

Thursday 30th November 2023

BULLETIN

Dear Parents and Carers,

It was fantastic to see so many parents and students at our Family Forum tonight, discussing student rewards. Keep your eyes open for more information in the near future.

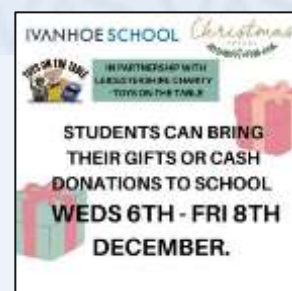
Thank you to everyone who contributed to the foodbank hampers this week. We had a fantastic response, and thanks to you lots of people will be able to enjoy the festive treats that many of us take for granted.

Toys on the Table



Next week is our Big Christmas collection for Toys on the Table.

We are really excited to be able to support such a worthy cause. Students should bring their gifts (or cash donation) to form during the week. If you know of anyone outside of school that would like to donate, they can bring their gifts to reception, or send in with an Ivanhoe Student or member of staff. Thank you in advance for your support – we know you will do us proud.



Here are a few more updates this week:

Bad Weather – School Closure Procedure

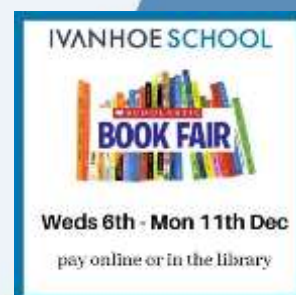
We are approaching the season of bad weather. As always wherever possible we will try our best to keep school open during snow storms with the help of our wonderful Premises Team. However, we must be mindful of student and staff safety when travelling to school including those students whose school busses may be cancelled, and onsite safety.

In the event of bad snow, please check our school website, where you will see a banner at the top of the page, which will let you know if school is closed. We will endeavour to send an additional message out to parents as soon as possible.

Scholastic Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fairs will be in the School Library next week. You can view a list of the books available in advance on our website. [Scholastic Book Fair 6th-11th December | Ivanhoe School](#)

Students can browse the selection of books and take home a wish list for parents to pay online, or students can pay with cash to our Librarian, Mrs Wilkinson.



STEAM Show Launch

Our STEAM Show has just been launched in assemblies this week. Entering its 7th year we expect it to be bigger and better than ever.



We also have some excellent sponsorship from Amazon and Rolls Royce which will mean amazing prizes for the winners. There is a meeting with interested students on Weds 6th December at breaktime. If you think your child might be interested, either to enter on their own, or in a team get them to come along and find out more.

Young Voices on Healthcare



Your local NHS wants to hear from young people aged 11-25 years old about your experience of healthcare.

They'd like to understand what matters most to young people about health services, so they can make improvements and meet your needs. Please encourage your child to get involved and share their views. [Click here for the website to feedback](#)

Christmas Events

Christmas Card Competition – 4th-15th December

Could your child design the official Ivanhoe Christmas Card? Students can collect and return an entry form in our school library. Or you could download one to print at home here. All completed entries will receive a small festive treat.



Christmas Dinner – Weds 13th December



Tickets will be on sale from 20th November to 8th December in the coffee lounge at breaktimes.

Free school meal children must also collect a ticket.

Family Quiz Night -Wednesday 13th December 7-9pm

Get yourselves in the festive spirit with a fun night out, raising money for Student Rewards. There will be a cash prize for the winning team as well as spot prizes for the best team name. Refreshments and 'Bonus Bingo' Tickets will be on sale on the evening too.



Christmas Concert -Thursday 14th December 7-9pm



Tickets are now on sale on Wisepay. Tickets include refreshments. There will also be a raffle on the night, please bring cash.

All money raised will go towards improving our music department.



School Music Lesson Opportunities

We have an exciting opportunity for music lessons in school in the form of 'The Band'. Learn to play Guitar, Bass Guitar, Keyboard, Drums or vocals. For more information students should speak to Mr Cubitt or Mrs Poole or email c.cubitt@ivanhoe.co.uk

We also can accommodate a range of peripatetic music lessons during school time including: Brass - Trumpet, Cornet, Trombone. Piano, Drums, Singing, Strings - Violin and Viola, Guitar, Woodwind - Flute, Saxophone, Clarinet

Lessons are either 20 mins or 30 mins and rough cost is £30 - £35 an hour, so approximately £15+ for 30 mins or £10+ for 20 mins.

Parents should email Mr Cubitt who will pass on the tutor details.



Reading Volunteers

We are still looking for reading volunteers to work with our students. If you are interested or know of anyone in the local community who might be interested in this rewarding experience you can email Tom Bonsell at t.bonsell@ivanhoe.co.uk



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 c.gee@ivanhoe.co.uk. The curriculum resources for these all lessons are available on Moodle.

Year 7 – What are Advent and Nativity?
Year 8 – Comparing Islam, Christianity and Judaism
Year 9 – What is Hanukkah?
Year 10 – Peace and conflict in Christianity
Year 11 – What do Heaven and Hell mean?



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 focussing on:

Be Kind

Assembly Focus:

We run a mix of House and Year Group Assemblies throughout the year. Next week’s assemblies will be in houses and about:

What does kindness look like in school?

What’s coming up...

Friday 1 st December	Disaggregated Day – School Closed to All.
Weds 6 th December	Year 11 face to face parent consultation evening 3.20 to 5.20pm
Thurs 7 th December	Year 11 online parent consultation evening 3.20 to 5.20pm
Weds 6 th -Fri 8 th December	Toys on the Table Christmas Appeal Collection Days
Friday 8 th December	Year 11 Geography Field Trip
Weds 13 th December	Christmas Dinner Day (Tickets on sale in coffee lounge)
Weds 13 th December	Family Quiz Night (tickets on sale wisepay)
Thurs 14 th December	Christmas Concert (tickets on sale wisepay)
Weds 20 th December	Year 9 into 10 Options Evening
Friday 22 nd December	Early finish for last day of term – 1pm finish.
Monday 8 th January	Back to School

That’s all for this week. Have a lovely long weekend. Don’t forget we are closed tomorrow.

Mrs Allford

