



Icklesham Church of England Primary School and Nursery



Well done everyone for another busy week of learning at Icklesham. In assembly today it was lovely to hear about what each class has been up to and listening to the children talk so enthusiastically about their learning. Next week is National Story Telling Week and so it was especially great to hear about all the writing that is happening throughout the school; there are some events planned in school next week where the children can share their writing with each other.

School Council Challenge Yesterday Miss Standen, who had very kindly brought biscuits, icing and sprinkles, for Eden class to ice and decorate the biscuits. Mrs Isaac brought some chocolate biscuits for anyone who didn't want an iced biscuit and just before the end of school we set up three stalls ready for the sale. After school the children came along with their parents and bought our biscuits. Thank you to everyone who bought a biscuit, we raised an amazing £36.00. This will go towards paying for the potatoes etc. for our Potato Challenge, more after details after half term.

Melody and Ivy

Digital Lives We have been sent the following link from the Children's Commissioner. It is a guide for school staff, parents and Carers as children's lives have become increasingly complex in a digital world. <https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/resource/what-i-wish-my-parents-or-carers-knew-a-guide-for-parents-and-carers-on-managing-childrens-digital-lives/> Please have a read on how to support your child.

Ocean Class This week in nursery we have been focusing on the fairy tale Rapunzel. We've looked at different places where we could live such as a flat, bungalow or house. We've made a tally chart of the different hair colours we have in our class. We've also created our own nursery story this week where the children added a different part each; they were very imaginative! The children also pretended to cut Rapunzel's long hair using cooked spaghetti! We hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Beach Class This week in Beach Class we have been exploring the story Goldilocks and the Three Bears. We started off the week with a story basket and ended the week coming up with imaginative adaptations of the story. We have also been doing lots of phonics practice with our new phase 3 sounds, by practicing spotting these sounds in words. Next week, we will be looking at the story Little Red Riding Hood. Well done to our 'Let Your Light Shine' award winners this week, **Primrose** for her amazing contributions during our circle times and **Henry** for amazing writing about Goldilocks and the Three Bears.

Woodland Class Woodland Class have been very busy this week. In maths, the children have been looking at Grams, kilograms, and capacity. In Writing, we have been writing our own class story about animals going to a party, and the children have been adapting it to create their own version. We have been very busy with our cross curricular subjects this week- we've started The Great Fire of London, We have talked about London as a city, in science we investigated what objects can sink or float, and in Art we continued with more collages. The 'let your light shine' award goes to **Keanu** for persevering in reading and writing, and to **Reid** for becoming more independent with his writing. Have a lovely weekend!

Rainforest Class What an amazing week Rainforest Class have had! In geography this week, we looked at the three major processes that take place in rivers; erosion, transportation and deposition. In maths we have started our new topic non-measurement where we have been looking at length. In writing we looked at adding speech to our work and have started to prepare for our Wind in the Willows inspired write. This week's 'Let Your Light Shine' Awards go to **Emma**, for the excellence she has shown in geography and **Elli**, for the joy she shows for reading. Next week we will be continuing to look at how fossils are formed in our science lesson, looking further at measurement in maths and will be finalising our plan for writing and beginning to write.

Eden Class Eden Class have enjoyed learning more about the Maya this week and some of us took up Fletcher's challenge to create a model using Minecraft too. These can be seen on our Google Classroom page if you would like to see them. In maths we have looked at area and perimeter this week and now have a good understanding of the difference between these and of how to calculate them. This week's awards go to two girls always show excellence in the way they behave and contribute to school life. In fact, they have written in this newsletter twice now. This week's 'Let Your Light Shine' awards go to **Melody** and **Ivy**. Well done.

Dear Residents On the 16th February, Chequers, the grounds team for East Sussex County council will be cutting the hedge to the right of the school gate, down towards Pear Tree Field, which will involve a tractor. Please can you kindly move any vehicles parked in this area for the day. Thank you for your help in advance.

#WakeUpWednesday A practical guide helping parents and educators support children and young people to use AI safely, thoughtfully and responsibly in everyday life. [Top Tips for Parents & Educators: Supporting Safe Use of AI](#)

Well Done on a super week!



Dates for your diary

January

February

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

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

Thursday 12th—revised date for Netball, for those involved

Friday 13th—Visit from Helena Dollimore

Friday 13th—End of term 3

Monday 23rd—Start of term 4

March

Thursday 5th—World Book Day

Thursday 17th – SingInspiration for those involved

Monday 23rd—Parents evening 2

Wednesday 25th—Parents Evening 3

Thursday 26th—PTFA Easter Egg Hunt

March Cont...

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

East Sussex Term Dates are available online at

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