

# Ickford News

Please forgive the interruption to your Easter celebrations although I am hopeful that anyone suffering 'newsletter withdrawal' may be pleased to receive some information and a reminder that school begins again on Wednesday. The holiday seems long (probably only to me) but I have no doubt that you are all enjoying the sunshine and that the children have had the opportunity to relax and enjoy the fresh air.

Though it has been fairly busy in school, I did get a chance for a short busman's holiday in Edinburgh where I managed to visit two independent schools, the Edinburgh Academy and the George Herriot's School, infamous for being the inspiration behind the Harry Potter books. Both schools had facilities that we can only dream of with rooms dedicated to music, science and art (all empty) as well as state of the art sports halls but, I have to say, neither had any evidence of children's work that could compare to that of children here at Ickford. Nonetheless, the visits were interesting and an insight into the independent sector.

The teachers have been working on the children's annual reports during the holiday and I hope to have these finished and ready to be sent out by next Friday the end of the first week. Most of you will know that we send out reports now so that they have more value than the end of year summary, good or bad, still commonplace in the majority of schools. Our format enables children and parents to have the opportunity to work on suggested targets to ensure that any areas for development can be addressed and the foundation is laid properly for the following year. If, when you have received

the report, you have any questions or concerns, then please take the opportunity given to meet with me to discuss them.

I had hoped to announce the publication of our new school website today but unfortunately, it is still not ready. I am hopeful that once the bank holiday is finished I can make contact with the company responsible for creating it and get it 'live' and accessible as it should be an improved window into the life of the school and give easier access to necessary information. In the meantime, I have copied the details of the summer uniform from the website as the children should return to school in it. You will notice that grey socks are now compulsory for both boys and girls and white socks no longer part of uniform.

## **Boys Summer**

Green polo shirt with school logo  
Grey shorts  
Grey socks  
Sensible Black shoes or sandals if closed toes (no boots or trainers or open toed sandals)  
Optional school baseball cap or boater (No other hats to be worn)

## **Girls Summer**

Green gingham dress  
Grey socks  
Sensible Black shoes or sandals if closed toes (no boots or trainers or open toed sandals)  
School baseball cap or boater (No other hats)

I look forward to welcoming everyone back on Wednesday for what will be a very busy final term.

Enjoy the bank holiday,

Mr Ronane

## Ickford News from the office

### Dates for your diary...

<u>5<sup>th</sup> April</u>	<u>Inset Day</u>
<u>23<sup>rd</sup> April</u>	<u>Inset Day</u>
<u>24<sup>th</sup> April</u>	<u>Summer Term Begins</u>
<u>21<sup>st</sup> June</u> <u>6pm</u>	<u>Summer Concert</u>

### School Lottery

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>



## Sponsorship

We are still keen to find a sponsor for the Summer Concert and would welcome any offers.



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