



TEAM IPSLEY UPDATE!

Friday 13th February 2026

Message from Miss Saul

What a fantastic week to end a very busy half term for Team Ipsley!

This week has been Children's Mental Health week and in PSHE, KS2 have been leaning about their mental health and the importance of being themselves and recognising where they **belong**. They followed a lesson from the mental health charity Place2Be to create an island of belonging.

This week, Year 6 and Year 7 got musical at Symphony Hall, enjoying an **electrifying performance** by the City of Birmingham Orchestra. The performance toured everything from classical symphonies to the theme tune from Star Wars, with pupils recognising many of their favourite melodies and even discovering some new ones along the way! Pupils enjoyed being able to apply their musical knowledge from their studies in school to this **fantastic experience** – and some were even able to enjoy a dance along too.

Yesterday, pupils in Year 5 visited outer space in a planetarium experience. Building on their learning in the classroom, our young scientists journeyed distant from planet Earth to discover the wonders of our solar system and beyond. Pupils were in awe of seeing science in action as we explored different worlds far from our own, and this even led to some of our **own reflections about the importance of taking care of our planet around us**.

Today, we have been recognising the excellent collective effort our school is making towards recognising the importance of school attendance. We know that our families understand that no minute of learning should be lost unnecessarily, and being in the classroom is the most important place for our young people to **grow, learn and flourish**. Today, we celebrated this with all pupils with Golden Time in KS2 and an extended lunchtime in KS3.

Over half term, a reminder that our office inbox will not be being monitored, but you can check our school website for helpful links and guidance around staying safe and reaching out if you need support.

I hope you all have a restful break, and we will see you back in school on Monday, 23rd February 2026.

Miss Saul

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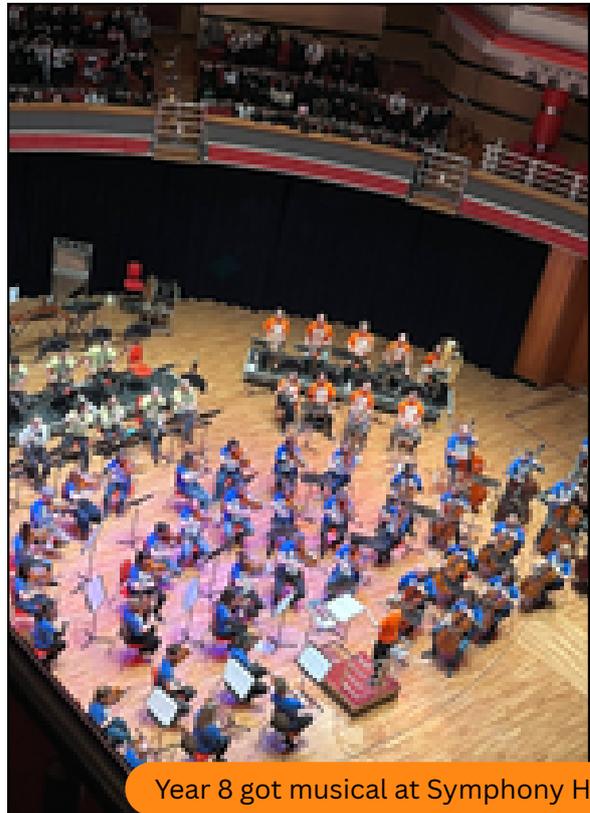


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PHOTOS OF OUR WEEK



Year 5 enjoyed an out-of-this-world experience in our planetarium!



Year 8 got musical at Symphony Hall!



Pupils created their own exotic Islands of Belonging for Mental Health Week!

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TEAM IPSLEY PRIDE

AS TEAM IPSLEY, WE TAKE PRIDE IN EVERYTHING WE DO

PRIDE in Punctuality and Attendance

Our attendance team are already working hard on looking at ways we can recognise our excellent collective effort towards attendance next half term.

We are pleased to let you know that Year 5, Year 6 and Year 8 have all finished this half term above the national average for attendance – well done! Year 7, your mission is clear: can you rise to the challenge next half term?

PRIDE in Person

As we move into half term, a reminder to check your child's school uniform ready for the return to school. If your child dyes their hair over the half term break, this will need to be dyed back to natural colours before your child returns. Similarly, any pupils who have false nails fitted during half term will need to have these removed before the return to school. Thank you for supporting our consistent standards for all pupils' Pride in Person.

PRIDE in being a Church of England School

In this week's Collective Worship, the value of the week was Love. Mr Bunn and his class told everyone about the story of St. Valentine and how he supported Christian's to show their love to each other even when they were not allowed to practise their religion.

Pupils were asked to consider how they could show love to each other this week through acts of kindness. Miss Pearson linked this in her Collective Worship about Ramadan and encouraged the pupils to show love within the community.



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IMPORTANT MESSAGES

KEY MESSAGES, UPCOMING DATES FOR THE DIARY & SAFEGUARDING

SAFEGUARDING MESSAGE

A final reminder that there is information available on our 'Stay Safe Team Ipsley' pages on the school website which you can access over the half term break should you need any support for your family. Our school inbox will not be monitored until we return to school on Monday, 23rd February 2026.

KS3 Hockey Success



KS3 boys played in the District Hockey tournament last night and after a tremendous effort came away District Champions! Scoring a whopping 16 goals total and conceding none! The boys represented Ipsley fantastically, showing resilience, courage, ambition and outstanding sportsmanship, even the singing on the bus on the way home was fantastic! Miss Nicholls is very proud!

Dates

13.2.26 Break up for half term

23.2.26 School re-opens for pupils

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 Jilks



Miss Jackson



Mr McRobie



Mrs Cross

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