



6<sup>th</sup> September 2024

# School Newsletter #1

## Dear Families,

Welcome Back to a new school year! We hope you have all had a very restful summer holiday.

### Communication

At school we are very happy for you to get in touch with us. If it you need to contact us specifically about your child and how they are in class then your first port of call should be the class teacher via Class Dojo. Class Dojo should be used for non-urgent class matters only as teachers are busy teaching through the day and will not be able to respond straight away. They will also have notifications silenced after 5pm. Please see the Class Dojo protocols on our website for further information.

All other messages, such as changes to collection, payment of school meals or clubs etc then you should use the school admin email: [admin@ickworthpark.co.uk](mailto:admin@ickworthpark.co.uk). This email address is checked regularly by our team of office staff. Please do not use Mrs Manning's personal email as it cannot be guaranteed that she will respond in time to any urgent messages.

For any issues or concerns you may have with your child's learning please use the following email:

[senco@ickworthpark.co.uk](mailto:senco@ickworthpark.co.uk)

### Collection

Please can both sets of parents notify the office when collection arrangements change. We cannot let your child go to anyone else unless we have a prior agreement in place or your permission on the day. If you would like your year 5 or 6 child to walk home we will also need your permission in writing.

### Parking

Unfortunately, we have received multiple complaints about parking in the first three days back! Please can we remind you not to park on the yellow lines, in the pub car park, on both sides of the road or across from residents driveways. The roads are narrow and some residents are finding it difficult to get in and out of their driveways. There is plenty of space to park further down the road.

## Diary Dates for the Autumn Term 2024

- **Sat 14<sup>th</sup> Sept** – PTA Fun Run
- **Thurs 26<sup>th</sup> Sept** – Be Our Guest Larch Lunch
- **Tues 8<sup>th</sup> Oct** - School individual photos
- **Mon 14<sup>th</sup> Oct** – Yr 2 & 4 Parent consultations
- **Tues 15<sup>th</sup> Oct** – Parent Consultations
- **Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> Oct** – Parent consultations
- **Thurs 24<sup>th</sup> Oct** – Be Our Guest Willow Lunch
- **Fri 25<sup>th</sup> Oct** – PTA 'Be Yourself Day'
- **Half Term 28<sup>th</sup> Oct – 1<sup>st</sup> Nov**
- **Mon 4<sup>th</sup> Nov** – PD Day
- **Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> Nov** – Flu Vaccinations
- **Fri 8<sup>th</sup> Nov** – Year 6 trip to Sizewell B

Please see school calendar on our website for more dates.

### Reading Volunteers

We are always pleased to welcome family members as reading volunteers in school. This incredibly rewarding role really does support the children with developing their reading skills. If you think you may have a couple of hours to spare each week we would love to hear from you. Please get in touch on [admin@ickworthpark.co.uk](mailto:admin@ickworthpark.co.uk) for more info

### Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy for a full time teaching assistant. This is the perfect role for anyone who has a passion for supporting children with their learning and who wants to develop their skills in this area further. For further information on how to apply please visit our school website or visit <http://suffolkjobsdirect.org>

## What have we been up to in school?



Following feedback from you last year we have introduced a new PE top as part of our uniform.

I think you will agree that Riley, Dylan and Cerys look very smart in theirs.

Hopefully this will wash well, require no ironing look smarter when competing against other schools and last a little longer! This can be purchased from Aubyn Davis in town. Please don't worry if you do not have one already we will be phasing these in and there is absolutely no expectation that families should purchase items with embroidered school logo's.

PE kits should consist of a red t-shirt or school logo sports top, black shorts or joggers, black hoodie or sweatshirt and black PE shoes.

Please can we remind families that PE kits can be worn on PE days only. On all other days the children should be wearing their uniform, unless attending a school club. Heavily branded items are not permitted.



And finally, we are thrilled that the school has been awarded the Computing Quality Mark. Mrs Asker, who is supported by Mrs Utting, has worked tirelessly to ensure Ickworth Park offers a dynamic and comprehensive computing curriculum across all classes in our school. Watch this space for details on the next computing club offer.

## House Points to 6.9.24

Saturn - 131

Earth - 101

Mars - 171

Mercury - 114

Meet the House Captains for the Autumn Term



We have held our first Friday achievement assembly and it was lovely to hear from the teaching staff just how well the children have settled into their new classes.



## Attendance

These figures show the attendance of each class up to

EYFS Elm Class – 100%

Year 1 Beech Class – 95.2%

Year 2 Oak Class – 96.7%

Year 3 Lime Class - 100%

Year 4 Hazel Class – 91.4%

Year 5 Willow Class – 98.3%

Year 6 Larch Class – 100%

Whole School 97.3%

National average 94.0%

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