

TEAM IPSLEY UPDATE!

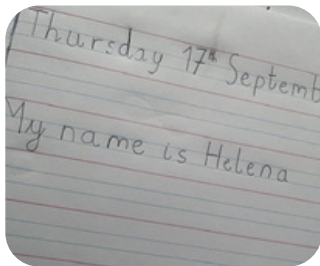
Friday 18th September 2026

Message from Miss Saul

Welcome to this week's newsletter!

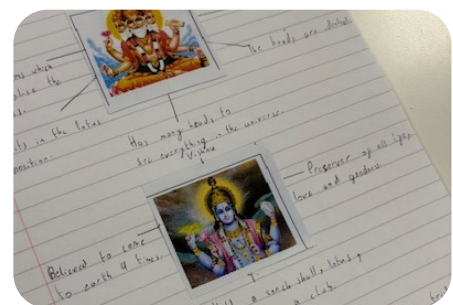


I have been **very impressed** this week with the excellent art work being produced across the school, with Year 8 learning how to draw the features of faces and using different techniques to add depth and definition. Year 6 are **developing skills** to ensure there is plenty of detail in their drawings before they move on to learning how to draw in 3D.

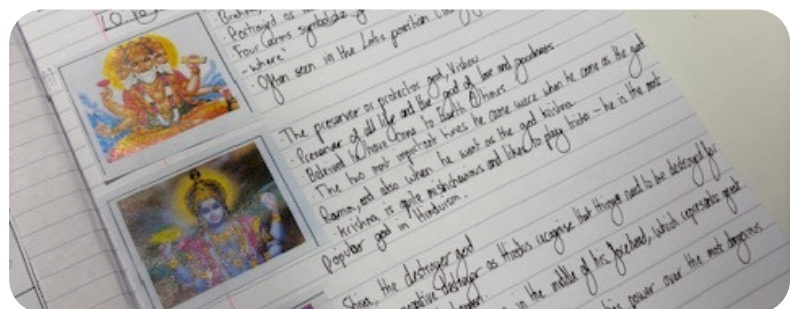


Year 5 have been practising their foundational skills with a focus on handwriting. They have used exercises to warm up their fingers before really spending time learning to form their letters correctly. I can't wait to see their **beautiful writing** in their books soon! A big shout out to Miss Sloggie's class who I had to give Team Ipsley points to this week for such **great handwriting!**

Year 6 are learning about Hinduism and this week they are finding out some key facts about the Hindu Gods Brahma, the creator god, Vishnu, the protector god and Shiva, the destroyer God. Great work 6JHY!



Finally, **Thank you** to everyone who attended the Year 8 Aspiration Evening this week. There was a brilliant turnout and all our pupils left with clear targets for their last year in middle school!



Have a great weekend!

Team Ipsley!



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AS TEAM IPSLEY, WE TAKE PRIDE IN:

OUR PUNCTUALITY AND ATTENDANCE

At Ipsley, we celebrate excellent attendance because it directly supports pupils in reaching age-related expectations and building the resilience they need for later life. Even occasional absences can build up quickly. A few days missed can disrupt learning sequences, meaning pupils may struggle to keep pace in English, maths, and other subjects.



OUR PRESENTATION



Our pupils look so smart in their uniforms and PE kits! Our new Year 7 pupils have done a great job of ensuring they are ready for their football lessons this term by wearing the official school polo shirt and shorts. Plain black or navy jogging bottoms or leggings are fine for cooler days and we have the optional Ipsley fleece to help pupils stay warm, or you can wear a plain black or navy sports jumper – but no hoodies please!

BEING A CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL

Mr Johnson's class told us the story of the creation of the world from the Bible this week, taking us through what God created on each of the six days. We then heard what other religions believe about the creation of the world and thought carefully about what we could learn from these stories and put into action each day:

- Look after what has been created and what is all around us.
- Take your time and pride with what you're creating.
- Respect other people's views and beliefs



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IMPORTANT MESSAGES

KEY MESSAGES, UPCOMING DATES FOR THE DIARY & SAFEGUARDING

Parent Governor Recruitment

Would you consider giving some of your time to support your child's future?
Would you like to join an amazing team of governors?

In this voluntary role we can guarantee an insight into this fantastic school.
We are strategic, professional and a team, and want the best for every child!
Are You Ready to Make a Difference as a Governor?



Ipsley C of E Middle School currently has two vacancies for a Parent Governor to join the school's Local Academy Governing Board and we would love to hear from you!

If you, or someone you know, is interested in becoming a Governor, or if you'd like to know more about what governance involves, please see the attached role descriptor. If you would like an application form, simply email enquiry@ipsley.crst.org.uk The application deadline is Friday 2nd October 2026.

If we receive several applications, there will be a ballot organised where parents of Ipsley pupils can vote for their preferred candidate.

Please speak to your teacher for more information



TOAST, CEREALS, MILK, FRUIT, YOGHURTS

FREE TO ALL KS2 STUDENTS,
FOOD TECH ROOM, 8AM TO 8:30AM

Does your child struggle to get up in the morning or is it a battle to get them to school on time? Why not get them to start the day with a healthy breakfast with friends at our Breakfast Club! It's free, no charge, nothing to pay, no sign up, no booking, for all Key Stage 2 students; they just need to turn up. We offer wholemeal toast, no added sugar cereals, fresh delicious fruit and nutritious yoghurts, in a quiet and relaxing atmosphere. After eating this delightful and robust food, they can then stay warm in the library, looking at books or talking quietly to friends, or if they prefer, they can go to the playground and chill with friends outside. Your child will be met at the front gate by one of our friendly Achievement Assistants, who will direct them into school every day we operate: Monday to Friday, 8am to 8:30, in the food tech room. Go on, give us a try!

Important Dates!



23rd - 25th September - Pioneer Residential Trip
29th & 30th September - KS2 Parents Evening
22nd October - Open Evening
23rd October - SCHOOL CLOSED - TED DAY
26th - 30th October - HALF TERM
2nd November - 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. Your safeguarding team are: **Miss Taylor, Miss Saul, Mrs Curtis, Miss Hills, Mr Williams, Mrs Field, Mrs Soden, Miss Jackson, Mr McRobie and Mrs Cross.**

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