Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2024

Welcome to

IVANHOE

SCHOOL

A journey to excellence

All visitors please report to reception

#### **Dear Parents and Carers,**

With only one week left until the end of this Half Term, and half way through the longest term in the school year, students have really had the opportunity to settle into the school year. This week we held our first parent's evening of the year with our Year 7 families and it was a fantastic opportunity for our form tutors to share how well students have been getting on so far.

With our second cohort of Year 11 students nearing the start of their trial GCSE exams we will be running a dedicated session in preparation next week.

All Year 11 students and their parents/carers are invited to our 'Commitment to Success' event on Wednesday 16th. The session will be focused on helping our young people achieve GCSE success. The session will cover what to expect from the GCSE process as well as an introduction to revision techniques. It is also an ideal opportunity to ask any questions you may have. There is no need to book a place



## Remembrance Day Monday 11th November



On Remembrance Day this year, we are inviting all students who attend a 'uniformed' group that commemorates Remembrance Day outside of school, to wear their group uniform to school on Remembrance Day. This includes groups such as Cadets, Guiding, and Scouting. This does not include sports groups.

# **Wisepay Accounts - Reminder**

Please be reminded that students must have sufficient funds in their Wisepay accounts before attempting to purchase food. Please note that we will not be able to supplement any requests with credit; therefore, it is essential that students ensure they have the correct amount available at the time of purchase.

If your child needs to add funds to their account during the school day, they are welcome to visit reception to call you for assistance. However, please be aware that if we are unable to reach you after ringing, we will not be able to provide your child with food.



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Thank you for your cooperation and support in helping us maintain a smooth and efficient service for all our students.

### **British Sign Language Club**

Our first ever British Sign Language Club has now started. Under Mrs Steel's tutelage students have begun to learn some basic signs including their names, ages and prepositions. The group meets monthly, then in between they are invited to meet together in the library to practice with each other. The next session will be after half term and all students are welcome.



#### **Staff Fundraising for Open Hands Trust**



This October Ivanhoe Staff, alongside staff from the MAT, will be running the Leicester 10KM/Half Marathon for Open Hands who go the extra mile for people in need in Leicester. Open Hands Trust are a local charity who meet the practical needs of people in need and then support them through a journey of responsibility towards independence and employment. Every week Open Hands receive hundreds of visits to their Compassion Centre where they provide emergency food, clothing, and furniture, and English classes. All money raised will help continue their amazing work.

If anyone would like to donate to the Ivanhoe Team's fundraising efforts you can do so by clicking here: <u>Alison allford is fundraising for Open Hands (justgiving.com)</u>

#### Scientific Calculators Reminder



Please be reminded that students in Years 9, 10 & 11 will be expected to bring a scientific calculator to their Maths classes after October Half Term.

Casio calculators are preferred and are extremely popular. (Casio FX-83GTCW Black Scientific Calculator: Amazon.co.uk: Electronics & Photo). However, there are range of options from as little as £6.00 (ASDA Scientific Calculator - ASDA Groceries / Tesco Scientific Calculator Black & White Assortment), with retailers like Amazon typically having devices available for around £10.

Should you have any questions about a specific make/model please reach out to your child's Maths teacher. Please see last week's bulletin for full details of why a scientific calculator is an essential piece of school kit for students.





# **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 <a href="mailto:c.gee@ivanhoe.co.uk">c.gee@ivanhoe.co.uk</a>. The curriculum resources for these all lessons are available for parents on request.

	PSHRE Topics 07/10/24-14/10/24	
	PSHRE Topic	RE Topic
Year 7	Being an anti-racist	What does belief mean?
Year 8	What is County Lines?	What is the Quran?
Year 9	Dangers of Alcohol and Drugs	What is the Torah?
Year 10	Peer Pressure	What is the Torah?
Year 11	Right-wing Extremism	What is the Torah?



#### **Ivanhoe Way 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 responsible for managing your time

## What's Coming Up

Break up for Half Term	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> October
Back to School	Monday 28th October
Year 7 Halloween Disco (More details next week)	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> November
School closes at 2.00pm (staff training)	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> November
Children in Need (cake sale)	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> November
Leicestershire Toy on the Table (More details to follow)	Nov/December

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

Mrs Allford - Headteacher

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# **Community News**

#### **Paddington in Ashby**

Ashby is very lucky to be one of only 23 towns in the UK to be gifted a Paddington Statue as part of a celebration trail of everyone's favourite Marmalade loving bear and to promote the return of Paddington to cinemas this November. This will be a great draw to the town and a huge boost for local businesses, so let's all keep an eye on him and ensure the artwork is respected and kept in tip top condition for all to enjoy.





