

# TEAM IPSLEY UPDATE!

## Friday 22nd May 2026

### Message from Miss Saul

The sun is out, **Aston Villa win a trophy** and we have a wonderful day at our **IpsleyFest** celebration – what a brilliant week to end a fabulous half term!

IpsleyFest 2026 was a **huge success** and a brilliant day enjoyed by pupils and staff alike. From the moment the event began, there was a **fantastic atmosphere** filled with **excitement, laughter, singing and smiling faces** across the school.

Pupils had the opportunity to enjoy a wide range of activities, making the most of the **festival atmosphere** and spending valuable time with friends. From enjoying the bouncy castles to taking part in activities and soaking up the sunshine, there was plenty of **fun and excitement** throughout the day. The wonderful BBQ and ever-popular ice cream van were also a huge hit!

Seeing pupils **relaxed, happy and making memories together** made the day especially rewarding. Staff commented on the enthusiasm, positivity and excellent behaviour shown throughout the event, and we were incredibly proud of how pupils embraced everything IpsleyFest had to offer.

A huge **thank you** goes to all of the staff who worked so hard behind the scenes to organise and run the event. We would also like to thank parents and carers for your continued support, which helps make opportunities like this possible for our pupils.

IpsleyFest was a **wonderful celebration of our school community**, and we are already looking forward to next year!

Somehow we have reached the end of another half term! We hope you have a **wonderful** half term holiday and make some great memories together in the sunshine. We will see you all bright and early at 8.30am on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June for the start of our last half term of the year!

**Have a great half term, Team Ipsley!**



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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 OUR PERFORMANCE

**P** Proud of our achievements

**R** Resilient when things get tough

**I** Inquisitive by asking and answering questions

**D** Determined to try hard and learn from mistakes

**E** Exceptional work is our goal!

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

In this week's Collective Worship, Miss Clements and her class told us the story of Jonah and Nineveh. Jonah is told by God that he must go to Nineveh and tell the people living there to lead better lives or God will punish them. But Jonah doesn't want to do God's bidding, so he jumps aboard a ship going in the opposite direction.

God sends a great storm, and the sailors throw Jonah overboard and he is swallowed by a whale. Jonah spends three days in the whale's stomach praying to God for forgiveness and eventually, the whale releases him. God gave Jonah a second chance to go to Nineveh and Jonah goes to deliver God's message. "Forty more days and Nineveh will be overthrown" (Jonah 3:4)

The people of Nineveh believed Jonah's warning. Even the king of Nineveh rose from his throne, removed his royal robes, covered himself with sackcloth, and sat in ashes. He issued a decree for everyone to turn from their evil ways, hoping that God would relent from His anger and spare the city.

Seeing their sincere repentance, God showed mercy and did not bring the destruction He had threatened. In this story, God gave both the people of Nineveh and Jonah a second chance after forgiving them for doing something wrong.

So far this year, you may have gotten something wrong, but it is not too late to correct those mistakes. If someone has done something wrong to you or hurt your feelings, try and offer someone forgiveness this week and give them the chance to make up for their wrongdoing.



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# IMPORTANT MESSAGES

KEY MESSAGES, UPCOMING DATES FOR THE DIARY & SAFEGUARDING

## Safeguarding announcement!



Your local Safer Neighbourhood Team will be at St Andrews Church, Church Hill on Friday 12th June from 12pm - 1pm

Please take this opportunity to raise any concerns you may have and to find out what we are doing to tackle the issues that matter to you.

Everyone is welcome and it would be great to see you there.



In this week's safeguarding message to pupils, Mrs Curtis has been reminding pupils about how to stay safe over half term, especially while it is warm. We know the vast majority of our pupils always behave in an exemplary manner when out and about but Mrs Curtis also had to speak to pupils to remind them of how they need to behave respectfully in the community, as we have had some local residents telling us that pupils are knocking on doors and running away, or not using communal spaces such as the Rocket, local green spaces and the two shopping centres respectfully as they head home from school or in the evenings. Our local PCSO, Clive Rainbow, will be out and about over half term to support young people with behaving safely and respectfully.

**Important Dates!**

**22<sup>nd</sup> May - BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM**  
 1<sup>st</sup> June - Return to school  
 3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> June - French Trip  
 11<sup>th</sup> June - Spoken Word Club Production

## 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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