



NEWSLETTER



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SUMMERTIME

A very warm welcome back to all our children and families at the start of this final term of the school year (where does the time go?!) This is a particularly special time for our Year 6 children who are embarking on their final term in primary school before flying the nest.

The summer term is traditionally packed with lots of exciting events and activities including school trips, our special sports day, the KS2 summer production and of course our residential School Journey and Y6 Leavers events. This newsletter includes all the latest diary dates again, but please be aware that some things could be added as the term progresses; do keep an eye on these weekly newsletters for any new dates or date changes.

Roof Update

The roof works are progressing very well and it has been a busy couple of weeks at school while the children have been off on the Easter break. The flat roofs are complete now, and during the holidays, Classes 1 and 2 had new ceilings and LED lighting installed, meaning their rooms are now dry, fresh and bright.

You will have noticed from the outside that the work on the pitched roofs has moved swiftly too, meaning that neither Class 3 or 4 will need to move into the hall other than occasional days, which is brilliant. Work will continue until into the second half of this term, but the end is in sight.

There have been several other projects happening over Easter too; our electrics have been updated, Class 5 has been remodelled to improve the layout and the staffroom and teachers' workspace has had a much-needed spruce up – not bad for only two weeks! A **big** thank you to our site manager Mr Dickens, for overseeing all the holiday works.



SCHOOL UNIFORMS



In the main entrance there are some rails of pre-loved uniform items looking for new homes.

Please come and take what you need.

There is no charge, but if you wish to make a small donation to the PTA there is a donations box at the office.

Thank you to the parent volunteers for sorting and laundering it all 😊

Reminder: SATS and other assessments this term

Y6 SATs: Monday 13th – Thursday 16th May

Y4 Multiplication Check: commencing 3rd June

Summer assessments for Y1,2,3,4,5: beginning 3rd June, spanning two weeks

Y1 phonics screening check: commencing 11th June

Summer diary dates

All the dates for the summer term have been included again with this weeks newsletter. We still have a few dates left to confirm, so please keep an eye on the newsletters and your inbox as the term progresses.

We have also included next years term dates again so that you can avoid removing children from school for holidays.



Summer clubs

Summer term clubs start next week. Sometimes we will need to cancel clubs if they clash with other events such as sports matches, staff training etc. If we are cancelling in advance, it will be in the newsletter, so do keep an eye out for these as we don't send texts for these. Texts are only sent in the even of short notice cancellations such as bad weather or staff sickness.



Class 2 Cake Day

next week!

Friday 26th April





Sun Safety

Hopefully we will soon be having some warm, summer days. Here is our safe sun approach for when the sunny weather arrives.

- There are plenty of shaded areas under the trees and by the gazebo and children are encouraged to **play in the shade** on hot sunny days.
- All children should have a **sun hat or cap** to wear when playing out. St Ippolyts School caps can be bought from the school office. Please ensure all are NAMED clearly. *(On very hot/sunny days, children without a hat will not be able to go out to play)*
- You may wish to apply **sunscreen** to your child at the start of the day; however, children should not bring bottles of cream into school for reapplication. There are many brands which offer long-lasting/all-day protection and a liberal application in the morning would see them through the school day.
- Children should have a bottle of water with them in school each day which should be named. These must have a '**sports cap**' and **not an open bottle neck** to prevent spillages on children's work. Bottles of water must **not be frozen** (although specially designed water bottles where the centre section can be frozen to keep the water chilled are permitted).

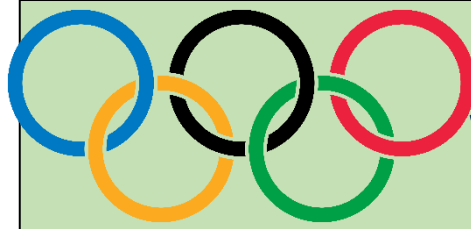


Hats for sunny days

We will be spending a lot of time outdoors this term and all children need a sun hat or cap for playtimes and PE. Although it is only April, the sun can be surprisingly strong. In the same way we wouldn't let children play out without a coat in the depths of winter, children without hats will need to miss outdoor time. This is to keep them safe from the sun, especially when using the field where shade is much more limited. It's a good idea for children to have a named hat or cap that is left in school all the time so that they are never without one when the weather is good. Thank you for your cooperation.

Jewellery & watches

A reminder that children can wear a simple watch for school, but **not a smart watch or Fitbit**. For safety reasons, hooped or dangling earrings are not allowed; if your child has pierced ears, only studs are permitted. Thank you.



OLYMPIC SPORTS DAY

Wednesday 22nd May at Ridlins

Tomorrow, Mr Jefferies will be sending a letter home with every child, explaining more details about our special Olympic Sports Day. The letter will include which country your child will be in and all the information and what to wear, bring, timings etc. Please check your child's bookbag!



PTA dates for the summer term

25th April: Summer Fair planning meeting

26th April: C2 Cake Day

3rd May: Quiz Night

21st June: C1 Cake Day

28th June: Summer Disco

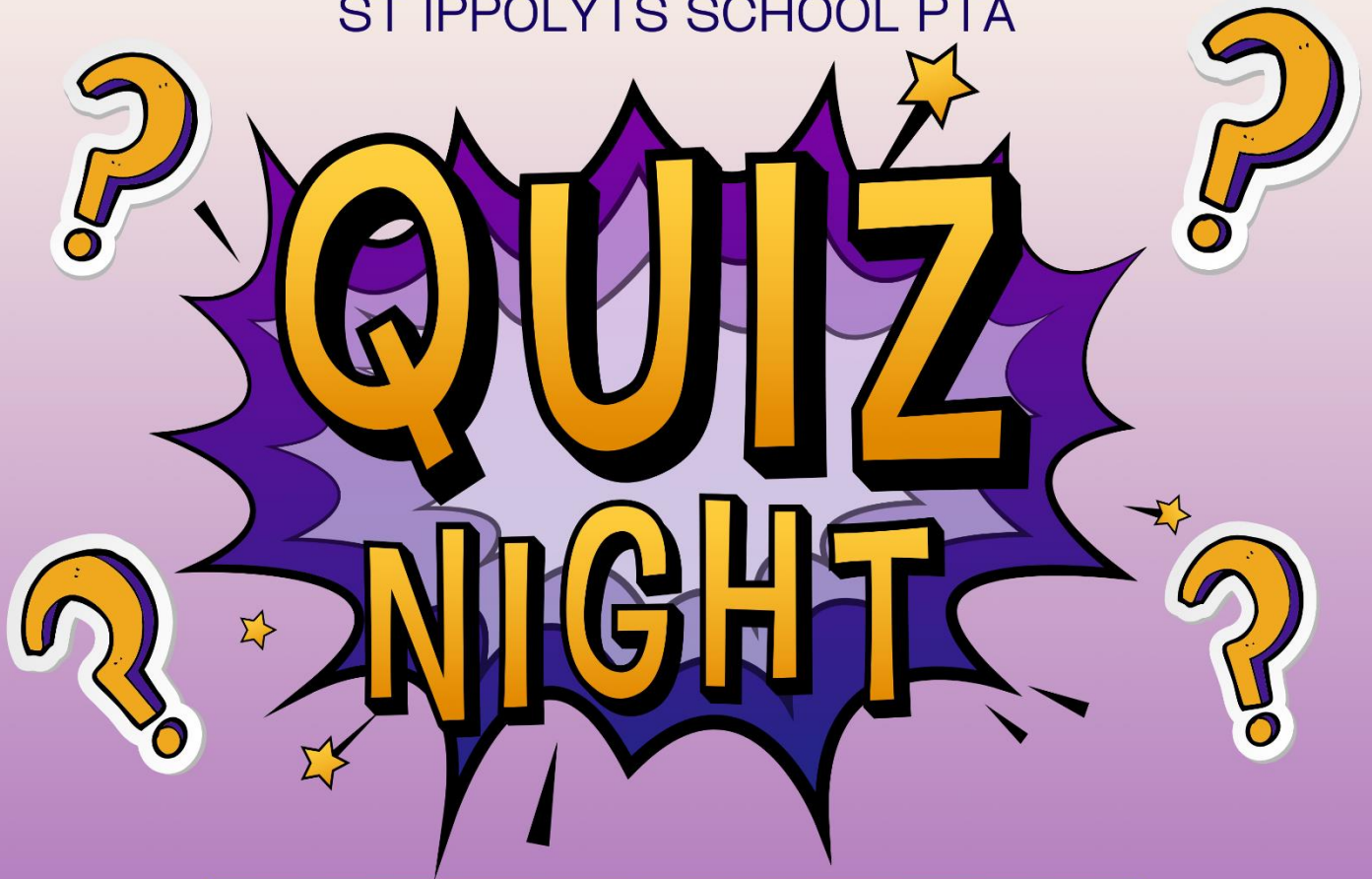
5th July: Summer Fair

Bag2School Collection Monday 22nd April

Please leave your bags on the village green by 9am

(Bin bags or similar are fine if you don't have the original bag sent home)

ST IPPOLYTS SCHOOL PTA

A large, stylized graphic for 'Quiz Night'. The words 'QUIZ' and 'NIGHT' are written in a bold, yellow, blocky font with black outlines, set against a purple, jagged, starburst background. Four yellow question marks with white outlines are scattered around the text, along with several small yellow stars. The overall design is vibrant and eye-catching.

QUIZ NIGHT

QUIZ & CURRY

**FRIDAY 3RD MAY 2024
7PM IN THE SCHOOL HALL**

Teams of 6 adults - get together with friends or make up
a team on the night

Bring your own drinks (and glasses)

Final date for bookings Friday 26th April

**£15 PER PERSON, CHICKEN, LAMB OR
VEGGIE CURRY**

Book online:

www.pta-events.co.uk/stipps

SUMMER

Please keep an eye on the newsletters for details of class trips etc

Date	Event	Additional Information
APRIL		
15 th	INSET Day	No school for children
16 th	Term begins 8.45am	
18 th	Class 2 Trip	
22 nd	BAGS 2 SCHOOL	Bags on the village green by 9am
25 th	PTA SUMMER FAIR PLANNING	Evening meeting at The Bird in Hand – please come!
26 th	Class 2 Cake Day	
MAY		
3 rd	PTA Quiz Night	Evening event in school for parents
6 th	BANK HOLIDAY	School closed
10 th	Class 2 Assembly	9.15am in the hall
13 th – 16 th	Y6 SATs WEEK	SATs breakfast for Y6 in hall Monday - Thursday
22 nd	SPORTS DAY at Ridlins	
23 rd	PGL meeting for Y5/6 parents	6pm in the hall
24 th	Finish for half term 3.15pm	
JUNE		
3 rd	Back to school	Assessment week for Y1,2,3,4,5 (spans 2 weeks) Phonics check Y1, Multiplication check Y4
7 th	PGL Newby Wiske Y5/6	
10 th	PGL trip returns	
11 th	Y5/6 & PGL staff not in	
14 th	Class 1 Assembly	Parents at 9.15am in the hall
18 th	Class & Team photos	
20 th	PGL Assembly	Parents at 9.15am in the hall
21 st	Class 1 Cake Day	
28 th	PTA Summer Disco	5.30-7pm
JULY		
4 th	New parents evening	6pm for Reception 2024 starters (parents)
5 th	PTA Summer Fair	3.30-5m
8 th	KS2 Production	matinee
9 th	KS2 Production	matinee
10 th	KS2 Production	evening
11 th	TRANSITION DAY	Y6 to secondary schools, new Reception intake visit
17 th	Y6 Leavers Service 2.15pm	
17 th	End of year family picnic	After school at the field, details to come
18 th	END OF TERM 2pm	
19 th & 22 nd	INSET Days	No school for children
23 rd	Occasional day	School closed



Term dates

2024 – 2025



AUTUMN TERM 2024	
2nd September	<i>INSET Day, no school for children</i>
3 rd September	Autumn term begins for children
28 th Oct -1 st Nov	Half term week
20 th December	END OF TERM 2pm
SPRING TERM 2025	
6th January	<i>INSET Day, no school for children</i>
7 th January	Spring term begins for children
17 th – 21 st February	Half term week
4 th April	END OF TERM 2pm
SUMMER TERM 2025	
22nd April	<i>INSET Day, no school for children</i>
23 rd April	Summer term begins for children
26 th – 30 th May	Half term week
18 th July	END OF TERM 2pm
21st July	<i>INSET Day, no school for children</i>
22nd July	<i>INSET Day, no school for children</i>
23rd July	<i>Occasional Day. School closed to staff & children</i>

ALL CHILDREN ARE REQUIRED TO BE IN SCHOOL UNTIL 2pm on 18th July 2025.

No absence for any reason will be authorised at the end of the summer term.

Very occasionally, term dates and INSET days may need to be changed. We will notify parents well in advance should this be the case. **Holidays should not be taken during term time; such absences will not be authorised. This includes days 'tagged on' to the beginning and end of school terms; these absences will also not be authorised.**