



Summer 4 - Newsletter - 07/05/2026

Message from Mrs Sherwood

Thank you to all the volunteers who accompanied the Year 1 children on their trip to Hunstanton yesterday. The children had a wonderful time and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. We really do appreciate everyone who gives their time for our school.

David Attenborough Day



Tomorrow we are celebrating Sir David Attenborough reaching his 100th birthday. Each year group will be focusing on a different documentary series that he has created and carrying out various activities around it, acknowledging his lifelong work, dedication to our planet and love of nature. We can't wait to see what we create as a school!

There is also a programme on BBC One 'David Attenborough's 100 Years on Planet Earth' being broadcast at 8:30pm tomorrow to mark his incredible milestone.

What's on this week

Thursday 07.05.2026

am - Year 4 Recorder club

3.15-3.45 pm - Plant sale outside Lark class

3.15-4.15pm - Lab Tots in Dove class

3.15-3.45pm - Year 3 Recorder Club

3.15-4.15pm - Football Feet

Friday 08.05.2026

pm - Eagle class swimming - last lesson

pm - Falcon class swimming starts

3.15-4.15pm - Kings and Queens chess club in the dining hall

3.15-4.15pm - It's your cue drama club in Eagle class

Monday 11.05.2026

3.15-4.00pm - Years 2,3,4 Running club

3.15-4.00pm - Year 1 Phonics club

Tuesday 12.05.2026

Nursery trip to Knebworth

am - Year 2 Football Festival at Royston Town FC - non-parent event

3.15-4.15pm - RTFC Multi sports skills club

3.30-5.30pm - Year 4 boys 6-a-side football tournament at Royston Town FC

3.30-5.30pm - Years 3 & 4 girls 6-a-side football tournament at Royston Town FC

Wednesday 13.05.2026

Guitar & Piano Lessons

pm - Year 1 Sports Festival at IWFS - non-parent event

3.15-4.15pm - RTFC Gym club

3.15-4.15pm - Outdoors Project Club

Thursday 14.05.2026

am - Year 4 Recorder club

3.15-4.15pm - Lab Tots in Dove class

3.15-3.45pm - Year 3 Recorder Club

3.15-4.15pm - Football Feet

Friday 15.05.2026

pm - Falcon class swimming

pm - Dove class swimming starts

3.15-4.15pm - Kings and Queens chess club in the dining hall

3.15-4.15pm - It's your cue drama club in Eagle class

Non-School uniform day - Heads Up Kids

On Friday 22nd May, we will be having a non-uniform day in aid of Heads-Up Kids (see poster below). Children are invited to wear their own clothes in bright colours to show everyone how different and diverse we can all be. The day will run as a usual school day, so please ensure that children are wearing sensible footwear, and are dressed appropriately for the weather. Heads Up Kids is a charity dedicated to

promoting positive mental health through social and emotional wellbeing education. We access Heads Up Kids resources to support our PSHE lesson delivery in school. Heads Up Kids are committed to raising a generation of children with a positive attitude to mental health. Please scan the QR code below to donate.



FREE SCHOOL MEALS – ARE YOU ELIGIBLE?

If you are in receipt of qualifying benefits and have not yet registered for Free School Meals, or wish to check your eligibility please register online at [Free School Meals -Herts CC](#) .

Applying is quick and confidential. Even if you are unsure whether you qualify, we encourage you to apply, as eligibility can also help the school access additional funding to support pupils.

PTA News


The 60th Anniversary Festival is only 5 weeks away

Tomorrow will be the last day for collecting lidded wine bottles. Thank you for the donations so far.

There will be a volunteers request going out soon. If you are available to help out at the 60th anniversary festival or any of our other events throughout the year (disco's, Father's day gift sort out, Fireworks, Rainbow hamper sort out) please join the volunteers whatsapp group for information.

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/EJMqbP2Fm9S4A7nZoNw6ea>

On the day of the festival there will be:

 Food & refreshments

- 🎈 Inflatables
- 🛒 Craft stalls
- ⚽ Football & activities
- 🐾 Pony petting
- 🍷 Bar
- 🏆 Year 4 games
- ☀️ ...and hopefully lots of

sunshine!

🇬🇧 Wristbands for unlimited bouncing will be on sale from 15th May:

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/iwfspta>



Donations Needed

In preparation for our 60th Anniversary Festival on 13th June, we are collecting

- 🧦 Odd socks
- 🍷 Empty wine bottles (with lids)

From Monday, donation crates will be available at both the front and back of the school every Monday and Friday morning until 9am.

Thank you in advance for your support!



Icknield Walk First School PTA

60TH ANNIVERSARY FESTIVAL

13TH JUNE

12-5PM

FREE ENTRY

INFLATABLES
PONY PETTING
CRAFTS & STALLS
BOTTLE TOMBOLA
REFRESHMENTS
SPORTS & FOOD

Icknield Walk First School Poplar Drive, Royston, SG8 7EZ

Registered Charity 1110107

Five Dinners - ideas

Get FREE
meal plans

FREE FOR ALL RESIDENTS IN HERTFORDSHIRE
(WORTH OVER £80 PER YEAR!)

Fed up of deciding what to cook every night?

Want to save money on food shopping?

Want to eat healthier?

Then this is for you!

Get easy step-by-step meal plans & shopping lists - for FREE!



 Scan to get started!

[FiveDinners.com/MyCommunity](https://www.fivedinners.com/MyCommunity)

Events in and around Royston and other useful information

The Outdoors Project
OFSTED REGISTERED

CAMP CRAFT
THE OUTDOORS PROJECT

MAY HALF TERM HOLIDAY CLUBS

STUDLANDS RISE FIRST SCHOOL, ROYSTON

TUESDAY 26 MAY
BUSHCRAFT VS MINECRAFT
Minecraft comes to life outdoors! Team up to build your village using real bushcraft skills, earn reward pixels for completing survival challenges, & search for hidden resources to craft your tools. Take on Creeper & Lava Chicken games, protect your base, & experience Minecraft like never before! (knowledge of Minecraft is not required!)

WEDNESDAY 27 MAY
NATURE NINJAS: PROTECTORS OF THE PLANET
Join us as we learn how to take care of our planet through a day of hands-on nature fun! We'll try eco guerrilla gardening, head out on a bug hunt to explore tiny habitats & make plant print art inspired by the patterns in nature. A day about noticing the wonders in nature & learning simple ways to help our planet thrive!

THURSDAY 28 MAY
CAMPING HACKS: ULTIMATE OUTDOOR SKILLS
A hands-on day of real camping skills & outdoor fun! Kids will learn how to pitch a tent, carve creations from soap, toast popcorn over the campfire & play different team games. It's a confidence-building day to learn new skills, work together & enjoy the simple joy of being outdoors!

FRIDAY 29 MAY
NERF: RISE OF THE MACHINES
NEW for 2026! We'll team up to engineer giant robots, design our own mini clay machines & bring them to life before stepping into our high energy Nerf missions. From robot invasion & rescue, to alien attack games, it's a sci-fi day packed with teamwork, creativity & action! (Ages 6+ recommended)

MONDAY 1 JUNE (INSET DAY)
BEAR ISLAND CASTAWAY
Join us as we are washed ashore on a desert island far from home, known locally as "Bear Island". We need to build shelter, forage for resources, and build and cook on an open fire to survive. Luckily someone remembered to bring the s'mores! Watch out for wild bears!

ROAM
THE OUTDOORS PROJECT

"NO SCREENS, JUST GOOD FUN OUTSIDE!"
★★★★★

"THE KIND OF DAY EVERY CHILD SHOULD HAVE"
★★★★★

NERF SHARP SHOOTER
THE OUTDOORS PROJECT

OUTDOOR AMBASSADOR
THE OUTDOORS PROJECT

For more info on dates, locations and how the clubs run & to book: www.theoutdoorsproject.co.uk



IT'S YOUR CUE

THEIR IDEAS. THEIR STAGE.

A CHILD-LED DRAMA CLUB WHERE CHILDREN CREATE THEIR OWN STORIES, CHARACTERS AND PLAYS!

MONDAYS 3:15 - 4:15PM
ICKNIELD WALK FIRST SCHOOL
YEAR 3 (AGES 7 - 8)

£7 PER SESSION

**** STARTING AFTER MAY HALF TERM ****

TO SIGN UP OR FOR MORE DETAILS CONTACT ALISHA:
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Exciting news!



This year's **Royston in Blue** event is on

Sunday 28th June 2026.

The **5km fun run/walk** is a wonderful family event to take part in, to raise funds for The Teenage Cancer Trust.

It will be held at the Therfield Heath in Royston at 11am.

Last year the community of Royston and surrounding villages raised over £20,000 for The Teenage Cancer Trust.

We hope you can join us on the day.

You can look on the Royston in Blue Website

<https://roystoninblue.co.uk/>

or

Our link to RaceBest is

<http://racebest.com/races/7z2xa>

or



Scan me!

KING JAMES ACADEMY

Christmas FAYRE

**SUNDAY 22ND
NOVEMBER**

11 AM TO 3 PM

Stalls, Music & Refreshments

FREE ENTRY & PARKING

**King James Academy
(Senior Site)**

**Garden Walk
Royston
Hertfordshire
SG8 7JF**

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£0 extra cost to anyone

Please remember to use [easyfundraising](#) when you do any of your online shopping.

Over 8,000 retailers including eBay, John Lewis & Partners, Argos and M&S will donate to Icknield Walk First School PTA for FREE when you use [easyfundraising](#) to shop with them.

Want to know more, [see this handy intro](#)

These donations really help us and all you have to do is use [easyfundraising](#) when you're ordering the things you'll be buying anyway.

Weblinks that can help you

[NSPCC](#) - Online safety.

[Smartphone Free Childhood](#)

[Angels Support \(ASD & ADHD\)](#)

Herts CC [Relationship advice](#)

[Families Feeling Safe](#)

[NESSIE - Positive Mental Health](#) - Lots of talks and courses to help you and your child with their mental health.

[Supporting Family Links](#) - Promoting Strong Family Relationships with children up to the age of 12, lots of online courses to help.

Herts CC Cost of living resources - [cost-of-living-flashcard \(thegrid.org.uk\)](#)

North Herts Family Support Services - [www.hertsfamilycentres.org](#)

[www.supportinglinks.co.uk](#) - Workshops/training courses for parents/carers of children (up to age 25).

BeeZee Bodies - [www.beezeebodies.com](#)

[North Herts Special Provision updates - look here for SEN and Behaviour support](#)

[Free School Meals](#)

[Neurodiversity Support Hub](#)

Lumi Nova - Fun digital therapy for childhood anxiety - <https://luminova.app/>

Mind Hertfordshire Network -

The Sleep Charity - <https://thesleepcharity.org.uk/>