

TEAM IPSLEY UPDATE!

Friday 8th May 2026

Message from Miss Saul

Another great week has flown by – it has been packed with **brilliant experiences!**

We are very fortunate to be trialling a set of VR headsets in school this week in our KS3 science lessons. Year 7 have been **exploring exotic habitats** to learn about predators and prey by using these virtual reality headsets and have been describing what they see to their partners. There were actual squeals of delight from the pupils as they swam with sharks and were approached by a cheetah! There were some brilliantly detailed descriptions of the scenes given by pupils whose oracy skills helped their partners identify which habitat they were in and the animals that they saw.

We have had some amazing Year 5 learning log homework come into school this week. Linked to the topic of **volcanoes**, we have had models, posters, writing and many other ingenious ideas to tell us more about what pupils have learned in their topic so far. Some of these volcanoes are actually active and produced some **very impressive results!**

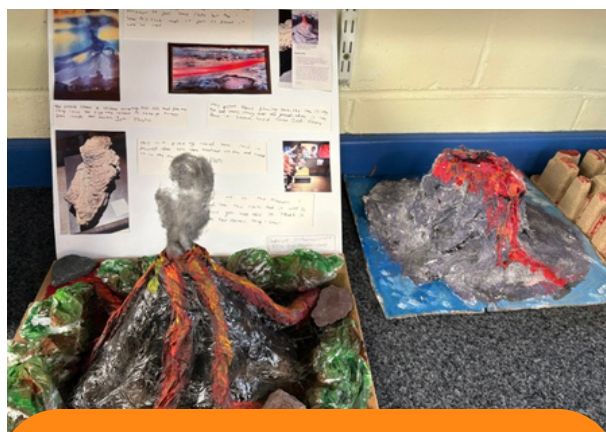
We love it when our pupils come up with great ideas and this week, Alexia in Yr6 came up with the idea of creating a mascot for our library! Alexia would like to introduce us to **'Paige'** (get it?), a book worm who keeps an eye on all the books in the library. She is shy, kind and loves reading – although she has been known to eat the odd page of a book! Look out for Paige hiding in various places around the library on your next visit! You can see her picture on the picture pages below.

Finally, we are wishing **lots of luck** to our Year 6 pupils for their SATs tests next week. They don't actually need any luck – they have worked so incredibly hard and are so talented that we know they are going to ace their tests! Plenty of sleep, rest, good food and fun this weekend please, Year 6 – that is the best preparation as you are so ready for next week!

Have a great weekend, Team Ipsley!



PHOTOS OF OUR WEEK



Year 5 Volcanos



PAIGE

Appearance: A bookworm, colours blue, purple and pink

Personality: Shy, kind, calm

Description: Paige is a bookworm who loves reading! If a book is broken, she occasionally licks them to!

Paige, our wonderful new library mascot, created by Alexia in Year 6



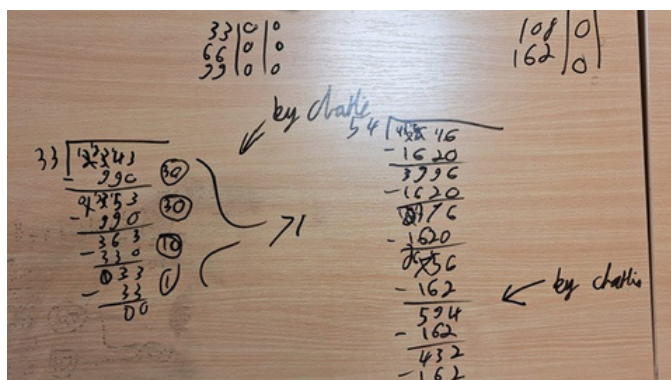
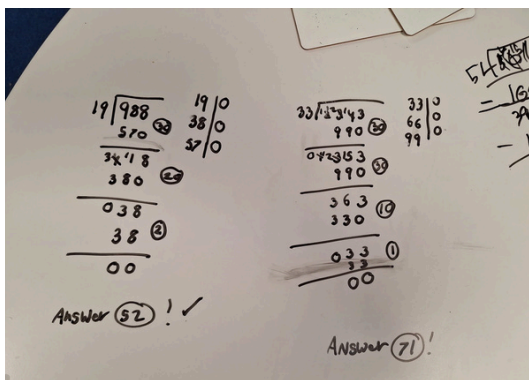
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Beautiful artwork in Year 7



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Year 6 have been practicing their long division as they prepare for their SATS next week – we are so proud of their hard work and know they will do brilliantly!

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TEAM IPSLEY PRIDE

AS TEAM IPSLEY, WE TAKE PRIDE IN EVERYTHING WE DO

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

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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 and lessons

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Pride in Being a Church of England School

This week in our Collective Worship, Miss Nicholls and her class told us all about Ascension Day, linked to our values of hope and wisdom.

The Ascension of Jesus refers to when Jesus, after his resurrection, spent 40 days spreading wisdom and the word of God to his disciples before ascending into heaven in the presence of his disciples.

Jesus' ascension signifies hope by demonstrating Jesus' victory over death and the promise of eternal life.

On Ascension day, Christians around the world attend church services and take part in prayers and singing hymns. Churches are often decorated for the day, often with brightly coloured flowers.

Our prayer helped up to focus on the week ahead:

*Dear God,
Please fill us with wisdom—
to make good choices,
to listen carefully,
and to learn from our mistakes.
Help us to be thoughtful and kind,
to use our words wisely,
and to treat others with fairness and respect.
Guide us each day
so that we grow in knowledge,
in confidence,
and in kindness.
Amen.*

**But the wisdom from above
is first pure, then peaceable,
gentle, reasonable, full of
mercy and good fruits,
unwavering, without
hypocrisy.**



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IMPORTANT MESSAGES

KEY MESSAGES, UPCOMING DATES FOR THE DIARY & SAFEGUARDING

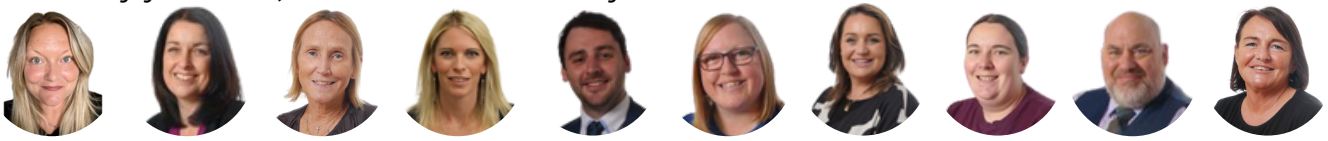
| SATS TIMETABLE Wb 11th May (Week A) | | | | |
|---|--|--|---|--|
| | 8:00-8:30 | 8:30-10:40 | 10:40-11:00 | 11:00-11:50 |
| MONDAY | <i>Good Luck</i> | Revise in your classes Start the Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar test at 9:30 | | Start the Spelling test at 11:20 in your classes |
| TUESDAY | Breakfast in the Food Room! Come along and get toast. | Revise in your classes Start the Reading test at 9:30 | Break time go via the trolley in the Year 6 area | Normal lesson - Maths revision |
| WEDNESDAY | | Go straight to your Maths groups for revision Start the Arithmetic test at 9:50 | to get cereal bars and fruit. | Start the Reasoning test at 11:20 |
| THURSDAY | | Go straight to your Maths groups for revision Start the Reasoning test at 9:40 | | Normal lesson |
| FRIDAY | <p>You have completed SATS!!!</p> <p>There are no SATS tests today but there will be some fun activities!!</p> | | | |

Important Dates!

11th May – YEAR 6 SATs WEEK
 22nd May- Ipsley Fest
22nd May - BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM
 1st June - Return to school

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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