

# Ickford News

There was no escape! Class 3 and 4 were calling down from the dizzy heights of the castle tower, Class 2 charged out of 'The Great Hall' and Class 1 emerged from the dark 'Kingmaker' tunnels. Ickford School well and truly took Warwick Castle by storm.

During the castle exploration, the children were immersed in learning about the different parts of the castle and were eager to ask questions to find out more. We were lucky enough to watch a thrilling bird of prey show and Kirk O'Malley even managed to befriend a resident peacock much to the amazement of passers-by.

Luckily, the weather was fantastic so the children were able to enjoy their lunch on the banks of the River Avon. After their feasts, the children marvelled at the colossal trebuchet and shared their knowledge of some of the gruesome items that were launched from them hundreds of years ago.

The coach journey back was rather peaceful with only the sound of gentle snoring (this time not from Mr Ronane!) and tales of adventure from the exhilarating day.

Since our return, several children have commented on their enjoyment of the trip and how they hope to go back with their family. I must thank the PTA, who contributed towards the visit to make it more affordable for everyone.

During the afternoons, the children have engaged in workshops where they learned the art of calligraphy, embossed shields, built dragon eggs and created string dragons. The school has truly been a buzz of activity absorbed in learning about the Medieval times. I have been amazed at the number of children who have continued their learning at home and brought in different Medieval related resources to share with their class.

Yesterday, the children were put through their paces during 'knight training'. The strenuous task involved tackling an obstacle course and participating in the Medieval game of 'Stoolball'. Our young knights took the gruelling afternoon in their stride before building forts ready for battle on the Ickford field! No fence post, log or plank was left unused as the mighty forts were carefully structured; some even had ramparts and drawbridges!

Kings, Queens, princes, princesses, knights, peasants and even dragons

gathered this morning in 'The Great Hall' for celebration assembly. It was wonderful to see all the children and staff dressed up in Medieval attire to bring an end to our enthralling themed week.

This evening, we look forward to the return of Years 5 and 6 to the realms of Ickford to reunite with our valiant knights! It will be great to have all the children back together and to hear the tales from the Isle of Wight (I'm sure Mr Ronane and Mme Basnett will be keen to claim their kingdom back too!).

Thank you to all the staff who have worked incredibly hard to make Medieval Week such a success. Thank you also to all the parents and children for your support, it has been a pleasure to reign but now the crown must be returned to its rightful owner.

Have a wonderful and safe weekend,

Miss Vukomanovic



# Ickford News from the office

## Dates for your diary...

17 <sup>th</sup> March	Outdoor Learning
31 <sup>st</sup> March	Outdoor Learning
24 <sup>th</sup> June	Key Stage 2 Summer Concert

## School Lottery

### A winner within school every week!

If you would like the chance to win, and support the school, please click on the link below and get signed up!

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/ickford-school>



## This Week's Celebration Assembly

### Hall of Fame:

#### Fort Building:

Phoebe Merritt

Stanley Johnson

Isla Thomas

#### Knight Training:

Asees Samrai

Alfie Peck

Kirk O'Malley

Annabel Neal

Oliver Jolliffe

### Medieval King or Queen:

Ronin Reeve

Barnaby Potter

Florianne Palanca

Iyla Hitchcock

### Artistic Dragon:

Sam Anzarouth

### Careful Calligrapher:

Beatrice Beckett

### Most Affective Knight:

Mia Makris