



Friday 8th May 2026

School Newsletter

Dear Families,

We've had a wonderful few weeks in school, and there is still so much to look forward to! It has been a busy and positive time across the school, with lots of fantastic learning taking place both in and out of the classroom.

Reception Tours

We will be holding a series of school tours this term for prospective families who are looking to apply for a Reception place for September 2027. These tours are a great opportunity for families to see our school in action and to get a feel for life at Ickworth Park Primary. If you know of any families who may be interested, please do encourage them to book a place. Click [here](#) to view the available dates and further information.

Sports Day

We are looking forward to welcoming you for another afternoon of fun, teamwork and friendly competition at our Sports Day on Friday 22nd May. Please keep an eye out for further details from our PE Lead, Mr Grimwood.

NSPCC

We have been working closely with the NSPCC to deliver their Ofsted-recognised Speak Out, Stay Safe programme. This is designed to equip all children with age-appropriate knowledge and understanding to help them stay safe from abuse and neglect. We are proud to be part of this work. Please click [here](#) if you would like to find out more.

Year 6 SATs

Our Year 6 pupils will be completing their SATs during the week beginning 11th May. They have worked incredibly hard throughout the year, showing great resilience, determination and maturity in their learning. To support them during this time, we kindly ask that you help ensure they get plenty of rest, have a healthy breakfast each morning, and enjoy a calm and positive environment at home.

PINS Project

A huge thank you to all of our families and staff who have engaged with the PINS project this year. It has been wonderful to see so many of you attending coffee mornings, workshops and networking events, and sharing your experiences. As part of this ongoing work, we are in the process of developing a parent/carer forum aimed at supporting families of neurodivergent children and strengthening our school community. We look forward to sharing more information with you soon- watch this space!

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Mrs Reynolds

Diary Dates Summer Term 2026

- **Saturday 09 May** – PTA Fun Run and Family Fun Day at Horringer Scouts HQ.
- **Monday 11 – Thursday 14 May** – Year 6 SATS (SATS breakfast running from 8.15 in the hall each day).
- **Thursday 15 May** – Deadline to send in your house colour raffle donations.
- **Thursday 21 May** – Summer Census with a special lunch menu.
- **Friday 22 May** – Sports Day (weather permitting). Families are welcome to join us from 12noon.
- **Monday 25 – Friday 29 May** – Half term holidays.
- **Wednesday 03 June** – Year 1 class trip to Colchester Zoo.
- **Friday 5 June** – Reserve Sports Day.
- **Wednesday 17 – Friday 19 June** – Year 5 and 6 Residential Trip to Norfolk Lakes.
- **Monday 22 June** – KS2 (Years 3, 4, 5 and 6) WCET Music Festival at the Apex, Bury St Edmunds.
- **Thursday 26 June** – Year 3 class trip to Cambridge Central Mosque and the Sedgwick Museum
- **Friday 30 June** – Year 5 class trip to Felixstowe
- **Friday 03 July** – Year 2 class trip to Cambridge Botanical Gardens
- **Thursday 09 July** – Year 6 Crucial Crew day at West Suffolk College
- **Friday 10 July** – Reports out to families.
- **Friday 10 July** – Year 6 trip to Harry Potter World.
- **Monday 13 – Friday 17 July** – Year 6 transition days throughout the week at their secondary schools.
- **Friday 17 July** – Year 6 Leavers Assembly at 2.15pm.
- **Friday 17 July** – last day in school before the holidays
- **Monday 20 July** – PD DAY
- **Tuesday 01 September** – PD DAY
- **Wednesday 02 September** – PD Day
- **Thursday 03 September** – Return to school.

What have we been up to in school?

Cooking Club – making pizza, choosing and cutting toppings!



Hazel Class – programming and debugging micro:bits to create Rock, Paper, Scissors games.

Elm Class – Learning to log onto Chromebooks and using individual Purple Mash logins with help from Digital Leaders!



Subject Leader Spotlight – PE

I'm Liam Grimwood, the PE Lead at Ickworth Park. I'm passionate about helping every child grow in confidence, resilience and developing a lifelong enjoyment of being active. My own journey into PE and sport was shaped through playing football and cricket, both at school and in local clubs. These experiences taught me so much about teamwork, determination and respect, as well as giving me a real appreciation for the positive impact sport can have on young people.

Sport plays such an important role in children's overall development. Beyond learning physical skills, being active supports mental health and wellbeing. It also provides children with opportunities to connect with others, feel a sense of belonging and experience achievement. Through PE and sport, we aim to create positive experiences that help pupils understand the lifelong benefits of staying active - not just for their bodies, but for their minds as well.

At Ickworth Park, we strive to provide a broad, inclusive and engaging PE curriculum that supports every child, whatever their starting point. We focus on building strong fundamental skills, encouraging teamwork and promoting healthy competition in a supportive environment. Our goal is for all pupils to feel successful in PE and to understand the importance of leading an active, healthy lifestyle.



Our Year 6 House Captains
Total House Points for the term

Saturn - 184

Earth - 187

Mars - 162

Mercury - 175

Our value this term is –

Confidence

**BREATHE IN
CONFIDENCE
BREATHE OUT DOUBT**

Attendance

These figures show the attendance of each class up to ...

EYFS Elm Class –97.1%
Year 1 Beech Class – 96.8%
Year 2 Oak Class – 97.2%
Year 3 Lime Class – 97.1%
Year 4 Hazel Class – 97.3%
Year 5 Willow Class –97.3%
Year 6 Larch Class – 96.9%

Whole School 97%
National average 94.7%

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