



TEAM IPSLEY UPDATE!

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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.

Welcome to the last week of term! Time certainly flies when you are having fun!

We start with massive congratulations to two of our Year 5 pupils, Amy C and Phebe C, who beat off stiff opposition from across the Trust to win a World Book Day competition. The girls' response to the question, 'In a world of screens, why are books still important?' impressed the judges to be crowned first place in the Y4-6 category. Well done girls, and to everyone who took part in the activities celebrating the importance of reading here at Ipsley!

Thank you so much for your support with our charity week. We have had a brilliant week with some great events to raise money for Birmingham Children's Hospital. The cake sale raised well over £500 and that is down to your generous donations! Pupils thoroughly enjoyed the huge selection of cakes and it was clear that we have some very good bakers. Great British Bake Off watch out! This afternoon, once again, our pupils showed enthusiasm and generosity in support of our charity fundraiser and a lot of fun was had by all as they visited our tutor stalls. We will let you know the grand total donated to Birmingham Children's Hospital after the Easter holidays. A huge thank you to Mrs Lamb for organising the charity week with help from our amazing school council! And a big thank you to Team Ipsley for their generous support for such an important charity.

I hope you have a relaxing holiday and a wonderful Easter, Team Ipsley! We look forward to welcoming our pupils back at 8.30am on Monday 28th April for the start of the Summer Term!



Miss Saul

Principal & Designated Safeguarding Lead

The banner features a blue background with a water ripple effect. On the left, there are tropical plants and flowers. The text reads: "WINYATES & MATCHBOROUGH SUMMER COMMUNITY CAFE EVENT 2025". On the right, the Ipsley C of E Middle School logo is at the top, followed by the date and time: "TUESDAY 24TH JUNE FROM 3:20PM TO 5:30PM". Below this, a white box contains the text: "We are still in the planning stages, but are happy to announce that the hugely successful Community Café event will be returning to Ipsley this Summer! More details will be shared soon!"

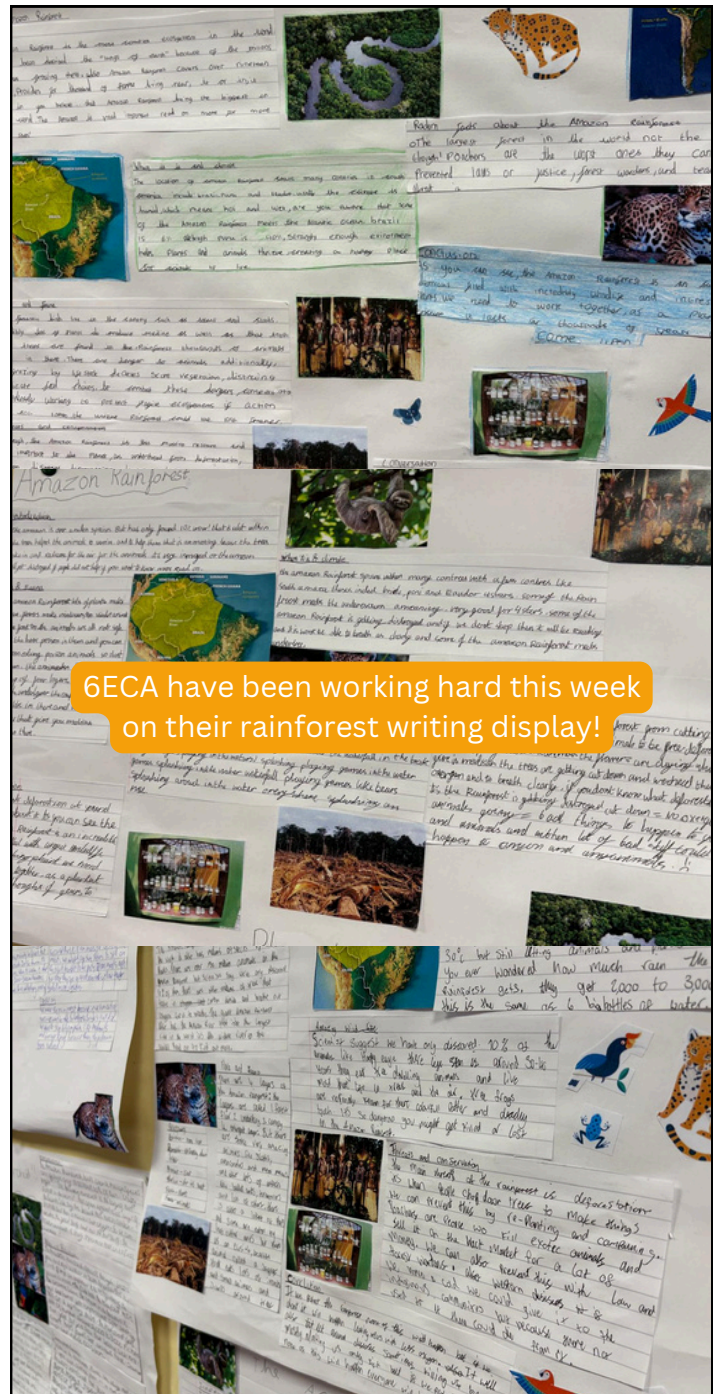
HAPPY
Easter

THIS WEEK IN PHOTOS

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Lots of amazing cakes and treats for our bake sale!



6ECA have been working hard this week on their rainforest writing display!



Plenty of fun in the sun on Friday!



IMPORTANT MESSAGES

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PRIDE initiative

Thank you for your 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](#). After the break, we will be focussing on PE kit.

A reminder of PE kit expectations

On PE days, pupils should attend school in their full PE kit. This includes their Ipsley PE top (rugby and/or polo shirt). Pupils can wear plain black or navy shorts or jogging bottoms. These should either be completely plain, with no slogans or, if necessary, only a small, discreet logo. Sports leggings are permitted on PE days, but must be plain black or navy and not meshed. Pupils should wear trainers appropriate for physical activity. **No hoodies are to be worn in school.** Pupils should not wear their PE kit on non-PE days. There are further details and specifications of our uniform policy on our website. You can access this quickly by [clicking here](#).



Dates for the diary

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

Date	Group	Description
Friday 11th April	School	Staff & pupils break up for Easter at 3:15pm
Easter: Monday 14th April to Friday 25th April		
Monday 28th April	School	Staff & pupils return from Easter at 8:30am
Friday 2nd May	KS3	Careers Day
Monday 5th May	School	Bank holiday - school closed to staff & pupils
Monday 12th May	Year 6	First day of Year 6 SATs week!

Attendance

This week's top performing classes are...

Year 5	Year 6	Year 7	Year 8
Mr Hylton	Mrs Scott	Miss Miller	Mr Thomas



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WEEKLY FRAUD UPDATE - 01/04/2025

What are your children doing online?

The Easter School holidays are just around the corner and children will have more spare time on their hands.

What's almost certain is that during the school holidays, they'll be going online much more than in term time ... for entertainment, keeping in contact and chatting with their mates, gaming, and the multitude of other things kids use the Internet for.

With all the additional time spent doing more online, how can you be sure that the young people in your family are safe from the issues they can encounter every day?

The Internet lets children connect with friends and learn new things. But there are also dangers to going online, and children can be particularly vulnerable.

Talking to your children is one of the best ways to keep them safe online. By understanding the risks, and keeping yourself up to date on the latest technology, websites and social networks you can help your children enjoy the Internet safely and securely.

To help protect your children online:

- Keep computers, phones and games consoles in family rooms where you can monitor activity
- Install parental control software or activate parental controls through your Internet Service Provider (ISP) to prevent access to inappropriate content
- 'friend' or 'follow' your child on social networks, so you can see how they're using them
- Check age restrictions for websites or social networks to make sure your children are allowed to join
- Advise your child not to post personal information, or any images they wouldn't want everyone to see
- Check their social media accounts' privacy settings, so their posts are only seen by friends and their location isn't tracked
- Avoid using webcams, unless talking to close friends or family, and consider covering it when not in use
- Monitor how your children use the Internet and watch for any secretive behaviour
- Encourage your child to be open about what they do online, and who they're talking to
- Insist you go with them if they wish to meet online friends face to face
- Ensure the games your children play online are age appropriate

Source: Metropolitan Police



A NEW FOOD MENU IS COMING!

THE FOOD FROM ASPENS CATERING WILL BE CHANGING AFTER EASTER

A new food menu is coming!

Our student council helped to give feedback on the new canteen menu last week, including starting to design their very own special event day! They also enjoyed some delicious free samples from our Aspens kitchen team.

You can see an example below from week one. The full menu can be found by [clicking here](#).



STREATERIES LUNCH MENU		WORLD		ASPENS			
<p>WEEK 1 21/04/25, 12/05/25, 02/06/25, 23/06/25, 14/07/25, 04/08/25, 25/08/25, 15/09/25, 06/10/25</p>							
<p>MON Caribbean Brown Chicken Stew</p> <p>Creamy Rasta Pasta V</p> <p>Rice n Pea Callaloo V</p>		<p>TUE Chilli Con Carne with Rice</p> <p>Veggie Bean Chilli with Rice V</p> <p>Green Beans V</p>		<p>WED Roast Pork & Stuffing with Gravy</p> <p>Vegetable & Stuffing Loaf V</p> <p>New Potatoes Cabbage & Carrots V</p>		<p>THU Greek Meatballs with Diced Potatoes</p> <p>Falafel Filled Pitta V</p> <p>Vegetable Medley V</p>	
<p>FRI Choose from: Battered Fish Sausage or Veg Sausage (battered or plain) V Margherita Pizza V Chicken Nuggets V Chips V Minty Peas, Baked Beans, Gravy or Curry Sauce V</p>							
<p>ITALIAN TOMATO PASTA DAILY - PASTA & NOODLE POTS - ITALIAN TOMATO PASTA DAILY</p>							
<p>GARLIC PULLED CHICKEN ALFREDO (PASTA)</p>		<p>CHINESE CHICKEN CURRY (NOODLES)</p>		<p>CLASSIC MEATBALL MARINARA (PASTA)</p>			
<p>SWEET & SOUR VEG (NOODLES)</p>		<p>PROTEIN MAC & CHEESE</p>					
<p>DELI KITCHEN HOT GRAB & GO</p>		<p>PERI BUTTERMILK CRUNCH WINGS</p>		<p>BBQ CHICKEN WRAP</p>			
<p>CHICKEN TIKKA & MINT YOGHURT</p>		<p>CHICKEN TIKKA & MINT YOGHURT</p>		<p>CHICKEN TIKKA MASALA PIZZA SLICE</p>			
<p>MEXICAN HOT CHILLI BEAN BURRITO</p>		<p>CRISPY CHICKEN BURGER</p>					
<p>BIG BOWL SALAD</p>		<p>RAMEN INSPIRED NOODLE SALAD WITH EGG V</p>		<p>RAMEN INSPIRED NOODLE SALAD WITH EGG V</p>			
<p>SALAD SPECIAL</p>		<p>Classic Iced Sprinkle Sponge</p>		<p>Brownie Trifle Pot</p>			
<p>DESSERTS</p>		<p>Aspens Cookies</p>		<p>Sticky Toffee Pudding with Custard</p>			
<p>Jam Duffin (Muffin Doughnut)</p>		<p>DAILY - JACKET POTATOES - BEANS - CHEESE - TUNA MAYO OR SIMPLY PLAIN</p>		<p>Freshly Made from Scratch DAILY!</p>			
<p>Daily Meal Deals Regular Chef's Specials</p>		<p>Fresh Cut Fruit & Yogurt Pots Available Daily</p>		<p>HANDCRAFTED DELI SANDWICHES, BAGUETTES, WRAPS, SALADS & MORE!</p>			



STAY SAFE, TEAM IPSLEY!

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Stay Safe, Team Ipsley!

This week's *Stay Safe, Team Ipsley!* is all about search engines. Search engines are a routine part of everyday life, giving instant access to billions of web pages; however, this also increases the risk of children encountering harmful, untrustworthy, or illegal content. Search engines don't always filter this effectively, and features like AI-generated summaries or unlabelled ads can make things even trickier to navigate.

In this week's safeguarding update in Collective Worship, Mrs Curtis shared some advice on how to stay safe over the Easter holidays and reminded pupils that if they need help or advice they should go to their trusted adult or they could call Childline or visit their website, by [clicking here](#).

In/Out/On – **ChildLine 0800 1111**

- You can send a message on their website
- You can call them on the number above – even at night

You can access the Calm Zone if you're feeling overwhelmed or upset

- You can play games to take your mind off of things
- You can speak to other young people in a safe way

www.childline.org.uk



Staying safe over the break

As we are heading into the break, staff will not be in school to monitor phones or emails. Our website contains lots of information and resources on how to stay safe and supported during half term. The pupil friendly version can be found by [clicking here](#). Parents/Carers can [click here](#) for extra help and support.

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



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Assistant Principal



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KS3 Phase Leader



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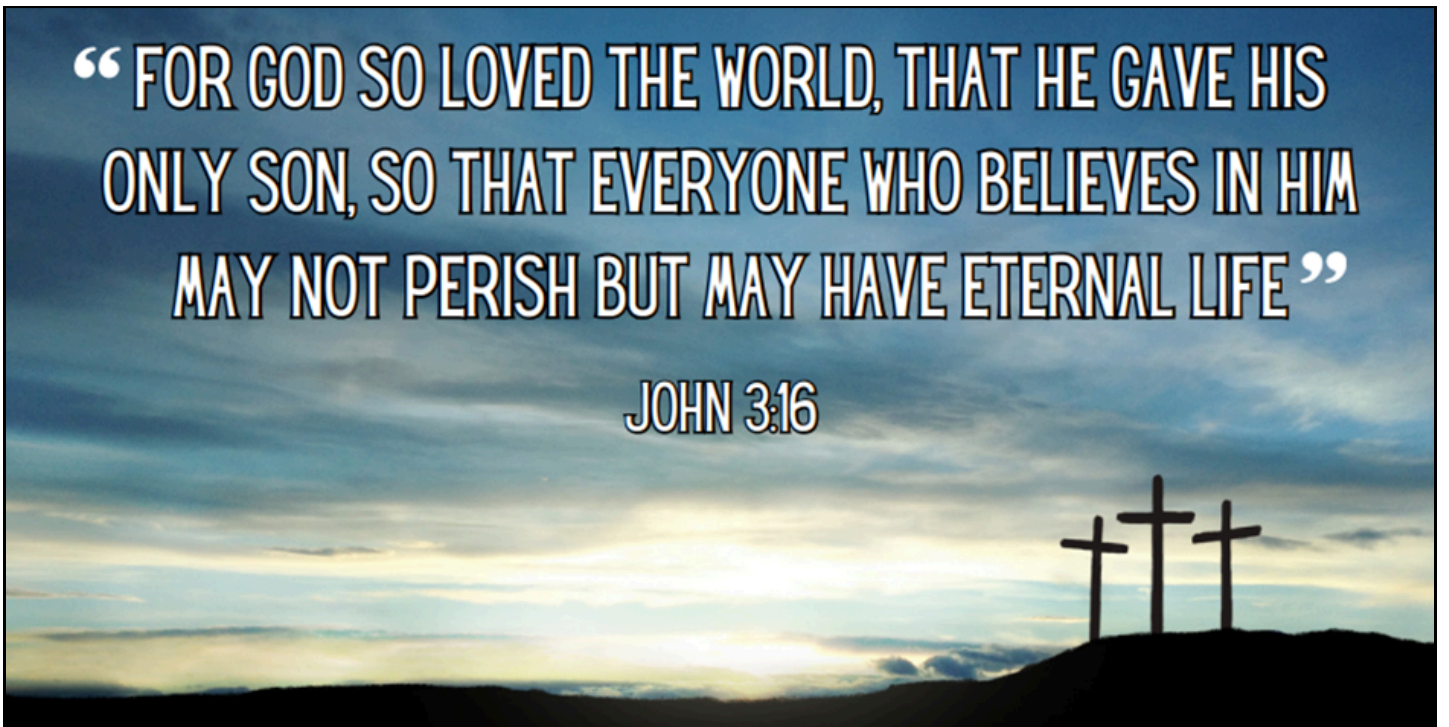


COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP IS THE HEARTBEAT OF OUR SCHOOL

“FOR GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD, THAT HE GAVE HIS ONLY SON, SO THAT EVERYONE WHO BELIEVES IN HIM MAY NOT PERISH BUT MAY HAVE ETERNAL LIFE”

JOHN 3:16



This Easter holiday I pray for blessing over your family.

That the Lord would shower His love, peace, and joy to everyone in your home.



[Click here](#) for more information on Collective Worship at Team Ipsley.