Dear Parents and Carers,

On Monday the school was a sea of Orange as students and staff donned orange clothing as part of our annual commemoration of Stephen Lawrence Day and the Ivanhoe commitment to anti-racism.

Students were asked to share their hopes and dreams for the future as part of a form time activity and this week's 'job of the week' was architect, which was Stephen's dream role.

If you would like to find out more about Stephen's story please visit: https://stephenlawrenceday.org/stephens-story/

A few more updates from me:



Safeguarding Theatre Performances Y8-y10



Thanks to a generous grant from the Ashby Education Fund all students in Year 8, 9 and 10 were able to watch an enthralling perfomance from ground breaking theatre company – Narrative Alchemy. They are a specialist education company dedicated to using theatre to address complex social issues.

Year 8 watched a performance called 'County Lines' which raises awareness of the County Lines model of Child Criminal Exploitation and year 9s and 10s watched a new performance called Unacceptable, looking at the topic of sexism. Both of these performances link with topics covered in our PSHRE lessons.

The use of drama to explore difficult topics can be an excellent way to engage, challenge and inspire change in young people. Although topics are taught and discussed with teachers, the opportunity to see these stories acted out adds gravitas to the seriousness of the

topics.

The shared experience of the year group ensures that discussions and challenge continue amongst peer groups and can lead to positive action against the topics discussed. We hope you'll discuss the performances and the topics with your child this weekend.

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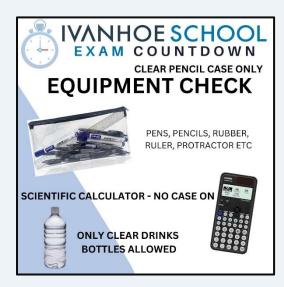
Year 7 Campout



The April showers did not deter our Year 7s from having an amazing time on their Camp Out Trip. This action packed weekend certainly kept the students busy with activities such as assault courses, climbing, tomohawk throwing, landboarding, campfires and more. A huge thank you to our staff team who gave up their weekend to make this trip a success.



Exam Season



Equipment

Does your child have their equipment ready for their exams? There are strict rules around what you can and cannot take into official exams.

Make sure you've checked all the guidelines in the official candidate exam handbook. https://www.ivanhoe.co.uk/ks4-exams-and-revision

Exam timetable

Our first GCSE exams started this week, with Art and GCSE MFL speaking exams next week. Please ensure your child is keeping track of their exam timetable and planning their revision accordingly.

Leicestershire Support Database

Joy, a free health and wellbeing support website, launched in march 2024, to support people living and working in Leicester, Leicestershire, and Rutland (LLR). Funded by the local NHS, Joy combines services provided by the NHS, local authorities, and the voluntary and community sector all in one place.

Joy will offer a diverse range of categories tailored to meet individuals' needs. From fitness and art classes to carer support, diabetes self-help groups, food banks, counselling, and Age UK services, the exciting new website will provide a comprehensive array of services. These services are designed to bolster the communities of Leicester, Leicestershire, and Rutland, setting Joy apart as a unique and engaging non-clinical health and wellbeing support service.



You can find all the support available by visititing the website: <u>Joy - The right support is just a few clicks away (thejoyapp.com)</u>

Homework Club - Thursdays 3.05-4.10pm

A reminder that everyone is welcome to our Homework club. Students can come and use the school computers to complete their homework, and get support if needed from our homework club team. If they need to work on any group projects, or want to do some revision with friends this is also a great opportunity to do that.

All students will need to make their own arrangements to get home, whether walking or being **collected**.

PSHRE and Wider Personal Development

Please find below information about next week's topics for PSHRE. If you have any queries regarding these, please contact

our subject leader Claire Gee on <u>c.gee@ivanhoe.co.uk</u>. The curriculum resources for these all lessons are available for parents on request.

IVANHOESCHOOL
HOMEWORK
✓ CLUB
Thursdays in ICT1
3.05-4.10pm
Everyone
Welcome

Year 7 – Careers Education Lesson 6
Year 8 – Careers Education Lesson 6
Year 9 – Careers Education Lesson 3
Year 10 – Careers Education Lesson 3
Year 11 – Revision and Exam Prep



Ivanhoe Way - Magic Monday Focus

Throughout the year in form time we look at practical ways that the 'Ivanhoe Way' can be applied to help students achieve and be happy learners. Next week we will be focusing on:

"Be present and get involved"

What's coming up...

Monday 6 th May	Bank Holiday – School Closed
Thursday 16 th May	Yr 7 Face to Face Parents Evening
Tuesday 21st May	Yr 7 Online Parents Evening
Friday 24 th May	End of Term
Monday 3 rd June	Back to School

That's all for this week. Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Allford

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Leicestershire Adult Learning Service









Free Course

Family Learning

Building your Child's Resilience

This is a free, 5-week online course for parents/carers. (adults only)



During the 5 sessions you will gain confidence to support your children's social and emotional needs to help them build resilience. You will explore:

- · Recognising, expressing and managing emotions
- Building self-esteem and confidence
- · Recognising how mindfulness, exercise and being outdoors can help the development of resilience
- Discover different ways to support your child with ideas for engaging, practical home activities

Venue:

Online via Microsoft Teams

Programme Dates and Time:

5 weeks starting Wednesday, 1st May 2024, 6:30 to 8:00pm

Course Code: 23SN105P

Use the FREEphone number or website below to enrol quoting the course code.

The tutor will contact you once you have enrolled with further information about the course.

Call FREEphone 0800 988 0308 www.GoLearnLeicestershire.ac.uk A /LeicsGoLearn