

NEWSLETTER

A message from the

PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents/Carers,

At Iceni Primary Academy, we often say that teaching is the best job in the world—and we truly mean it. Every member of our team works here because we love what we do and care deeply about the children in our school. Whether it's organising trips, sports days, residentials, talent shows or

leading multiple subjects, we give our all to create a rich and joyful experience for every child.

We know that sometimes we may not get everything right. We're

Human, and like everyone, we're learning all the time. But please know that we never stop trying our best for your children.

The reality is that teaching is a

demanding profession. Many of us work between 50 to 70 hours a week, often using our own

resources and time—including weekends—to make sure

everything runs smoothly. We do this because we care, and because we believe in the power of

education to change lives.

However, we also want to be

honest about the challenges. Across the UK, schools are facing increasing pressure: reduced funding, greater accountability, and a growing

number of teachers and teaching assistants leaving the profession due to stress or financial

constraints. There is also a national shortage of headteachers. These are not complaints, but context— so if there's ever a decision we make that you don't fully agree with, please know there may be reasons we're unable to share.

We are incredibly grateful to our wonderful FOHSA and to you, our supportive families. I've spoken to other headteachers who don't run the kind of events we do, and I truly believe our children benefit

enormously from them. Your

support helps us continue to grow and thrive as a small but mighty school community.

Thank you for walking this journey with us. We look forward to

continuing to build something

special together.

Emma Owner, Principal.

DIARY



Monday 6th October:

Acorn and Maple Theatre trip

Wednesday 8th October:

Harvest Festival

Thursday 9th October:

Acorn and Maple phonics information session, 3pm

Tuesday 14th October:

School photos

Wednesday 22nd October :

Halloween Disco

Monday 27th October—Friday 31st October:

HALF TERM

Thursday 20th November:

Acorn class 'Stay and Play'

Wednesday 10th December:

Oak and Beech panto trip

We would like to tell you about....



Well done to Cameron in Maple class who was awarded the 'Player of the Match' medal at his football game for Brandon last weekend.

Great job Cameron!

The full photo can be viewed on dojo.

Safeguarding



OUR TOP 5
SAFEGUARDING
PRIORITIES:

Online Safety

Mental Health:
Anxiety

Sexism & Misogyny

Child on Child Abuse

Use of derogatory language

Club Timetable

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
After School 3.00—3.45pm	Biscuit Boosters	Craft Club KS2 PE Club Steel Pans	Computing & Mindful colouring KS1 PE Club Ukulele	Make a Model Sketch



We raised £444.51 at our Macmillan coffee afternoon on

26th September which is amazing!

Thank you to everyone that donated and came to support us.

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ATTENDANCE

Our overall attendance this week was 94.2%

The class with the highest attendance

this week was Oak with 95.1%

Well done to Oak class!

Lunch Menu

Monday 6th October

BBQ chicken pizza

Cheese and tomato pizza

Tuesday 7th October Beef Bolognese pasta Quorn Bolognese pasta

Wednesday 8th October

Roast Pork

Roast Quorn fillet

Thursday 9th October
Chicken Korma with rice
Quorn Tikka Masala with rice

Friday 10th October

Beef burger with chips

Quorn nuggets with chips

We are a nut FREE school—this

includes products containing or made from nuts such as peanut butter.

Please can we remind parents that chocolate products are not allowed in home packed lunches.

Celebration Assembly

Well done to everyone who received an award in this week's Celebration Assembly.

Please see Dojo for the winners' photo!



2.45pm - 3.45pm In the playground

Donations Welcomed





WEDNESDAY 22ND OCTOBER

ACORN & MAPLE 5.30PM - 6.30PM

BEECH & OAK 6.45PM - 8.15PM



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