

Friday 4th October 2024

BULLETIN

Welcome to
IVANHOE
SCHOOL
A journey to excellence
All visitors please report to reception
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Dear Parents and Carers,

A quick reminder to parents and students that with the ever-changeable weather, a warm, waterproof school coat is an important part of the school uniform. Please remind students that hoodies are not an acceptable alternative to a coat, and a coat is not an alternative to the school blazer being worn. We will continue to be rigorous with our uniform expectations with behaviour sanctions for those not following the school rules around dress code.

Please can I remind you again of an early school finish on 14th November 2024 to accommodate staff training. School will close at 2.00pm and buses will arrive early. Thank you for your continued support.

Student of the Month



Congratulations to Our September Students of the Month!

We are thrilled to announce our September Students of the Month, who exemplified the Ivanhoe Way through their outstanding commitment, positive attitude, and excellent attendance.

Congratulations to Stanley, Millie, Erin, and Freddie! Each of these remarkable students embodies the values we strive to uphold at Ivanhoe. Their dedication not only inspires their peers but also enriches our school community.

Mrs. Pennington and Mr. Perkins, our attendance team, expressed their pride in their achievements, emphasising how their consistent attendance and positive attitude set a great example for everyone.

Year 7 settling in reports

Settling in reports have now been emailed home and are on Arbor Parent Portal ready for your settling in evening next week. Please click on the following link to access 'School Cloud' to book your appointment: [Parents Evening Booking Guide | Ivanhoe School](#)

Attendance Update

We understand at this time of year there can be an increased number of bugs and illnesses and we would never want students to come to school if they are genuinely sick.

However, if your child is feeling a little under the weather, or just suffering from a cough or cold, it is better for them to be in school. Not only can being in school take their mind of mild symptoms, but it can also help to reduce anxieties when returning to school after an absence as well as ensure your child is up to date in their lessons without having to do additional catch up.



We do have space in the library, hall and dining areas where students can stay inside during breaks and lunches if they prefer not to go outside.

Flu Vaccination – Friday 11th October



Another way to keep your child well this winter is by signing them up for the flu vaccination.

The vaccination is offered annually to all school age children from reception to Year 11. It helps protect against seasonal flu and serious related complications, such as bronchitis, ear infections and pneumonia. It will also help to prevent the spread of flu and protect others who are vulnerable.

To sign your child up for either the injection or nasal spray options please follow the link: leicsandrutlandimms.co.uk and use organisational code LE138350. The portal for sign up will close Midnight on Weds 9th October.

Wisepay Accounts

Effective from Monday, 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.

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

European Day of Languages -26th September



Throughout Europe, 700 million Europeans are represented in the Council of Europe's 46 member states and all are encouraged to discover more languages at any age, as part of or alongside their studies.

This stems from the Council of Europe's conviction that linguistic diversity is a tool for achieving greater intercultural understanding and a key element in the rich cultural heritage of our continent.

The European Day of Languages has been celebrated since 2001 with a different theme each year. This year the theme is Languages for Peace.

During the Ivanhoe celebrations all MFL teaching groups had the opportunity to learn snippets of different languages and there was an Inter-house quiz for tutor groups.

Why not have a go with your family at one of the rounds from the quiz. The winner of this year's quiz was Water House. Some form groups also had a go at some team challenges such as building the Eiffel tower from paper and designing some posters based around the theme.



Scientific Calculators



In Year 9, 10 & 11 Maths classes, after October Half Term, we will require students to have a scientific calculator for use in their Maths lessons.

A scientific calculator is an essential tool for students taking GCSE examinations, offering numerous benefits that can enhance their learning and exam performance. These calculators are designed to handle complex mathematical functions such as trigonometry, algebra, and logarithms, which are all part of the GCSE syllabus. All bar one of the exams allow the use of a calculator.

By using a scientific calculator, students can solve challenging problems more efficiently, reduce errors in calculations, and save valuable time during exams. Moreover, regular use helps them become familiar with the calculator's functions, boosting confidence, and allowing them to focus more on problem-solving strategies rather than manual computation. Encouraging your child to practice with a scientific calculator not only strengthens their understanding of key concepts but also prepares them for the demands of the exam environment. Whilst we do not require students to use a specific make/model of scientific calculator, we do request that they have the following functionality.

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- four rules and square
- square root
- reciprocal and power function
- brackets
- a memory facility
- appropriate exponential, trigonometric and statistical functions

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.

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 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 focussing on:

Be respectful

What's Coming Up

Year 7 Settling in Evening (more details to follow)	Wednesday 9 th October
Break up for Half Term	Friday 18 th October
Year 7 Halloween Disco (More details to follow)	Friday 1 st November
School closes at 2.00pm (staff training)	Thursday 14 th November
Children in Need (cake sale)	Friday 15 th 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

Community News



You are welcome to join us at our SEND Parent Support Group Drop in

YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN US TO MEET WITH OTHER PARENTS TO GAIN AND SHARE ADVICE AROUND CARING FOR CHILDREN WITH ADDITIONAL NEEDS. ENJOY A DRINK AND BISCUIT IN A SAFE ENVIRONMENT, WHILST TALKING ABOUT ALL OF THE JOYS AND CHALLENGES YOU FACE EACH DAY.

2024/2025 DATES

10th Sept 24	8th Oct 24	10th Dec 24
8th Jan 25	11th Feb 25	11th Mar 25
8th April 25	12th May 25	11th June 25
8th July 25		

10.00AM - 11.30AM

Barwell Children & Family Wellbeing Centre
Barwell C of E Academy
High Street Barwell
LE9 0DS

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ANY OTHER FAMILY HELP SEND FAMILY SUPPORT WORKERS - 07700 20000
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Managing Stress	Menopause and Mental Health	Mental Health Awareness
9th October 2024: 12:00 - 13:30	24th October 2024: 18:00 - 19:30	1st October 2024: 12:00 - 13:30
22nd October 2024: 18:00 - 19:30	25th October 2024: 12:00 - 13:30	10th October 2024: 18:00 - 19:30

Mindfulness	Self-care
2nd October 2024: 18:00 - 19:30	1st October 2024: 18:00 - 19:30
10th October 2024: 12:00 - 13:30	22nd October 2024: 12:00 - 13:30

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