

TEAM IPSLEY UPDATE!

The weekly newsletter of Ipsley C of E Middle School

SPRING 2 - WEEK 4
FRIDAY 15TH MARCH 2024



KS2 have been making marble runs this week in Science lessons!



A handful of brilliant book covers designed by pupils!



A successful information evening for those attending the Opal Coast trip!



Year 7 have been to Worcester Cathedral this week!



Team Ipsley won the KS2 Redditch Hockey tournament on Friday!

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MESSAGE FROM MISS SAUL

Happy Friday everyone! I hope you have had a good week! Team Ipsley has been busy as ever!

Three classes in Year 7 have been on their visit to Worcester Cathedral this week, having a tour of the amazing building and learning about the history of the cathedral. Pupils were fascinated by the size of the building, the beautiful stained glass windows and the stories they were told about famous people buried there and the cathedral's history.

Meanwhile, back in school, our KS3 pupils have been learning about finances in their PSHE lessons. They have been finding out about credit and debit cards and how to budget so that they can be financially healthy in the future.

In science lessons this week, we have been celebrating British Science week and all children have been engaging in practical's to do with this year's theme, 'Time'. In Key Stage 2, they have been making a slow course for a marble and in Key Stage 3, they have been building a nocturnal (an instrument to determine local time using two or more stars in the night sky). The children have certainly shown determination and resilience in completing these tasks!

Year 8 pupils have finished their food technology lessons this week by making quesadillas. I was lucky enough to be in one of these lessons and the pupils loved being able to follow a recipe and produce something delicious! Not so keen on the washing up though!

Today we took part in Comic Relief's annual fundraising event, Red Nose Day. Children swapped their school uniform for their home clothes and donated £1 for this worthy cause. We will update you soon with the total raised.

Will you be tuning in to BBC One tonight to watch the Red Nose Day show?

Finally, huge congratulations to Ellie B who has been picked as a finalist in the Redditch United kit design competition! Voting will take place in the Kingfisher Shopping Centre on Monday 25th and Wednesday 27th March. Please make sure you vote for Ellie!!!

Have a great weekend, Team Ipsley!

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MESSAGES FROM IPSLEY

The Starting Well Partnership supports parents, families, children and young people across Worcestershire. Families can access support from Health Visitors, Parenting Support Workers, Community Nursery Nurses, School Health Nurses, Health Care Assistants, Volunteer Coordinators, Community Health Connectors, Business Support Officers and Administrators. They provide support, advice and clinics from Family Hubs, community spaces, schools and GP surgeries. [Click here](#) to access their website. Resources to support you can be found by [clicking here](#).

As a school, we work closely with our **Local Community Policing Team** to ensure that our community is safe and well supported. Our local team are:



- PC Caitlin Hayes (22368)
- PCSO Clive Rainbow (8230)
- PCSO Weronika Syrzan (40586)

The team are always happy to speak to you about how they can be of help!



CRST schools are supporting Birmingham Children's Hospital this year as part of their charity week in April!

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ATTENDANCE

This week's top performing classes are:

Year 5	Year 6	Year 7	Year 8
5B - Miss Hill	6B - Mr Bunn	7C - Miss Winch	8F - Miss Nicholls

This year's top performing classes so far are:

Year 5	Year 6	Year 7	Year 8
5E - Mr Taylor	6E - Mrs Capper-Smith	7B - Mrs Barker/Cowie	8B - Mr Greavy

UPCOMING TRIPS & EVENTS

Date	Description
Monday 18th March	Year 7 Worcester Cathedral (day two).
Tuesday 19th March	Year 7 & 8 Parents evening (night one).
Thursday 21st March	Year 7 & 8 Parents evening (night two).
Friday 22nd March	Year 7 Morgan Stanley.
Tuesday 9th April	Year 6 Parents evening (night one).
Thursday 11th April	Year 6 Parents evening (night two).

UPCOMING TERM DATES

**EASTER
HOLIDAY**

SCHOOL CLOSURES TO PUPILS ON **FRIDAY 22ND MARCH**

PUPILS RETURN TO SCHOOL ON **MONDAY 8TH APRIL**

**MAY
HALF TERM**

SCHOOL CLOSURES TO PUPILS ON **FRIDAY 24TH MAY**

PUPILS RETURN TO SCHOOL ON **MONDAY 3RD JUNE**



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COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

Collective Worship has seen a focus on **community** this week, with the start of Ramadan and St Patrick's Day being celebrated this weekend.

8C-CLO informed the school about what Ramadan is, what it involves and what it means to the Muslim community. They reminded us that you do not have to be a Muslim to take the opportunity this month to be the best you can be.

8B-NGR then taught us about the background behind St Patrick's Day and why it is celebrated now. Mr Greavy gave an insight to how he will be celebrating with his friends and family this weekend. This focus on the worldwide community went hand in hand with our contributions to Red Nose Day and the great work they do to help those in need.

“We rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.”

Romans 5:3-5

More information on Collective Worship at Team Ipsley can be found on our website by [clicking here](#).



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