



Ipsley C of E
Middle School

TEAM IPSLEY UPDATE!

EDITION: FRIDAY 9TH MAY 2025

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.

This week has seen us celebrating VE day! Pupils learned all about the historic day 80 years ago and heard about how people felt when they heard that the war in Europe was finally over. It was lovely to see our pupils dressed in red, white and blue, with many of them bringing their Union Flags, too!



Year 5 were treated to a special visit from author Maz Evans this week, who came in to deliver a special assembly to the year group this Thursday. We all enjoyed reading her book *Who Let the Gods Out* earlier in the year and it was wonderful to hear Maz talk about the inspiration behind her books, what it is like to be an author and the different tips she would give to anyone interested in writing. The children had prepared lots of interesting questions to ask her and were a credit to the school in the way they listened and interacted during the session!

It has been brilliant to see so many pupils receiving **PRIDE** tokens this week in recognition of their **PRIDE** in Presentation of their work, **PRIDE** in their Person, **PRIDE** in their Punctuality and **PRIDE** in their Performance. Well done to everyone who was entered the draw.

Keep up the good work everyone. We look forward to awarding more **PRIDE** tokens next week!

Finally, we are wishing Year 6 all the best for their SATs week next week! You are all so well prepared and should be very proud of how hard you have worked – **good luck, Year 6!**

Have a great weekend, Team Ipsley!



Miss Saul

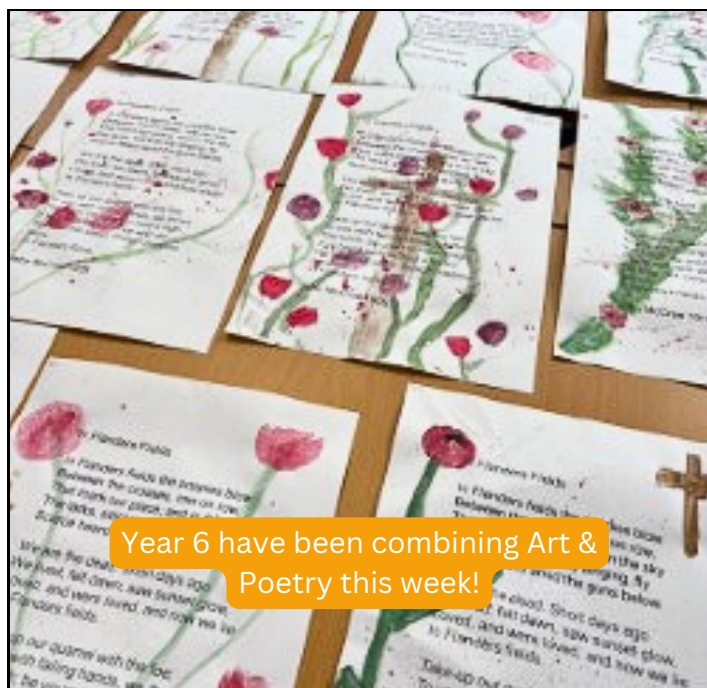
Principal & Designated Safeguarding Lead

THIS WEEK IN PHOTOS

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Year 5 were treated to a special visit from author Maz Evans this week!



Year 6 have been combining Art & Poetry this week!



Lots of Red, White & Blue on show this Thursday, commemorating VE Day.

IMPORTANT MESSAGES

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What should you do if you have any worries or concerns?

Please ensure that if you have any worries about your child in school that you contact us so we can arrange for you to speak to someone from our pastoral team. We see posts and subsequent comments on public social media which are often anonymous so that we cannot reach out to help.

We are available via phone on **01527 525725**, email enquiry@ipsley.crst.org.uk and our Contact Us form on the school website [here](#). Parents can also book a meeting with our SEN team [here](#).

Year 6 SATs message from Mr Scarle

Next week is SATs week and I wanted to share with you a PowerPoint that I delivered to the children this morning ([click here](#)). Our primary job next week is to ensure that the children are supported, confident and happy at school - allowing them to achieve the best that they can do!

I will update you daily on how the children have done but if you have any questions, queries or problems - particularly around attendance and illness, please let the office know as soon as possible and a message will get to me.

PRIDE initiative

Thank you for your ongoing support in our **PRIDE** initiative – we have been delighted with how much **PRIDE** pupils have shown in their presentation, person, punctuality and progress. A reminder of our **PRIDE** initiative can be found [clicking here](#).

Dates for the diary

Please see below a list of upcoming dates for the diary:

Date	Group	Description
Monday 12th May	Year 6	First day of Year 6 SATs week!
Monday 19th May	Year 5	First day of Year 5 test week
	KS3	First day of KS3 test week
Friday 23rd May	School	Pupils & staff finish for May HT at 15:15pm
Monday 2nd June	School	Pupils & staff return to school at 08:30am
Tuesday 3rd June	Year 8	Chester residential (day one)
Wednesday 4th June	Year 8	Chester residential (day two)
Wednesday 11th June	Year 7	Habberley Trail trip
Tuesday 24th June	School	Winyates & Matchborough Community Café (Summer)
Wednesday 9th July	School	Transition (day one)
Thursday 10th July	School	Transition (day two)

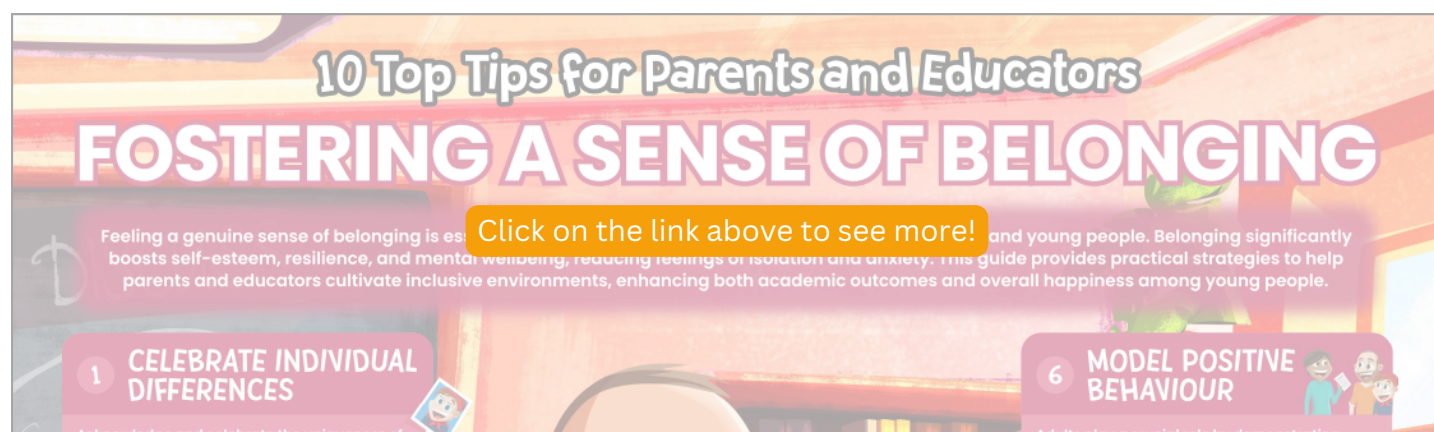
STAY SAFE, TEAM IPSLEY!

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Stay Safe, Team Ipsley!

This week's Stay Safe, Team Ipsley is all about how we can support our young people to foster a strong sense of belonging as this is the foundation for emotional wellbeing, confidence and academic success.

[This guide](#) has ten practical, easy-to-apply tips such as celebrating individuality, promoting participation and tackling bullying head-on, empowering parents and educators to foster a culture of belonging at school and at home.



Safeguarding reminder

In our weekly Safeguarding reminder in Friday Collective Worship we have focussed on reminders about anti-bullying expectations in school and online.

Pupils were reminded about what bullying looks like, its impact on others, and school expectations around how we treat each other. Pupils know that we expect them to **Be ambitious** – expecting only the highest standards of behaviour towards each other, **Be courageous** – calling out any unkind behaviour and reporting it to a trusted adult and to **Be kind** – treat each other in a respectful, caring and loving way at all times.

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 on this page 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.



S. Pickstone
Safeguarding Governor



A. Saul
Principal & DSL



D. Curtis
Director of Inclusion



J. Hills
Vice Principal



M. Williams
Vice Principal



L. Field
Assistant Principal



S. Jilks
KS3 Phase Leader



N. Jackson
Behaviour & Wellbeing



J. McRobie
Behaviour & Wellbeing



C. Cross
Behaviour & Wellbeing

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP IS THE HEARTBEAT OF OUR SCHOOL

Florence Nightingale

In this week's Collective Worship, Mrs Soden's tutor group told us all about Florence Nightingale to celebrate National Nurses Week.

Florence Nightingale was the founder of modern nursing. She became widely known during her time serving as a manager and trainer of nurses during the Crimean War.

She had the idea of doing rounds, which involved talking to her patients and comforting them. She became an icon of the Victorian culture, gaining the persona of 'the lady with the lamp' because she even made her rounds to the wounded soldiers during the night.

Florence Nightingale made a significant difference because she reduced death rates. She devised the revolutionary idea of improving hygiene and living standards within hospitals and did this by cleaning them from top to bottom. Florence believed that the wounded soldiers would have a better chance of recovering if their surroundings were clean. This was revolutionary because during this period there was still no connection between germs and infection.

Nurses are known for their skill, dedication and professionalism. Florence Nightingale passed her knowledge on to nurses so that they could give care and hope to those that needed it.

We reflected on how Florence was brave enough to make a change and do something revolutionary.

What change can you make to give those around you hope?

“May the God of hope fill you with all joy & peace so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.”

Romans 15:13

Click here for more information on Collective Worship at Team Ipsley.