Ickford News

Welcome everyone to the first newsletter of the new academic year. For those of you who, this week, have passed the momentous milestone of starting your children off on the first steps of what I hope will be a lifelong learning journey, good luck!

I wrote that last sentence with tongue pressed firmly in my cheek as I understand only too well that my job is to minimise any element of 'luck' and to reassure you that coming to Ickford provides your child with the best possible start they could have. It is this responsibility (combined with my dreadful competitive nature) that drives me to relentlessly seek to improve the school and to ensure that we offer as much as we possibly can as a state-funded Primary School.

A great deal has gone on behind the scenes throughout the summer holiday and I am delighted that our old, rather temperamental boiler has been replaced and the whole heating system refurbished. Next on the list of projects is to replace the current fluorescent lighting with LED so that we can reduce our costs as well as our carbon footprint. This week we welcomed Miss Foord and Mrs Horn to the school as the teachers in Class 2 and also the return of the indomitable bundle of energy and enthusiasm that is Mrs Honey. I am also extremely happy that, after a long period of illness, the wonderful Mrs Probets has returned and everything seems right with the world again.

Those of you who came to the Meet the Teacher meetings yesterday evening will know that I talked about the 3 As. These are: Attendance, Appearance and Assistance and all relate to how you, as parents, can support the school and ensure that we are able to maintain the excellent standards that we achieve.

Make sure your children are in school, on time and every day. Ensure that they are clean and smart with the correct uniform and assist us by supporting the homework policy, reading, providing a healthy lunch and parking considerately in the village.

The successes of last year will stay in the memory but it's the future that we are building not the past.

Have a good weekend,

Mr Ronane

PTA

BARN DANCE!



Friday September 29th

Ickford Village Hall

2 course supper!



Mrs Shackleton and her band providing the music!

Tickets £15 per person

Available from the School Office

ICKFORD NEWS from the office

Dates for your diary...

12 th Sept 7.30pm	Phonics Workshop
12 th Sept	11+ Preparation Test
13 th Sept 7.30pm	Netball Club starts
14 th Sept	11+ Test
29 th Sept 7-10.30pm	PTA Barn Dance
23 rd – 27 th October	Half Term

School Lottery

Last week's lucky winner was Kelly Wakelin. To raise more funds for the school, please let all your friends and family know about the school lottery, just share the link below: https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/ school/ickford-school

<u>Coats</u>

With the weather being so unpredictable at the moment, please send children into school with a coat every day.

We do have a school coat recently added to the uniform list; they cost £20 and are

available from the school office.

