



FORTNIGHTLY HIGHLIGHTS

We have had a very successful start to the academic year, and I have been particularly impressed with how well our new Purple Ties have settled and their positivity and enthusiasm. After 4 weeks at IGS, they are already confident enough navigating our complex site to volunteer to be tour guides at our Open Day and Evening on Wednesday 4th October. Our students are our greatest ambassadors and help us to show off our school to year 6 children and their parents/carers as they consider their choices for their secondary school education. Last year, there were 895 families who named IGS and demand continues to exceed the number of places we are able to offer.

Last weekend, our fell runners brought home the first piece of silverware of the season at the English Schools Fell Running Championship held in Settle. Points are awarded according to the position in each category e.g., 1st = 1 point, 2nd = 2 points and to qualify for the overall school prize a school must start runners in at least 3 different age categories with each school's best four positions, regardless of category, added together with the lowest total being declared the winner. Our runners braved tough conditions and showed true resilience to be declared the English Schools Fell Running Team Champions – a fantastic achievement at national level! Well done to everyone who represented IGS so positively – we are really proud of you. A special mention goes to Charlie Porteous in year 7 who won his race, as well as Beth Rogers, Robert Carter and Oscar Shinn whose performances all contributed to the first-place team result.

Score	Points	Time	Name	School	Gender	Race
16	1	00:13:27	CHARLIE PORTEOUS	ILKLEY GS	Male	Y7M
	3	00:30:54	BETH ROGERS	ILKLEY GS	Female	Y12/13F
	6	00:21:50	ROBERT CARTER	ILKLEY GS	Male	Y8/9M
	6	00:26:05	OSCAR SHINN	ILKLEY GS	Male	Y10/11M

We look forward to celebrating more student success with you over the weeks to come.

Best wishes,

Carly Purnell
Headteacher

Headteacher's Awards

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded the Headteacher Award in the last fortnight: Daniel Morgan 7HED/IGD; Dimosthenis Gaitanis 10ELN; DB Justin Derla 12TJB; Esther Killian 13KF; Noah Shilton 8JPC; Rosemarie Berrisford 11ALR/KBS; Ethan Abbott 12RAJ/LCM

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.



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A Huge Thank You to Rosemarie Berrisford from Chris Clark: Chair of Bingley Community Kitchen

Over the summer, Rosemarie Berrisford 11ALR/KBS volunteered at BCK: BCK is one of the FoodSavers outlets providing affordable food to vulnerable families. Rosemarie helped by designing posters, packed baskets of free fruit and vegetables, and supported customers visiting the market stall. She freely gave of her time and was always ready to help in any way she could. She developed an excellent relationship with the other volunteers and customers; **Rosemarie is a credit to both her family and Ilkley Grammar School. Well done!**



English Schools Fell Running Championships: National Champions!

On Sunday 24th September, a number of runners from IGS braved the wet weather attending the annual national fell running competition. There were some amazing individual performances, including a 3rd place finish from Beth Rogers and 1st place for Charlie Porteous. The combined team results led to IGS taking the overall Fell Running English School champions trophy for 2023!



Charlie Porteous 7AJC led IGS to victory in the
National Fell Championship
on Sunday 24th September!

CONGRATULATIONS TO TEAM IGS IN THE ENGLISH SCHOOL NATIONAL FELL RACE
WITH SOME AMAZING INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCES.



Y6 INTO 7 SUMMER HOLIDAY PROJECTS

Olivia Rix 7HED/IGD created this amazing piece of artwork of Medusa for her transition English summer project on Myths & Legends & passed her grade 5 piano exam with distinction – keep up the good work Olivia!

Sporting Successes and Updates

Year 8 Boys' Football

IGS v Guiseley: 2-1 - WIN

IGS v Horsforth: 5-0 - LOSS

Year 8 Girls' Football

IGS v North Halifax Grammar: 6-6 won on Penalties –WIN

Year 10 Boys' Football:

Leeds NW Central Venue 1:

IGS v Guiseley: 3-0 WIN

IGS v Horsforth: 6-0 WIN

B Team National Cup:

IGS v Clitheroe Grammar: 3-1 WIN

Year 11 Boys' Football

Leeds NW Central venue 1: IGS v Guiseley: 2-0 WIN

IGS v Horsforth: 1-1 DRAW

Year 11 Boys' Football West Yorkshire Cup Round 1

IGS v Brooksbank – 5-1 WIN



YEAR 9 GIRLS' FOOTBALL

West Yorkshire County cup qualifying tournament
- overall winner - through to semi-final

- IGS - Airedale: 5-0
- IGS - St Bede's and St Joseph's: 3-3

This week's Rugby Results

Tuesday

- Y7 15-25 Horsforth
- Y8 10-30 Horsforth

Wednesday

- Y10 26-25 Ripon GS (1st Round of National Bowl)
- Y11 50-0 Beckfoot

Thursday

- Y9 27-22 Horsforth

Jamie Kemp 9JLF/CW

Invited to compete in the
Junior European Open
In Andalucia

Jamie has been invited to play at the Junior European Open. The competition is the 31st Junior European Open 2023 taking place in Andalucia, Spain between 18th and 25th November 2023.

This is a fantastic achievement and, from all of us at IGS, we wish Jamie the best of luck in the competition!



Mr Gutch: Deputy Headteacher - Feeding Coutances 1940-44



An invitation to the Exhibition at Ilkley Manor House, open during the weekends of 21st/22nd and 28th and 29th October and 4th/5th November

Dear parents/carers and students,

You are warmly invited by the Ilkley-Coutances Twinning Association to an exhibition at Ilkley Manor House entitled 'Feeding Coutances 1940-44'. This exhibition will be open to all students and parents/carers but of particular interest to students studying French and/or History.

The exhibition will focus on the background and implications of the wartime occupation of Normandy and will explore themes such as rationing, the black market and 'make do and mend'. The exhibition will include artefacts from Coutances and poster materials from the time that have never been displayed together in the UK before.

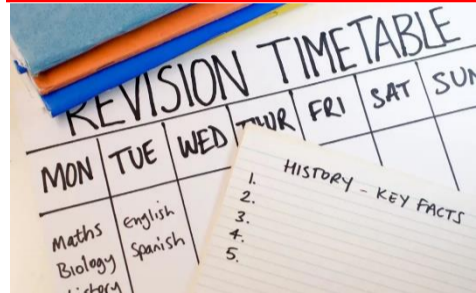
The exhibition will be open to the public at the Manor House during the weekends of 21/22 October, 28/29 October and 4/5 November.



Year 7 Parent/Carer Showbie Codes

We are in the process of collating Parent Access Showbie Codes for all parents and carers of our new year 7 cohort. Once you receive your code via email, you will be able to view your child's work and resources on Showbie.

Year 11 Parent/Carer Information Evening: Wednesday 11th October 6pm in B Hall



Following a very successful and well attended Year 10 Parent/Carer Revision Launch last academic year for, we would like to invite you to a second information evening which will focus on the support available for students in year 11 on the lead up to their mock exams and summer examination series. We will specifically focus on how to effectively revise for English and maths. If you would like to attend, please fill in the Microsoft Form [here](#).

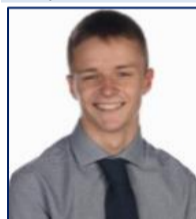
Multi-faith spaces in school for reflection and prayer at lunchtime

From Monday 2nd October we will be providing students with a space within school where they can spend time in reflection and prayer during lunchtime.

This will be a supervised area and will be available during lunchtime only, so as to not impinge on lesson times. We will inform students of more details at the start of next week. As a school, we have spent time reviewing how to provide this space and have taken guidance from other sources, including The Muslim Council of Britain.

IGS Alumni News!

Over the next few editions, we will be sharing exciting news from former students who have been in touch to explain what they have been doing since leaving IGS.



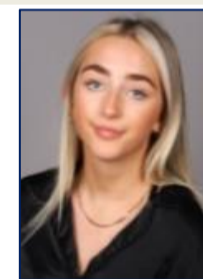
Freddie Charlesworth (Red Tie, class of 2021)

Freddie has been working with Leading Edge Aviation in Oxford (Flight School) since July 2021 as well as working towards a combined degree in airline transport management with commercial pilot studies at Buckinghamshire New University. On finishing his flight training and gaining a frozen airline transport Pilot's license in April 2023 Freddie was selected to join Yorkshire based airline, Jet2.com, as a Pilot Apprentice. He is currently based in Manchester, and he will then hopefully return to West Yorkshire and begin flying as a second officer from Leeds Bradford for Summer 2024 as the company's youngest pilot.

Lucy Pickles (Green Tie, class of 2022)

Lucy writes

"When I left IGS I had my heart set on an apprenticeship in Accountancy. But after travelling and lots and lots of interviews in various accountancy roles, I realised that this 'dream' of mine wasn't actually a dream. After my gap year travelling, I had a good think and realised my calling was teaching, which when in school I feel you don't even think about! This year about a month ago (August '23) I applied through clearing to do Primary Education and got into my chosen university to do my actual dream course. It took a little while and a lot of bar work to get to it, but I think this is my calling and am very excited to start this month."



Useful Links & Email Addresses

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

General enquiries: admin@ilkleygs.co.uk

Parents' evenings: parentsevenings@ilkleygs.co.uk

PTA: PTA@ilkleygs.co.uk

Venue Hire: beverley.gale@igs.mlt.co.uk

[IGS Twitter](#)

[IGS PE Twitter](#)

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](#)



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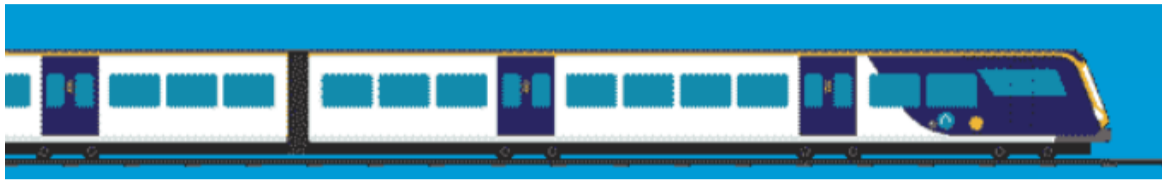


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Although the Parent/Carer Bulletin is our way of sharing and celebrating students' achievements and successes, we thought the discounted offer below from Northern Rail may be of interest to IGS parent/carers whose children travel by train.

Education Season Tickets

Save up to 75% on the school run



"Do your kids take the train to school? At Northern, our Education Season Ticket is making the train an even cheaper, safer, and easier way for children to get to school. One ticket at a great price, alongside CCTV and Wi-Fi on all our trains, means your child will always be safe and connected on their journey." [Click the link for more details.](#)

Good Causes: Please Support!



Coats Appeal

Can you help us provide a warm autumn/winter coat to as many refugees, asylum seekers and other vulnerable individuals as possible before winter arrives?

What do we need?

Warm and/or waterproof casual coats and fleeces for children, teenagers, women and men.

Please note that coats **MUST** be in great condition and it's vital that they are washed before donating please, as well as pockets emptied, zips and buttons checked and name labels removed.

We are unable to accept dry clean only items.

Where will they go?

The coats will be shared between BIASAN, SHINE West Bowling, and Anchor Project in Bradford for the individuals and families they support. Anything extra or unsuitable will be given to St. Vincents.

When & Where can I donate?

Monday 9th - Sunday 15th October 2023

8 The Robins, Burley-in-Wharfedale, LS29 7PR

There will be a large labelled box by the front door, available at any time of day.

If you are unable to get to the drop-off point at these times but wish to donate please email Sarah Bruce on wharfedalerefugeerresponse@gmail.com and we'll do what we can to help.

Wharfedale Refugee Response Autumn coat collection

As in previous years, IGS is delighted to be supporting the Autumn winter coat collection organised by Wharfedale Refugee Response. **Any coats donated will be passed on to a number of charities supporting asylum seekers, refugees and others in the Bradford / Leeds area.** Please bring any winter coats that you / siblings / parents / carers no longer wear to IGS next week (2-6 October). Please put them in the green lidded boxes in the lobby area of the main school entrance, these boxes will be clearly labelled 'Autumn Coat Collection'. Please ensure all coats are washable, clean, zips and buttons working, and pockets are empty. Your donation will provide a child / adult with a warm coat who could not afford one this year. Please pass the message to your friends and families. We look forward to receiving as many coats as possible. Together we can make a difference.

All are welcome to the IGS PTA Call My Bluff Wine Tasting Evening – click the poster below to sign up and buy tickets!



Call my Bluff Wine Tasting Evening

Hosted by Martinez Wines, with a selection of Cheeses courtesy of Booths supermarket



Friday 17th November 2023, 7.30pm
ILKLEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL, B HALL

Tickets cost £20 per person

(Includes welcome fizz, 5 wines to taste and cheese to nibble)

Click below to sign up and buy tickets

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/ilkleygrammarschool/index.cfm>

All welcome - come on your own or as a team

Bring cash for our regifting raffle



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