



Icklesham Church of England Primary School and Nursery



Well the sun has definitely been out here at Icklesham this week and today it had its hat on! We have all enjoyed being out on the field once again and enjoying the weather whilst also taking part in some incredible learning. Today in assembly we heard from all classes about their learning, including Woodland and Rainforest talking about Sculpture artists they have been exploring. I am looking forward to seeing the results as they appear this term. It was World Earth Day this week and the children celebrated with a themed assembly and returning to a lovely song 'I am the Earth'. Our huge **congratulations** and thanks to Kerry for achieving her Nursery Manager role. Kerry has really developed the nursery this year and brought new ideas and approaches in with her amazing team. Well done Kerry!

London Marathon It's Arrived! We wish Jenna all the very best in her London Marathon event on Sunday. Please, please, please donate all you can - all proceeds will go to more sports, climbing and play equipment for our children. A HUGE Thank you to Jenna for such an incredibly generous fund raising event. Please use the Just Giving page to donate what you can [Icklesham Primary School London Marathon Just Giving Page](#)

Ocean Class This week in nursery we have transformed our role-play area into a veterinary surgery! The children have learnt about different animals and how to care for them. We've looked at animal sounds and discussed what animals we have at home. We have been practising our scissor control this week by making snips in playdough and cutting and sticking activities. Next week we will be learning about firefighters and how we can keep ourselves safe in and outside of nursery and home! Have a lovely weekend!

Beach Class This week Beach class went to the farm. We enjoyed a tractor ride around the farm, petting some small animals including rabbits, guinea pigs, hamsters, tortoises, chicks and ducklings and feeding and petting bigger animals including goats, sheep/lambs, cows, chickens, horses, ponies, alpacas, llamas and pigs. We have also had a great time exploring people from the past including Neil Armstrong and Marie Curie. Well done to our 'Let Your Light Shine' award winners this week **Ava** and **Opie**.

Woodland Class Woodland class have been working super hard this week, especially in maths where the children have been adding and subtracting 10. In writing, the children have started to set their own story, and wrote all about mammals. In art, we have been looking at sculptures and some of the children had a go at making their own sculptures out of playdough, lollypop sticks, and pipe cleaners. We also looked at Islam in RE, empathy in PSHE, and in PE we started to practice for sports day. The 'Let Your Light Shine' awards go to **Ethan** for showing excellence in his maths, and to **Brody** for working super hard in his phonics lessons. Have a lovely weekend!

Rainforest Class Rainforest Class have had a busy and exciting week of learning across the curriculum. In maths, the children have been developing their understanding of fractions, exploring how wholes can be divided into equal parts and using practical resources to help them compare and represent different fractions. In writing, the focus has been on grammar, particularly using the present perfect tense. The children have been practicing how to use this tense accurately in their sentences to describe actions that have already happened but are still relevant now. Our geography lesson has taken us all the way to Australia, where the class have been learning about the states of Australia. They have been identifying them on maps and developing their geographical vocabulary as they learn more about the country. Finally, in science, the class have been investigating magnets, learning about what is magnetic and non-magnetic through hands-on experiments. The children showed great curiosity and made sensible predictions before testing different objects. This week's 'Let Your Light Shine' Awards go to **Elizabeth** and **Holly**.

Eden Class Eden Class have been finding out all about Henry VII and Henry VIII's wives this week. We began the week writing biographies of Henry VII and then in History, we went back in time to Tudor times and visited a market where the stall-holders told us the gossip on the wives of Henry VIII. In art we used photos of ourselves to draw self-portraits. We have discussed St George's Day and World Earth Day this week in assembly. Each class has been challenged to come up with an idea to improve the school environment; we will be deciding on our project in Monday's class assembly. With the warm weather, we have been enjoying playtime and PE on the field where we have begun our athletics learning. Please can any cameras / tablets / phones that are to be used for art be brought into school on Tuesday this week, as it would be great to get the photography project started. This week's 'Let Your Light Shine' awards go to **Ophelia** for her excellent contributions to assembly and maths and to **Hugo** for his fantastic attitude to learning this week. Well done and have a great weekend.

Well Done on a super week!



Dates for your diary

April

Monday 27th—Woodland trip to the White Rock to see The Storm Whale, details to follow

May

Monday 4th—Bank Holiday, school closed

11th –14th—SATs week for year 6

Monday 18th—Peasmarsh Chamber Music working with Rainforest Class

18th—20th PGL for Eden Class

Friday—22nd End of term 5

June

Monday 1st—Inset day

Wednesday 3rd—Peasmarsh Chamber Music working with Rainforest Class

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.

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