



20<sup>th</sup> September 2024

# School Newsletter #2

## Dear Families,

Thank you to everyone who supported the PTA's Fun Run last weekend. It was a lovely day and raised a grand total of £1352.88

We are putting these funds towards developing an outdoor learning space at the top of the playground. We have plans for an enclosed area with an outdoor classroom and better access to the pond that all year groups can use throughout the week whatever the weather. Keep your eyes on the PTA board and the accumulator display in school to see what else has been happening. Please see over the page for a breakdown of the fundraising events that took place in the last financial year.

## Important - Communication

We have noticed that some messages are not reaching the right people, causing delays and confusion. To help us respond more effectively, we kindly ask that you follow these guidelines when contacting the school.

For any matters regarding your child, please reach out directly to their **class teacher**, either in person or via Dojo. Please avoid messaging the class TAs, as they are equally busy throughout the day, and your message will not be addressed any quicker.

If you have concerns about your child's learning or need to discuss additional support such as SEND, ELSA, or dyslexia, please email [senco@ickworthpark.co.uk](mailto:senco@ickworthpark.co.uk)—this is the correct address for these inquiries.

For changes to arrangements or general notifications, please email [admin@ickworthpark.co.uk](mailto:admin@ickworthpark.co.uk).

We kindly ask that you refrain from messaging individual staff members, such as Mrs Manning, the class TAs or ELSA's with any specific requests as they may not be able to reply promptly due to their daily responsibilities.

## Collections

Please ensure both sets of parents have notified the office if one or more of their children are being collected by someone else.

## Diary Dates for the Autumn Term 2024

- **Thurs 26<sup>th</sup> Sept** – Yr6 Be Our Guest Lunch
- **Tues 1<sup>st</sup> Oct** – Elm Class Coffee Morning
- **Tues 8<sup>th</sup> Oct** - School individual photos
- **Mon 14<sup>th</sup> Oct** – Yr2 & 4 Parent consultations
- **Tues 15<sup>th</sup> Oct** – Parent Consultations
- **Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> Oct** – Parent consultations
- **Tues 27<sup>th</sup> Oct** – Year 1 to visit St Leonards
- **Wed 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct** – Elm Informal Afternoon
- **Thurs 24<sup>th</sup> Oct** – Yr5 Be Our Guest 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
- **11<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> Nov** – Anti Bullying Week
- **Tues 12<sup>th</sup> Nov** – Coffee Morning SEN
- **Wed 20<sup>th</sup> Nov** – EYFS Open Evening for Sept 2025 starters
- **Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> Nov** – Yr4 Be Our Guest Lunch
- **Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> Dec** – EYFS Stay & Play event for September 2025 Starters
- **9<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> Dec** Stars & Lights Christmas Festival at St Leonards Church
- **Mon 9<sup>th</sup> Dec** – Elm class to St Leonards Church
- **Tues 10<sup>th</sup> Dec** – Xmas Performance for Good Neighbours

## 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?

### Fundraising Events 2023 - 2024

Tea Towels	£990
EYFS & KS1 performance refreshments	£84
Elf Room	£200.50
Spring Disco	£512.57
Be Yourself Day & Easter	£275.90
LKS2 performance refreshments	£40.09
Sports Day & After School Treats	£258.71



Mr Grimwood our PE lead has invested in some new resources to support the development of Gross Motor skills in Early Years. The children have really enjoyed time on the new ride-ons.

Year 6 enjoyed a trip to the Theatre Royal to see a production of Shakespeare's Twelfth Night this week.



Mr Grimwood said that the year 5 and 6 children who took part in the football tournament at King Edward's this week displayed a wonderful team spirit throughout and were wonderful ambassadors for the school.



### Year 6 House Captains



### House Points for this week are:

**Saturn - 197**

**Earth - 144**

**Mars - 169**

**Mercury - 187**

### 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

### Attendance

These figures show the attendance of each class up to 19<sup>th</sup> Sept 2024

EYFS Elm Class – 97.6%

Year 1 Beech Class – 97.0%

Year 2 Oak Class – 97.4%

Year 3 Lime Class - 99.7%

Year 4 Hazel Class – 95.4%

Year 5 Willow Class – 99.3%

Year 6 Larch Class – 99%

Whole School 98.0%

National Primary School average 96.1%

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