – 97.44%

Year 3 Lime Class – 95.56%

Year 4 Hazel Class – 97.39%

Year 5 Willow Class – 97.49%

Year 6 Larch Class – 95.51%

Whole School 96.6%

National average 94.5%

A message from Mrs Manning

I would just like to say how much of a privilege it has been to work at Ickworth Park over the last 19 years and getting to know so many families, I will miss you all very much.

I am looking forward to having a couple of months break catching up on some decorating, gardening and walking.

Hopefully I will bump into you around the estate and in town.

Thank you so much for all the gifts, Have a lovely summer holiday!

Mrs Manning

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