

PARENT/CARER BULLETIN 23 March 2023

FORTNIGHTLY HIGHLIGHTS

WELL DONE TO THE U14 HOCKEY TEAM FOR THEIR PHENOMENAL SUCCESS: NORTH OF ENGLAND CHAMPIONS & FIFTH IN THE NATIONAL FINALS TIER 2 ENGLAND HOCKEY COMPETITION CONGRATUALTIONS TO THE TEAM





Headteacher's Awards

Congratulations to the following students who have been awarded the Headteacher Award over the last fortnight: Josh Parker 7SP; Alex Tate-Smith 9SB; Alfie Barker 10RF; Josh Beevers 12MO; Milly Hall 8AHF/MH; Orla Jeffries 10LDS; Daisy Prowse 13JM; Iris Halifax 13REB. Students have received the award for demonstrating school values, being positive role models and making a positive difference to others in line with our school vision.













Creative Arts

The Year 12 and 13 London Photography Trip 2023

The trip to London started on an early Friday morning to travel to London by train...

The first gallery that was on the list was The Victoria and Albert Museum. Here we would be able to grab some fantastic inspiration for our final piece photography designs. This was due to the fact the V and A had a wonderous selection of art works from contemporary art to sculptures. Walking up to the design gallery within the V and A was incredible as we were able to see sculptures and artifacts dating back to the early 1800s. Within the design gallery it covered works from propaganda posters to Vogue magazines. The designs were most definitely inspiring as they introduced thousands of colours and imaginative ideas.

Once lunch was finished, we then walked out and made our way to the tube station. During this period, we were able to take photographs of the journey there and the people around us. We were boarding the Piccadilly line once again but this time we were getting the tube to Piccadilly Circus, one of the busiest areas within London, which made it perfect for a class of photographers.

Walking off the tube out into Piccadilly Circus was quite overwhelming as in every corner you looked something was happening, ranging from vast electronic boards to black cabs bustling away or people commuting to work. We then made our journey to the next gallery, The Centre for British Photography, an art gallery which focuses on many different forms of art, but which would provide more inspiration on the final art piece itself. The art gallery worked very nicely within my work as a lot of the pieces held hidden meanings behind them, therefore, it could give some great inspiration in terms of ideas for our final piece or any other art pieces that we may work on.









Year 12 and 13 London Photography Trip 2023

Students' photo montage

On arriving at the Centre of British Photography, we were first introduced to artists such as Paul Hill, an artist who focused on deeper meaning photography. His works had no captions but the photographs themselves provided the meanings. For example, one of his photographs: "Girl in Striped Shirt" connoted ideas of grooming and abuse as it captured a scared girl within the shadow of a man's face. The Centre for British photography had two other floors. The top floor focused on more modern art responses such as photomontage, whereas the bottom floor focused more on traditional photography. The bottom floor focused on works highlighting social change and the impacts that society has witnessed over time. The bottom floor contained the works of artists such as Bill Brandt and Martin Parr. Overall, the experience at the Centre for British Photography was a highly useful gallery as it provided some extremely moving and inspirational pieces of art.

On our return to Kings Cross, we visited the vibrant China town and explored its wonderous area, bustling with life and traditional Chinese restaurants and shops. Further to this, it enabled the class to capture some fantastic shots of commuters and protestors passing through.

Spring Music Concert

Our Spring Concert took place on Tuesday 14th March, at 6:30pm in B Hall. This was another sell-out event for our Music department, celebrating the phenomenal work students have been doing as part of their performance coursework and/or extra-curricular activities. There was a lovely, relaxed atmosphere with a cafe style layout with tables, decorated with daffodils (a little touch of Spring!) table lights and refreshments served by the PTA.

Our GCSE and A Level students began the evening, showcasing some of their recent performance examination work; we had a variety of high-quality and very technical performances from a range of instrumentalists and singers.

Students from Year 7 through to Year 12, performed in the second act, including performances of students' own compositions. There were some incredibly touching pieces written, including a protest song written by some of our Year 9 students about the war in Ukraine.

We had a special visitor in the audience, Mark from Ilkley Round Table, who was impressed by all the performers and has invited a second band from IGS to perform on a stage during the Ilkley Half Marathon on Sunday 16th July. Alongside the IGS Battle of the Band winners of 2022, 'The Mustangs', we would like to congratulate our IGS band 'Heritage' (Sam Woodward, James Nice, Alex Harper and Finlay Craggs) who have also been offered this exciting performance opportunity. Well done Heritage!

The night would not have been a success without the help of our fantastic student backstage manager, front of house and backstage teams and their help organising and running the event. We're so lucky to have such talented students!

Upcoming events: RKA Battle of the Bands (date TBC). IGS Creative Arts Festival Thursday 6th July and Friday 7th July. More information to follow.



Call for sponsorship to support with the costs of the Colour Rush 2023

Dear parents/carers,

Following the success of the first ever Colour Rush last summer the PTA are launching the 2023 event which is going to be bigger and even better! They are currently looking for corporate sponsors for the event and are reaching out to our parents/carers to see if there might be an organisation that could offer a small amount of sponsorship to help offset some of the costs of the event in return for a range of positive publicity opportunities.

https://www.ilkleygrammarschool.com/parents/pta/colour-rush/sponsor/

Please get in touch via the links provided or with the PTA directly if you have any ideas about sponsorship: PTA@ilkleygs.co.uk

Careers

A great work experience opportunity has been forwarded to students in Years 9, 10, 11, 12 & 13. Students are to complete the tasks outside of school hours under parental/carer supervision. Use the QR code below for more information. *Please note, IGS is sharing this information only and is not responsible for supervising or monitoring student participation.







Useful Email Addresses

Attendance and notifications of absence: attendance@ilkleygs.co.uk

General enquiries: admin@ilkleygs.co.uk

Parents' evenings: parentsevenings@ilkleygs.co.uk

Venue hire: emma.wood@ilkleygs.co.uk

PTA: PTA@ilkleygs.co.uk

IGS Website

For more information on what's going on in and around Ilkley Grammar School, don't forget to keep a check on the IGS website in 'News' HERE and 'Community' HERE













Sporting Successes and Updates

7th March

UI4 Netball

- ♣ IGS A 13-12 Beckfoot POM Isla Slade

Year 9 Football Leeds NW CV League

- ♣ IGS 0-1 Horsforth
- IGS 2-1 PHGS

Rugby

- ♣ Y8 Rugby 7s at Bradford GS our two teams came a respectable 10/11th out of 16 teams
- 4 Y10 Rugby lost to HGS in the semi-final of the Yorkshire Cup

W/C: 13th March

- **★** Y8 Girls' football English Schools B Teams Cup, win for IGS after extra-time
- ↓ IGS 6 5 Rastrick High School (Brighouse)
- 🖶 U14 Boys' Hockey North England Final IGS v Dame Allan School won 9-1

W/C: 20th March

- IGS v Kings lost 2-1
- ♣ IGS v Chigwell lost 3-1
- ♣ IGS v Princethorpe won 3-2 finished 3rd in group
- ♣ 5th/6th playoff match IGS v Bohunt won 2-1
- ♣ 5th in National Finals overall. A fantastic achievement

Y9 Girls' football Leeds league tournament:

- ♣ IGS v Benton Park 3-0
- ♣ IGS v Abbey Grange I-0
- ♣ IGS v Mount St Mary 2-0
- ↓ IGS v Ralph Thoresby 2-0
- ♣ IGS v Boston Spa I I

Y9 Girls' football Leeds cup ¼ final:

IGS v Carr Manor Community School 9 – 2

Y10 Boys' Football

♣ IGS v Cardinal Heenan: Elland Road Leeds Cup. IGS played on Monday 20th March in the semi-final and won 2-I

The following gymnasts have qualified for the finals after placing Ist in the Yorkshire Preliminaries

Under 14 Pair:

♣ Isla Barker (year 8) and Heidi Pearce (year 7)

Over 14 Pair:

Livvi Rutter and Skye Kitching (year 9)

Over 14 Group:

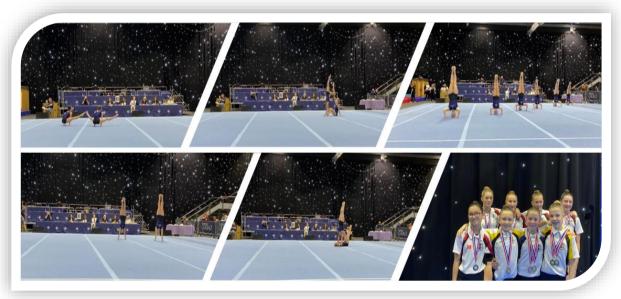
- Carys Higham (year 11), Eliza Button (year 7), Livvi Rutter (year 9), Skye Kitching (year 9), Isla Barker (year 8) and Heidi Pearce (year 7).
- The photo montage below includes the group and Julia Iglesias (year 8) and Alyssa Bakker (year 7) who placed 2nd in the under 14 pair and Julia and Eliza Button (year 7) who placed 3rd in the Yorkshire preliminaries.

Congratulations Year 9-13 IGS X Country Champions!

2023 Keighley & Craven Schools XC
Ilkley Grammar School
Year 9-13 Boys & Girls Team Champions

A great 3-2 win for IGS v Princethorpe winning 3-2 finishing 3rd in group. A very purposeful performance and great teamwork. Well done!





Ramadan Mubarek to all our families celebrating Ramadan

School closes for a fortnight at 3pm next week on Friday 31st March and will re-open on Monday 17th April 2023

Ilkley Grammar School would like to

wish all our students and parent/carers a very happy Easter break.















