

# Ickford News

I am liaising with Sam Anzarouth (Yr R) our resident weather forecaster and keeping my fingers crossed that the sun will continue to shine for another few weeks at least every Friday. The diary is full and interested parents will want to put off visitors and delay BBQs until Saturday evenings so as not to miss out on the Summer Concert, Summer Fayre and the Oxfordshire Athletics. You may need to cancel weekly events as well because we have an open evening and the end of year production of Long John Silver squeezed in, occasions not to be missed! Sometimes I think we attempt too much but I have to say that, with the wonderful support of the PTA and many parents, we manage to keep things going, providing memorable experiences for the children and their families. If you are concerned about withdrawal symptoms should you be dragged away from the Friday glass or two in the garden, I can promise adult beverages in at least 3 of the above and furthermore a range of canapés and prosecco at one of them so I expect to see some full houses.

Congratulations are the order of the day particularly for our sporting competitors

who, as you will know if you read last week's newsletter, competed in the Regional Finals this week. The results were as follows:

Year 3/4 Tennis 5<sup>th</sup>

Year 3/4 Badminton 2<sup>nd</sup>

Year 5 Badminton 2<sup>nd</sup>

Year 6 Netball 1<sup>st</sup>

I am really pleased with the results (honestly) but more pleased by the effort of the children and their conduct at the event. They were a credit to the school and their families and competed very strongly against some very big schools, For example, Bourton Meadow Academy has on role over 685 children and has a year 6 as large as our whole school.

I should mention in despatches that our Year 5 Badminton only lost one game by one point and that our Netball Team scored almost 50 goals over the nine matches and conceded only 2. The Netball team now go on to the County and Milton Keynes Finals with a real chance to emulate the success of last year's triumphant team. I am sure the whole school will be rooting for them.

The downside of competing in Finals was that some children had to miss parts of our annual Science Week which, according to most of the children has been a great success. Everyone has had the chance to carry out investigations and our workshops also proved popular particularly the return of 'Lego Man'! We have Mrs Honey to thank for organising the week and ensuring that Science remains a focal part of our curriculum.

Other thanks this week go to Mr Merritt who has given up his time voluntarily to help with the after school football club, Mr Sayer who has been in to retake the class photographs, Mrs Chadbone who has kindly agreed to donate the Prosecco for the Summer Concert and to all of the ladies in the Canapés team who have agreed to provide these without cost to the school (I shan't name them for fear of missing someone but they know who they are).

So, the days continue to pass too quickly but, I can assure you, the feet remain firmly to the pedal and the children are learning every day and will continue until their last.

Mr Ronane

## Ickford News from the office

### Dates for your diary...

26 <sup>th</sup> June	Transition Morning
29 <sup>th</sup> June 6pm	KS2 Summer Concert
3 <sup>rd</sup> July 9am	Class 1 Assembly
5 <sup>th</sup> July *6-7pm	Open Evening & Art Exhibition
6 <sup>th</sup> July 5-7pm	Summer Fayre
13 <sup>th</sup> July 9am	Ballet Assembly
16 <sup>th</sup> July 1.30pm	Class 4 & 5 Play
17 <sup>th</sup> July 7pm	Class 4 & 5 Play
18 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports Day
20 <sup>th</sup> July	Leavers Assembly

\* please note time change

### School Lottery

Last week's School Lottery winner of £27.90 was Mr Sayer, congratulations!

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>



### Backpacks

A reminder to all reception parents, your child will need a backpack for school in September. Please order through ParentMail , these will then be sent home with your child.

### PE Kit

Please ensure that your child brings their full PE kit into school every day.

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