

# POSITIVE FEEDBACK

## Positive messages from parents and the community

May 2020

### Attention and professionalism

Good afternoon, I would like to say, thanks a lot for your attention and your professionalism. I would like to send all the team my congratulations!!! for the good and hard work they are doing.

Received: 05/05/20

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### Exceptional high quality

My husband and I think the work set is of exceptional high quality, very well laid out and explained for the majority of our daughter's home school learning and the teachers should be very proud of what they have achieved in what is such a difficult time for everyone.

Just wanted to let you know. But I wish she was back at school and me back at work - one day

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### Remote working

My son is in year 8 and I wanted to thank you all so much for all of your hard work during this time.

Every day, his lessons are set and the work he submits is then marked and feedback given.

I really appreciate all the work that goes into achieving this.

Received: 12/05/20

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### Incredible support

I just wanted to pass on our thanks for the incredible support being offered to our children during these challenging times. The quality of provision is fantastic and clearly delivered by an incredibly dedicated and caring team.

We worry having two boys in critical year groups and the gaps they may have in their knowledge, and we are of course saddened by the fact they are missing out of the classroom environment but we are blown away with the efforts being put in to make sure they are not left behind.

Thank you so much.

Received: 12/05/20

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### Working from home

Very difficult circumstances for you and your team to work in and just wanted to say really pleased with IGS response to our year7 child. Plenty of work, feedback and delighted the PBT session takes place on Wed morning. Thank goodness for ipads. Having our child motivated by IGS also massively supports our wider family as we're both wfh and have a younger child to supervise.

Received: 13/05/20

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## **Huge thank you**

As we reach the end of yet another week of remote learning we just wanted to say a huge thank you to all the staff at Ikley. We appreciate what a massive task it is to keep the lessons coming whilst working out how things move forward with opening more fully and still having students on site so thanks for all the effort.

Whilst home learning isn't ideal it's been great to watch J and E get to grips with taking charge of their own days and balancing what's been asked of them at school with getting in some exercise and virtual catch up with friends. There seems to be a good balance in terms of the work being set over the weeks which is much appreciated.

Received: 15/05/20

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Thank you so much for your email.

Please will you pass on my thanks to everyone at IGS for what you are all doing in these crazy times.

Received: 19/05/20

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## **Remote learning**

Please could you pass on our thanks to all the staff who teach WI and the management team, we have been so impressed with the way IGS has handled this extraordinary situation.

W has had wonderful support and the work that is set has been engaging and well thought out. Every member of staff has sent regular messages of encouragement and understanding.

Even under these difficult circumstances, in which I imagine most staff are juggling their own family commitments on top of teaching, the IGS team are amazing and we are very grateful.

We are very lucky to have the support of IGS and we are looking forward to our daughter starting her IGS adventure in September.

Thank you all.

Received: 19/05/20

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## **Thank you**

Just wanted to say thank you to all the teaching and support staff. Thank you, you are appreciated.

Received: 21/05/20

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## **“Face to Face” Lessons**

Just a quick note to thank the teachers for the “face to face” lessons they've delivered this week. 'A' was absolutely buoyant after each one in a way I've not seen him for a few weeks. As he and I are working in the same room together much of the time, I can really see how much he engaged in the lessons in a way I'm not sure came across to you at the other end! So I wanted to share with you what a big difference it made this week having lesson content delivered in such a personal way.

I do hope there will be more of lessons of this type in other subjects in the next half term.

Also, we both LOVED the IGS BIG Dance!

You're all fab. Thank you for your dedication to our children.

Received: 21/05/20

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### **Year 7 Transition**

Thank you so much for all great information you have sent to us thus far, coming from a small school we feel very reassured about the steps you have taken as a school to ensure the 2020 Year 7 cohort transition runs smoothly under these unusual circumstances.

We have had a look at all the Youtube videos which Amelie really enjoyed and she found them very helpful. Amelie is very excited about joining IGS in September and all the opportunities and activities the school has to offer.

Received: 17/05/20

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### **IGS Transition**

I want to thank you for how you are considering the transition period in light of Covid 19 and the heart you have to still make sure that each new student will thrive. It has been incredibly reassuring and confirms again our sense of gratefulness that J will be attending Ilkley Grammar School when things are back up and running again.

Received: 05/05/20

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### **Thank you**

We are so impressed by the offering that IGS have given through this awful period and on behalf of W I want to thank you all for your dedication.

Thank you all for being so helpful.

Received: 21/05/20

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### **Thank you**

I'm a parent of 2 children at IGS and I wanted to email you before the break to say how much I appreciate all the work that everyone in school is putting in to making this period as comfortable as they possibly can for the students.

Received: 22/05/20

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### **Chuffed!**

Ohhh J is chuffed! He says thank you very much!

We are so grateful he and his brother have such a great school. The quality of the education they are receiving even in lock down is epic!

Received: 22/05/20

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### **Remote Learning**

I would like to say that I think the school has been doing a fantastic job continuing to educate the children through difficult circumstances and I cannot say enough how grateful I am. I think the 1 to 1 tutor meetings is a great idea. I would love also an online parents' evening but I understand you have a lot of challenges currently.

Received: 22/05/20

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**You are doing a great job!**

I just wanted to send my appreciation for the way you have approached and are approaching providing education for my year 10 son through these very challenging times. He is enjoying studying at home and as a parent I have appreciated the feedback that he gets on showbie from his teachers. Year 11 will be a challenge but I don't feel too concerned that he has missed out on too much. It feels like his education is in safe hands, and I appreciate what a lot of hard work is going into making this happen. So thank you all very much.

Received: 22/05/20

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**Thank you**

As a school leader myself, I know how hard the planning of provision has been in recent weeks. We are grateful for the support that IGS has offered our three children (Y10/12) and for keeping us as up to date as you can.

Received: 23/05/20

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**Thanks**

I wanted to express my thanks for the very detailed communication, it's an impossible situation you find yourselves in, and I am very appreciative of everything that school is doing to support learning and the students.

I note that you intend to use Teams more which is to be encouraged.

Received: 25/05/20