



Icknield Community College

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Newsletter – 23 April 2021

Date	Event
Wc 26 April	'A' Week
26 April	Year 9 Tdp/Men ACWY immunisations
29 April	Year 8 Parents Evening
3 May	Bank Holiday
28 May	End of Term – Non-Uniform Day
7 June	School Resumes

Summer Term

It has been a pleasure to welcome our students back this week in such sunny weather; most appropriate for the beginning of the summer term! Many thanks to all of you, as parents, for ensuring that our students have returned to school so well equipped, including the all important face coverings.

1:1 Device Scheme

You will no doubt have seen that Icknield is embarking on an exciting 1:1 device scheme, which means that, from September, we aim for every student attending our school to have a Chromebook device to use in lessons and at home. The scheme will be open from next week, and you will receive a ParentMail on Monday 26 April explaining how to sign up. Please click the image below for more information about this initiative and do please contact Dr Legg if you have any further questions.



Icknield Community College is launching its 1:1 device scheme



[CLICK HERE TO FIND OUT MORE](#)



The Big Ask

The Children's Commission for England, Rachel de Souza, has created a survey for all children in England to complete called "The Big Ask". Please do encourage you child to complete [this survey](#) which only takes 5-10 minutes. It is so important that the voices of young people are heard at this time. Thank you for your support.

Mat Hunter
Headteacher

Student home testing kits

On Tuesday next week, students will be given a new box of seven home testing kits. Thank you to all students (and their parents) for the home testing that is taking place. As a reminder, please do remember to log the test results with the NHS using [this link](#), and also with the school using [this link](#). I apologise for the duplication here; the Department for Education are insistent that we ask families to inform schools of each result. These two links have now been added to the school website in the Covid-19 section.

James Barringer

Clubs Booklet

We have refreshed our *Clubs Booklet*, which can be viewed at <https://www.icknield.oxon.sch.uk/attachments/article/15/Clubs%20Information%202020-21.pdf> All of our clubs have been carefully planned so as to meet with current COVID guidance.

Matt Ford

DofE

Congratulations to the following students who have completed their sections. Each student has put lots of work into completing their sections and assessors' reports during term time and holidays as well as a national lockdown.

Congratulations to Felix L (Physical), Juliana B (Physical), Tia K (Volunteering), Freya S (Physical & Skill), Sian C (Physical)

A special congratulations to Felix, Juliana, Tia, Freya and Sian who have now completed their volunteering, physical and skill sections, and will receive a special certificate emailed to them by the Duke of Edinburgh Award.

Can I encourage any participant who has not uploaded their assessors' reports to upload them as soon as they can and let me know if you are having any problems with their section. You need to have completed all the sections to complete your award.

We have been able to reschedule the expedition dates for the expeditions that had been postponed. All expeditions have been reorganised to be compliant with COVID regulations and are all closer to school to prevent unnecessary journeys. Letters with more information will be sent out on parent mail.

Bronze (year 10)

Practice expedition: Saturday 12th June

Qualifying expedition: Saturday 17th and Sunday 18th July (students will not be staying overnight)

Silver (year 11)

Practice expedition: Monday 7th June – Wednesday 8th June

Qualifying expedition: Friday 18th June – Sunday 20th June

Please can all year 10 students come for a short meeting in room 33 on Monday lunchtime to go through some information about the expeditions. Training for the year 10 Bronze expeditions will be held in room 33 on Wednesday 19th May and Wednesday 26th May from 3:15 - 4:15pm. You must attend this training with your group to go on the expedition. If this will be a problem please email Miss Scane to let her know as soon as possible.

Katie Scane

Maths Problem of the Week

The Maths Problem of the Week and the solution to problem 25 are attached.

Nick Owen

Easter Cakes

After agonising over the glorious entries received our competition winners were:

Phoebe D 8CB

Hannah G 7TS

Aaron R 7TS

A huge congratulations to all who made the final decision so difficult. We are so proud to have many talented chefs at ICC and I couldn't help but include a few pictures of our entries, showcasing our talented students' creativity.

Sophie Koziol



PE News

Kit Reminder

At the start of previous terms, we have posted our whole term timetable so students/parents know which activities they will be doing in each individual lesson. The reason for this in the past has been that the different activities will have required different kit. This term however, every single lesson will require the same kit: ICC t-shirt, shorts and **trainers** (ICC hoody optional).

Road to Wimbledon

Two years ago we ran the Road to Wimbledon competition, and this year we are bringing it back! This is a friendly tennis competition open to all students in KS3. Should you wish to sign up for this, the games will run after school in tennis club, so please ensure you're available to attend this after school club. Anyone who is interested, or wishes to know more, please speak to Miss Hillyer directly or via email: jessica.hillyer@icknield.oxon.sch.uk

Girls Rugby at Wallingford

Following the resumption of grassroots sports, Wallingford Rugby Club are offering free coaching sessions to any interested girls between the ages of 12 and 17. These sessions started last Sunday, and are running through until the end of May. Each training session is taking place at Hithercroft Sports Park, Wallingford, OX10 9RB, and any interested students should contact GirlsRugby@wallingfordrugbyclub.com to find out more.

Club Cancellation

Due to Year 8 Parents Evening next Thursday (29th April), there will be no after school tennis or badminton, due to all PE teachers having appointments. Apologies for this cancellation!

Twitter and Instagram: @icknield_PE

Matt Mures

Careers News

This week's Careers News (attached) has some very exciting opportunities for students to learn more about careers with **The Police** or within **Sony Music**, as well as some great interview techniques from Amazing Apprenticeships. The **NHS** are currently recruiting apprentices too, at our local hospital, The John Radcliffe. Happy reading! As always, should you have any questions, please do get in touch: helen.richardson@icknield.oxon.sch.uk

Helen Richardson

Letters to Parents/Carers

The following letters have been sent out this week via ParentMail:

Year 8 Parents' Evening Group A – 29 April 2021

Year 8 Parents' Evening Group B – 29 April 2021

Parent Information Booklet 1:1 Devices at ICC – March 2021

1:1 Devices at ICC – Parents of students currently in Years 6,7 & 8

1:1 Devices at ICC – Parents of students currently in Year 9

1:1 Devices at ICC – Parents of students currently in Year 10

GCSE PE Loom Video – Year 10

Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Expedition Letter – Year 10

Duke of Edinburgh Silver Expedition Letter – Year 11

These letters can also be accessed on the school website:

<http://www.icknield.oxon.sch.uk/news-and-events/letters-to-parent>

Finance Office

COMMUNITY NEWS

Small Group Virtual Maths Tuition

Looking for support with Maths? Look no further! Great quality, well-structured Zoom Maths Tuition. We are now taking bookings for new classes commencing in June.

- Key Stage 2 each Saturday at 10.30am
- Key Stage 3 each Saturday at 9.30am
- GCSE Foundation Tier each Tuesday at 4.45pm or Saturday at 11.30am
- GCSE Higher Tier each Wednesday at 4.45pm

Please contact: mathstutorchinnor@outlook.com for more information and to reserve your slot. Limited spaces available.

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Adrian Thomas



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WIN

A WHEELIE AWESOME PRIZE!



WIN A
£500
BIKE
VOUCHER

- Please help give our fundraising a boost this term
- Tickets cost just £1 a week
- Cash prize winner EVERY week
- You could even win the £25k jackpot!

Buy A Ticket

THE **BIKE** FACTORY

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older. Offer ends 17th Apr 2021.
Terms and conditions apply (see website for details).



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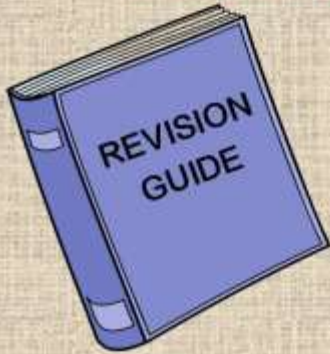
REVISION GUIDE SALE

Saturday 12th June 2021

9.30am-11.30am

ICC Canteen

(or outside if weather permits)



Please note strict Covid-19 restrictions will be in place requiring social distancing, hand sanitising on arrival and departure and no more than 2 customers in the sale area at a time. Thank you.

Donations...

Uniform and revision guide donations gratefully received, please drop off at ICC Reception on 27th May, 28th May or 7th June

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