



Icklesham Church of England Primary School and Nursery



It has been a great week for showing off our wonderful school. We have had visitors from Kingsnorth Literacy Trust, Early Years and our very own governors, who have all reported on our children's amazing progress and achievements. I was delighted to show them our phonics superstars in Reception and Year 1 and 2, our writing in KS2 and the amazing early learning going on in Nursery. I have also been extremely impressed with the ever growing quality of art our children are producing. You really are a talented bunch! Have a lovely weekend all from a very proud headteacher! Mrs Robinson.

School dinners we have had a few children who are not liking what has been booked for them for dinner. Please can you make sure your child has what they like or talk through the menu with them, thank you.

Ocean Class This week in nursery we've been focusing on the story of The Three Little Pigs! We've re-enacted this story using props and have sequenced it using picture cards. We've made some fake mud and added farmyard animals to this for some messy play! The children have acted the story out using stick puppets and natural resources such as straw and sticks/wooden pegs. Thank you to everyone for sending in wow moments this week - we've shared these at circle time! Have a lovely weekend everyone.

Beach Class This week in Beach Class we have continued to look at the story Cinderella. We have explored the characters and settings through drawing and writing as well as using our imaginations to adapt the story. We also looked at pictures of different castles during our circle time and compared their similarities and differences, including castles that King Charles lives in now and ruined castles from the past. We have also been exploring odd and even numbers in maths. Well done to our 'Let Your Light Shine' award winner this week, **Opie** for making huge progress with his blending in phonics and **Sonny** for amazing progress with his handwriting.

Woodland Class Woodland class had another amazing week. We have continued to look at shapes in maths, but this week we learnt about edges, vertices, and faces on 3D shapes. In DT we discovered why houses are made from bricks and cement, and we experimented making towers from different materials. In PSHE we discussed the topic 'expressing ourselves' and the children had some great ideas. In PE this term, we are doing Gymnastics, and this week's focus was on control and balance. This week's 'Let your Light Shine' award goes to **Greyson** for showing courage by singing a solo in front of the class, and to **Logan** for making progress in all areas and always having a smile on his face. Have a brilliant weekend.

Rainforest Class We've had a spectacular week in Rainforest. In maths, we have been looking at money and how we can find change when buying items. In writing this week, we have started looking at Wind in the Willows, where we have investigated the plot of the story and added our own ideas and thoughts to our writing. In geography this week, we've looked at the different terms associated with rivers and how rivers flow from the high ground to the low ground. In computing, we have been looking at how we can animate sprites and add sound to create programmed movements.

This week's 'Let Your Light Shine' awards go to **Frankie** and **Samantha** for their brilliant contributions to class discussions. Next week we will be continuing our work on Wind in the Willows, looking at multiplying and dividing in maths and continuing our work on Steven Wiltshire in art.

Eden Class Eden Class have become authors this week by writing our own versions of 'The Chocolate Tree' and creating our own fully illustrated books. The writing in the stories has been awesome and shows what talented writers we have in Eden Class. We hope to be sharing our stories with other classes in school soon. The year 6 children should be proud of themselves for their achievements in maths this week as arithmetic scores this week have improved hugely. In DT today we began our learning about 'structures' and tried to build the tallest structure we could out of marshmallows and spaghetti; well done to Melody, Harrison and Louis for claiming first place. The morning was finished off with hot chocolate 'Mayan' style, added honey, cinnamon and chilli! This week's 'Let Your Light Shine' awards go to **Harrison** and **Hettie -Rose** for their brilliant attitudes and hard work. Well done guys! I will post some costume ideas on Class Dojo for 'A Time to dance' but please ask if you have any questions. Have a good weekend.

#WakeupWednesday A #WakeupWednesday guide helping parents and educators understand how digital devices affect children's wellbeing and how to promote healthier habits. [What Parents and Educators Need to Know Digital Devices & Wellbeing](#)

Well Done on a super week!



Dates for your diary

January

Thursday 22nd—Year 5/6 netball @ Sandown for those involved

February

Thursday 5th—Cluster football @ Hastings Academy for those involved

Monday 9th— Time to Dance at The White Rock for those involved

Friday 13th—Visit from Helena Dollimore

Friday 13th—PTFA Disco TBC

Friday 13th—End of term 3

Monday 23rd—Start of term 4

March

Thursday 5th—World Book Day

Thursday 17th – SingInspiration for those involved

March Cont...

Monday 23rd—Parents evening 2

Wednesday 25th—Parents Evening 3

Thursday 26th—PTFA Easter Egg Hunt

Friday 27th—Easter Service in church 9.30am

Friday 27th—Last day of term 4

Inset Days 2025—2026

Monday 1st June 2026

All INSET Days are now confirmed—please use this information to plan days out and holiday travel etc. to avoid absence in school time.

ESCC Term Dates

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<https://www.eastsussex.gov.uk/education-learning/term-dates>