



# TEAM IPSLEY UPDATE!

## Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2026

### Message from Miss Saul

This week, 50 of our Year 7 pupils embarked on an **unforgettable adventure** to the beautiful coast of northern France, representing Team Ipsley with **pride, enthusiasm and maturity** every step of the way!

During their visit, pupils immersed themselves in French language and culture through a range of **exciting experiences**. They enjoyed a hands-on baking session in a traditional French boulangerie, explored a bustling market town, visited a fascinating snail farm, discovered the remarkable exhibits at the Dynamo Museum, and learned about the history of the Second World War during a visit to a V2 bunker.

What stood out most, however, was the exceptional conduct of our pupils. Throughout the trip, they demonstrated the very best of Team Ipsley's values, showing kindness, respect, curiosity and resilience. Staff regularly received compliments from members of the public, tour guides and venue staff who were impressed by our pupils' manners, behaviour and willingness to engage with new experiences.

The children embraced every opportunity to practise their French, whether ordering food, asking questions or interacting with local people. Their confidence grew with each day, and it was wonderful to see them stepping outside their comfort zones and making the most of this unique opportunity.

We are incredibly proud of every pupil who took part. They were outstanding ambassadors for our school and true role models for their peers. The trip provided memories that will last a lifetime while helping pupils develop independence, cultural awareness and a deeper understanding of the world beyond the classroom.

Thank you to our staff team for making the visit possible, and congratulations to all of our Year 7 travellers for showing the very best of Team Ipsley. You should be immensely proud of yourselves – we certainly are!

On 2 June 2026, Year 8 pupil Ksavery broke Ipsley's long-standing Year 8 boys high jump record: the previous mark of 1.50m, set in 2009, had stood for 17 years, but Ksavery cleared 1.52m – a brilliant achievement. His perseverance and resilience were clear as he stayed focused throughout, steadily improving and clearing each jump he faced. Teachers and peers are immensely proud of him for his determination, sportsmanship and the example he sets across the school. Well done, Ksavery!

Team Ipsley have also done a brilliant job of representing the school through their artwork entered into the CRST Arts Award competition on the theme of 'Who we are, Who we become'. The exhibition is a fantastic celebration of the creativity, individuality and talent of our Ipsley pupils, who entered 50 pieces of art, and of students across the Trust. The range of work on display is genuinely incredible! You can see the art work using the link below.

<https://www.artsteps.com/view/69cac04cbd6001776ab30bec>

Have a great weekend, Team Ipsley!

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# PHOTOS OF OUR WEEK



Year 7 in France

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# TEAM IPSLEY PRIDE

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## IPSLEY C of E MIDDLE SCHOOL

As Team Ipsley, we strive to create a **community** where all flourish, following God's example by loving each other as He loves us. Together, we become the best versions of ourselves by being **ambitious**, **courageous** and **kind**, creating a **community** which can achieve anything we set our minds to.

### AS TEAM IPSLEY,

### WE TAKE

#### PRIDE IN PUNCTUALITY

**P** Excellent attendance at school is essential

**R**

**I** Aim for 100% attendance each week

**D** Show you are ready to learn and achieve by arriving on time to school

**E** and lessons

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## **Pride in Being a Church of England School**

In this week's Collective Worship, pupils thought about the question 'What does it really mean to help someone in need'. Using the parable of The Good Samaritan to help us answer the question, we then found out about National Volunteers' Week.

Volunteers' Week happens every year from the 1st to the 7th of June.

It's a time when we stop and say thank you to people who give up their own time to help others.

These people don't get paid for what they do. They might help in a food bank, run a sports club, support a church or charity, visit people who are lonely, or help look after our local area. They do it because they care – because they want to show love in action.

How does volunteering link to the parable of The Good Samaritan?

The Good Samaritan:

- noticed someone in need
- stopped instead of ignoring him
- used his time
- used his resources
- showed compassion
- did something practical



That's what volunteers do. They don't just say, "Someone should help." They say, "I can help."

How can we do this at Ipsley?

At school, we can be like the Good Samaritan when we:

- help someone who is upset
- include someone who is alone
- look after younger pupils
- speak up for someone who is being left out
- notice when someone needs a hand and step in
- you don't have to be older, stronger or famous to be a helper.
- you just have to be willing.



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# IMPORTANT MESSAGES

KEY MESSAGES, UPCOMING DATES FOR THE DIARY & SAFEGUARDING

## Attendance

Our latest attendance initiative is linked to the upcoming World Cup! Our classes have all been assigned a team and are competing to see who can win prizes for having the best attendance. With some potential late nights coming up due to the kick off time of some matches, pupils need to stay focussed on getting themselves into school and ready to learn! Ask your child about Turn Up For Your Team for more details!



## Important Dates!

11<sup>th</sup> June - Spoken Word Club Production  
17&18th June - Yr 8 Chester Residential  
19<sup>th</sup> June - KS3 Athletics  
25<sup>th</sup> June - Morgan Stanley Session

## Safeguarding at Team Ipsley

Being safe in school and beyond, including online, is our most important school rule. When pupils join Team Ipsley, they join our safeguarding team. We are all responsible for staying safe and supporting others to stay safe too. The members of staff below are our school safeguarding leaders, and you can speak to them about any concerns you have. These members of staff are always there to help if you, or somebody you know, could be unsafe for any reason.



Miss Taylor



Miss Saul



Mrs Curtis



Miss Hills



Mr Williams



Mrs Field



Mrs Soden



Miss Jackson



Mr McRobie



Mrs Cross

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