



IOE Newsletter

19th March 2021

Head Teacher's Comment - from Bryony Surtees

We have celebrated Comic Relief today, which has been a little bit of light relief during a national pandemic and lockdown. The children cheered us all up with their jokes this morning in assembly and looked amazing with their wacky outfits and hair styles. What do you think of Dragonfly's joke: What wobbles and flies in the sky? A Jelly copter! ☺ Thank you all for supporting Comic Relief and for your generosity. I am pleased to say we have raised nearly £500 for this amazing charity. Next week is the last week of the Spring Term before we break up for the Easter holidays when hopefully we may begin to return to 'normal' life. I wish you all a relaxing and enjoyable weekend.

Latest news and information from Isle of Ely Primary School...

Staffing Update:

Congratulations to Mr Sinfield and his partner who are expecting their first child at the beginning of April. Mr Sinfield will be taking two weeks paternity leave immediately after the Easter holidays and so Caterpillar Class will be taught by Mr Ryan.

Mrs Ashman, our Thrive Practitioner, leaves us next Friday to start her maternity leave. We wish her all the best and we look forward to hearing about her baby shortly.

Mrs Janet Duffin will be joining us for the Summer Term to teach in Little Elvers following the departure of Mrs Ryan.

Sadly, Mrs Pavitt who works in Little Elvers' Nursery will be leaving us at the end of the term to take up a post with the Red Hen Charity as a family support worker. We wish her well in her new post.

We are currently advertising for an Early Years Lead and a part time Nursery Teaching Assistant. If you are interested in either post or you know someone who might be, please do get in touch. Further information can be found on our website.

Parking:

We have now opened our car park for parents to park in at the beginning and end of the day to relieve congestion around the local area but unfortunately not many of you are using it and we are still receiving complaints from our neighbours about our parents blocking their drives. Please do use the car park and be considerate of our neighbours if you do park around the local estate.

Termly Reports:

As the children have only just come back to school and the teachers have held parent conversations this week, there will not be an end of term report this term.



A Message about Norwich City Easter Girls Football Camps:

Dear Parent/Guardian(s),

I am delighted to be able to invite you to take part in our Easter Football Camps specifically for girls. After the huge success of our Virtual sessions over lockdown, we are excited to finally be able to invite you to join us for a day of girls' football out on the grass.

Our girl's football camps aim to give girls the opportunity to have a full day of fun, coaching, games, challenges and much more. All of our camps are suitable for girls of all abilities aged 6-16 to attend, whether you are looking to develop as a keen footballer or just to have fun with your friends, our camps will be a fun filled day for you.

All of our camps are coached with qualified Norwich City coaches and aim to provide a positive platform for girls to play football in a safe and welcoming environment.

If you would like to attend one or more of our Easter Football Camps, please find further details and booking information below:

Kings Ely Community Girls Football Camp

Wednesday 31st March

£17

9am - 3pm

Kings Ely School CB74DB

Booking

Link: https://bookonline.communitysportsfoundation.org.uk/Ely_girls_football_camp_31032021

We cannot wait to welcome you and if you have any issues or questions please get in touch anytime.

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Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth, The Queen Mother's Handwriting Awards:

This competition is open to all boys and girls of school age living or attending schools, within the Counties of Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire, Hertfordshire, Leicestershire, Norfolk, Northamptonshire and Peterborough. The competition is administered by the East of England Agricultural Society. If your child is interested in entering the competition, please read the attached leaflet for further information.



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Coronavirus:

There are three simple actions we must all do to keep on protecting each other:

Wash hands, keep washing your hands regularly
Cover face, wear a face covering in enclosed spaces
Make space, stay at least 2 metres apart

Covid Symptoms:

If your child displays **any** of the following symptoms, please get your child tested, isolate immediately, let us know, whether they are at home or at school, and inform us of the result.

The main symptoms of coronavirus are:

- **a high temperature** - this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature) NHS guidance states that a high temperature is 38C+
- **a new, continuous cough** - this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- **a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** - this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

Most people with coronavirus have at least 1 of these symptoms.

Dates and School Term Dates 2020/2021

Spring term

Ends Friday 26th March
Spring (Easter) holiday Monday 29th March - Friday 9th April

Summer Term

Starts Monday 12th April
Half term Monday 31st May - Friday 4th June
Ends Thursday 22nd July 2021

Bank Holiday (School Closed) Monday 3rd May 2021