

NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents and Carers,

What a brilliant final Summer term we've had! It has been full of brilliant work and so many incredible activities and achievements from the students. First and foremost, we want to wish all the Year 11 students the very best of success for the future and to say we are so proud of you!

On a personal note, I am marking my last day at Ivanhoe School. I've loved working here and will truly miss the amazing staff team and the students too. Thanks to all the parents for your continued support, and I know Mrs Steere will be very much welcomed by you in August!



INCLUDED IN THIS ISSUE:

- Farewell to Mrs Allford
- Ashby Arts Festival
- New Head Students
- Mentors in violence Prevention
- Duke of Edinburgh
- London Visit

And more.....

We trust everyone has a restful Summer break and we look forward to welcoming the students back on Wednesday 27th August.

Mrs Allford

Headteacher

GOOD LUCK TO MRS ALLFORD



She might be retiring from headship and having a well deserved rest but she will continue in developing educational excellence in our community working part time training new teachers to the profession.

She said a fond farewell to her year 10 class this afternoon who she says have made her last year at Ivanhoe so special—the one thing she will miss more than ever will be teaching.



ART DISPLAYED IN ASHBY FESTIVAL

We are impressed by the work of Year 9 students who have their piece, titled BBC Earth, in Ashby's Community Arts festival earlier this term. Adrian Samuel, Art and Ceramics teacher, shares about their inspiration:

“Our students created this board inspired by the documentary series Planet Earth. They chose this theme because of their shared fascination with animals and the natural world. At Ivanhoe, we often use Planet Earth documentaries in our learning to deepen our understanding of the planet and the incredible range of animals—some of which live on the other side of the world from us.



NEW HEAD STUDENTS 2025-6



We are delighted to announce the appointment of our new Head Students for 2025-26 Miley and Hollie.

They have lots of great ideas in how to contribute the feedback from the student body into the development of the school.

They will be ably assisted by Deputy Head Students, Kai, Ava, Harrison and Sienna. We have also appointed Grace, Harry and Rebecca as student ambassadors supporting students in KS3 to ensure their voice is heard.

MENTORS IN VIOLENCE PREVENTION

Training the next cohort of 30 Year 8 soon to Year 9 MVP Mentors ready for 2025/26
In partnership with [Official Ashby Ivanhoe FC Website](#) and [Home | Violence Reduction Network](#)



PRIDE



GOLDEN TICKET EVENT



At the end of term students with golden tickets were invited to participate in a Golden Ticket event of ice cream and fun on the field. This event was to celebrate and reward those who consistently, day in day out, put the Ivanhoe Way into practice. As you are aware, the Ivanhoe Way focuses on a good attitude teamed with good attendance to help aid excellent achievement.

PE UPDATES



Athletic Finals

There has been so many Sports accomplishments this Summer term. We are proud that some of our Year 7s competed at National Level in May in the Sports hall Athletics UK Finals at Stoke on Trent. Stan and Aidan won a bronze medal in Relay and Riley got a PB in Long Jump. As a team, they finished 6th overall. Congratulations – what a fantastic effort!



Gold Medals in Javelin

Also in May A huge congratulations to Anora and Saoirse for both winning gold medals at the weekend at the Leicestershire County Championships! Anora won the u17 Javelin and Saoirse the u13 javelin - such great effort!

DUKE OF EDINBURGH

What a wonderful year for the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme at Ivanhoe!

Mrs Stevenson and Mrs Lane have thoroughly enjoyed working throughout the year with Year 9 and 10 students as they participated in their Bronze and Silver Award activities.

Assessor's reports are flying in now, and hopefully after the summer break, we will have news of around 40 successful Awards! Preparing for and completing their overnight, walking expeditions was definitely the most challenging part, but the students did themselves proud, without exception! Such resilience - a humbling experience for all.

Our sincerest thanks go to our staff volunteers, Miss Gee, Mr Mills, Mr Malkin, Miss Gee and Mrs Anderson, without whom this amazing opportunity would not be possible, and to all our DofE parents who have supported us throughout. A true team effort



YEAR 8 MEDICAL MAVERICK WORKSHOP

Medical Maverick team came in and ran an introduction into healthcare workshop for our Year 8 students. Trainee doctors ran the session giving a medical equipment presentation overview first and then let the students loose to experiment on the apparatus. Highlights include ECGs, a fake arm to practise drawing blood, and looping the string through the holes to get a taster of key hole surgery.

Students also used an ultrasound machine to measure bone growth, and trialled goggles which simulate the impact of 14 units of alcohol on vision. This was an excellent session geared up to facilitating an insight into the healthcare and medical world for students considering this life career option.



YEAR 7 LONDON TRIP

The Year 7s had a fantastic couple of days away on the annual London trip. Students were kept busy with a full itinerary including the Tower of London, Natural History Museum, Piccadilly, Trafalgar Square, Thames River cruise, Buckingham Palace and the London Dungeons. The pictures captured speak for themselves!



YEAR 11

It has been an amazing 5 years with the class of 2025. Highlights here including KS4 awards, Leavers Assembly and shirt signing on the field! We will miss you, and all the best for the future including for Results day!



YEAR 10 CAREERS EXPERIENCE

Our Year 10 students had a fantastic day exploring and experiencing different job industries in Leicester. As part of their Year 10 careers curriculum, we offer them a chance to have a meaningful experience in a workplace and to meet industry experts and professionals. This year we chose the Law, Hospitality and Sport industries to offer a wide range of choice and interest for our students. We visited Leicester Town Hall, Leicestershire Tigers, local Cafes and cinemas and Novotel.



RESULTS DAY 21ST AUGUST

Results of the public examinations from the summer season will be available for students to collect from school at 9am on Thursday 21st August from 9am - 11am in the Coffee Lounge. In preparation for this, students should ensure the contact details we have for them are correct

Should students not be able to collect their results in person on 21st August, it is possible for them to nominate a relative to collect them on their behalf. To do this, they should inform us via email to exams@ivanhoe.co.uk, stating who will be collecting on their behalf and what their relationship to the student is. The nominated person will then also need, on August 21st, to bring a signed note from the student authorising them to collect their result envelope, along with a form of photo ID belonging to the student.

CHARITY HAIR CUT

One of our Year 7 pupils Kaitlyn has had her haircut for the little princess trust. She has managed a length of 24" for them (2 is the minimum) She has so far also managed to raise £1000 towards the cost of making her hair into wigs for children. Each wig costs £700 to make so almost enough towards 1 1/2 wigs. She is going to try and get to 2!

Below is her fundraising page so you can see how well she has done.

<https://gofund.me/3a60a7a2>



A BIG THANK YOU TO KP FOODS

Ivanhoe School extends our heartfelt gratitude to KP Foods for their generous support in supplying complimentary snacks for our school events this school year. They have brought joy to both staff and pupils, making our gatherings even more special. We are truly grateful for their kindness and for being such wonderful partners in our school com-



UPCOMING DATES

Thursday 21st August	GCSE results day—9-11 am in the coffee lounge
Wednesday 27th August	Back to school—all students—Full blazer uniform
20th—27th October	Half term break
Friday 28th November	School closed—teacher training day

CONCERNS OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL HOURS

We seek to do everything we reasonably can to ensure the safety and wellbeing of our students. I am sure you will appreciate that there are limits to this outside of school hours and especially during the holidays.

We would therefore recommend that you:

- Monitor closely your child's activity on social media. Most of the problems we have to deal with at the start of each term relate to antisocial behaviour that has taken place online during the holidays. If your child is being seriously abused online, contact the police. <https://www.ivanhoe.co.uk/protecting-your-child-online>
- Let us know if there have been any issues that we need to be aware of as soon as possible so we can respond promptly and appropriately when school reopens. We cannot guarantee that we will be able to respond to emails etc. out of school hours.
- Contact Social Services if you feel they should be aware of an issue.

You can call the Social Services Central Duty Team on 0116 305 0005 or

make an online referral via the following link <https://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/leisure-and-community/community-safety/report-abuse-or-neglect-of-a-child>

- Contact the police on 999 straight away if you believe a child is in immediate danger.

Thank you for your support on this matter.

Emma Boussida

Deputy Headteacher