



Dear Parent/Carers,

Following the announcement in July 2022 that Ilkley Grammar School had been selected to be part of the national School Rebuilding Programme, I am delighted to inform you we are very close to being able to share with you details of the project. Over the last two years, there has been an extensive feasibility and design process taking place behind the scenes, and the school has been working very hard alongside the DfE, technical advisers, architects and a range of specialists on plans to regenerate and modernise IGS.

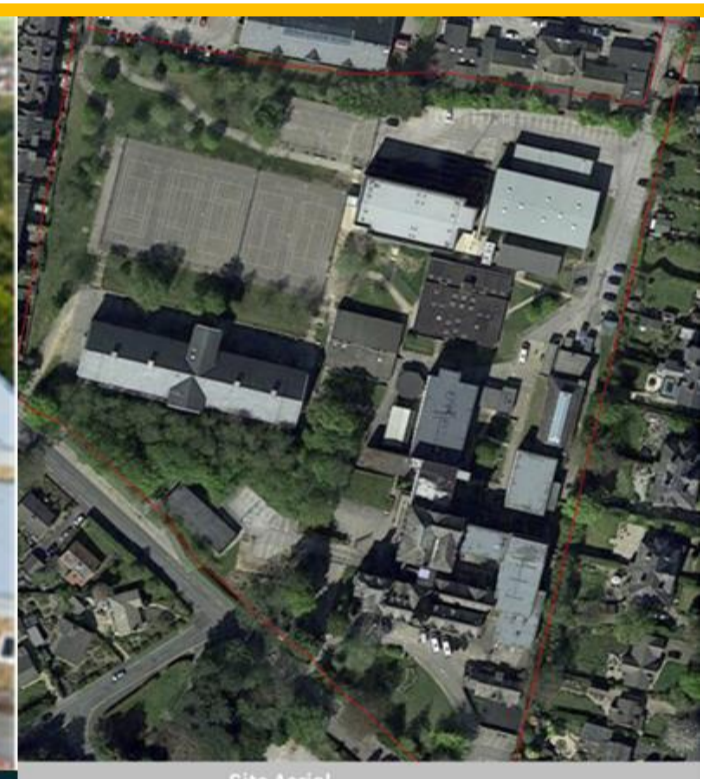
Having been prioritised for the programme, the DfE will rebuild and refurbish a significant proportion of the IGS school estate with substantial multi-million-pound investment. The regeneration will create modern, state-of-the-art teaching and sports facilities and a more energy efficient, sustainable learning environment which aims to be net zero carbon in operation. Ultimately, it will be transformational for the school, supporting our vision to be able to provide a world-class, inclusive education for our community and future generations.

Some initial information about the design, including the launch of the project website, will be released on Wednesday 2nd October. Further details of the plans, the timescales and the phasing, including the steps taken to ensure that the school remains occupied and fully operational throughout the construction period, will be available at a Public Exhibition event the following week. This will take place in B:Hall on **Wednesday 9th October from 5pm to 8pm** and you are warmly invited to attend. Information from the exhibition will also be shared with you in the next edition of the parent/carer bulletin.

We appreciate that it has been a very long wait getting to this stage, but we are excited about the plans and what the future holds for IGS.

Heads Up! Please note the dates for this year's Parents Evenings which can be found at the back of the bulletin and are also available on our school website [HERE](#).

Best wishes,
Carly Purnell
Headteacher



Site Aerial



Department for Education

School Rebuilding Programme

Public Exhibition
B:Hall on **Wednesday 9th October from 5pm to 8pm**



ILKLEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL

A MOORLANDS LEARNING TRUST ACADEMY

Headteacher's Awards

Congratulations to the following students who have been awarded the Headteacher Award over the last fortnight:

Iona Kerley 7RF; Eleanor Higgs 8AJC; Sophie Ronan-Nicholson 9LJD; George Lancaster 10AHF; Gracie Asquith 11JI; Jessie Duckworth 13PKP; Niamh Goodall 10ERE; Francis McCann 11CSJ; William Brown 11SB; Zac Wilson 11AE; James Nice 11CSJ; Robbie Smith 7JJS; Lotte Jowett 8AJC; Noah Hambleton 8AJC; Jacob Robinson 9JNB; Con Dennis 10NRP; Suki Hutchinson 11CSJ

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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Leadership & Enrichment Fayre 2024

Contact details for local voluntary organisations and information about extra-curricular activities and iLeader roles.



On Wednesday 11th September we were delighted to welcome representatives from 18 local voluntary organisations to Ilkley Grammar School as part of our annual **Leadership & Enrichment Fayre**. This year over 2000 students visited the Sports Hall over the course of the morning and were introduced to over 30 different leadership opportunities and the 80+ extra-curricular clubs on offer.

Students will be encouraged to sign up to extra-curricular clubs over the coming weeks in Tutor Time. Details of the extra-curricular programme is on the website: <https://www.ilkleygrammarschool.com/students/extra-curricular-activities/>

Students can also start applying for iLeader roles and they will be encouraged to make applications in Tutor Time. Students can find the application form in the **Personal Development folder on Showbie (“Leadership & Influence” section)**. Students have until Friday 4th of October to apply for leadership roles. If students have any questions, please can they speak to Mr Boyd.

The **Leadership & Enrichment Fayre** was the first time that representatives from local charities and organisations were invited to come to IGS to highlight the link between extra-curricular and leadership activities in school and the world outside IGS.

The organisations which so generously gave of their time last week and which are keen to engage with young people and their families are: **Ilkley Rugby Club, Soroptimist International, Ilkley Pride & Diversity Group, Ilkley Cycle Races, Ilkley Community Network, Friends of Ilkley Riverside Parks, Christchurch Ilkley, Burley Methodist Church, Ilkley Town AFC, Friends of Ashlands PTA, Ilkley Manor House, Rotary Club of Ilkley, Bradford Youth Service, Ilkley Clean River Group, Ilkley Town Council, Ilkley Fairtrade Group and The Clarke Foley Community Hub.**

We know that many members of our student community are already involved with these local organisations in various ways, but we are sharing details of these local organisations, many of which are keen to engage with young people, with all parents/carers to support local *Active Citizenship* opportunities. If, following the recent Leadership & Enrichment Fayre, your child is keen to get involved with any of these organisations, please find the list of organisations, websites and contact details attached to the bulletin.

Please note that although IGS works with many of these local organisations in different ways, the out of school volunteering activities they offer are not organised by or safeguarded by IGS. If you would like to find out more about our approach to Personal Development at IGS please go to <https://www.ilkleygrammarschool.com/our-school/personal-development/>

Mr J. A. Gutch

Deputy Headteacher: Personal Development & Post-16

Sport Update

Year 8s played a great game winning their Yorkshire Cup game at Cardinal Heenan: 4-3 (AET)! Congratulations Team!



There was an own goal, then goals from Charlie Porteous and Will Braham, with the winning goal from Will Snith

IGS Girls' Football Teams Got Off To A Great Start – Well Done Teams!

The Under 14 Girls progressed through into round 2 of the ESFA Cup (English Schools Football Association) breezing past Brooksbank with a dominating performance, they won 4-1.

In the ESFA the year 9 team beat Brooksbank 4-1 with a dominating display. Then they went on to beat Co-op Academy Priesthorpe in the Leeds Cup.

The year 8 team also had a big victory as they beat Ryburn Valley High School in the West Yorkshire County Cup.

The Under 16 team have also progressed in the ESFA cup as they beat Colne Park High 5-2.



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Y11 (Y10) Leeds City Cup Final - Monday 23rd September

After a long wait for the delayed final, the green tie football team competed in the U15 Leeds City cup final at the South Leeds Stadium. The team have had amazing success and participation levels over the years and have been a formidable side. They faced a clinical and organised side from Temple Moor school who were the eventual winners of the final, with the final score 4-2. The IGS goals came from Max Bucktrout and Noah Taylor-Smith. Congratulations to Temple Moor. Unfortunately, it wasn't to be, but the IGS Y11's should be extremely proud!

IGS Year 11 Boys' Football Team took 4 points from the first Leeds NW central venue league night on Thursday 12th September

The team were full of energy, creating countless opportunities particularly on the counterattack. Sadly, we could not take many chances and faced two strong goalkeepers.

It took a spectacular effort from Will Farrar, placed into the top left corner of the goal, assisted by Robby Waite in the dying seconds to take the win Vs Lawnswood.

- IGS 0 – 0 St Mary's Menton
- IGS 1 – 0 Lawnswood



U14 Netball



Senior Netball

IGS year 9 netball team got their season off to a flying start **beating St John Fisher 31-16 in the 1st round of the Sisters n Sport National Shield** competition on Monday 16th September. Well done to all involved, and a particular mention to player of the match Isla Allen. Round 2 here we come!

IGS senior netball teams began their league campaigns on Monday 23rd September with both teams facing South Craven C team. It was great to see so many returning and new players in both our year 11 and sixth form teams.

- **Senior A 17-13 South Craven C** – POM Edie Smith
- **Senior B 9-17 South Craven C** – POM Isla Slade



English National Cross-Country Championship, Saturday 14th September 2024

This event saw the best cross-country runners from across England travel to compete at Weston Park near Telford, Shropshire. As a result of the wet weather in February this year, the event was postponed to September uniquely allowing some of our fantastically talented year 7s to run. Unfortunately, 'back-to-school bugs' did deplete our numbers, but we still saw runners across all year groups of school competing with the best.

Matilda Irvine was due to run first in the under 17 girls' race but was not well enough to compete this weekend, so we look forward to seeing her compete later this season and maybe in the 2025 nationals. Similarly, Alexander Wolfenden (yr13), Millie Porteous (yr10) and Marcie Ford (yr9) were registered and cheering on our other runners but will have to save their performances for future races – watch this space!

Jake Norris (yr11) was our first runner able to compete and ran a fantastic race in the under 15 boys coming an amazing 11th out of 165 runners!



Next up were the under 13 girls, and, due to the decision to allow new year 7s to run as a result of the postponement, this was easily the busiest race of the junior competition. 247 girls lined up on the start line; Harriet Carter (yr7) was first IGS student back coming 54th. Harriet was quickly followed by Charlotte Pedley (yr7) 68th and Mary Goodyear (yr8) in 218th. Despite the numbers there were just two and a half minutes between all three girls across a 3km course. We do have a number of very talented runners amongst our year 7,8 and 9 girls, who for a number of reasons were not all running this time but are definitely a team to watch.

A team that we know are going to be extremely strong are our yr 7, 8 and 9 boys who were running in the under 13 boys' race. A slightly smaller national field saw the boys compete against 227 runners. Charlie Porteous (yr8) came in first in 18th place, battling through after being 'spiked' (having his foot stood on by another runner in their cross-country spikes) early in the race – although I think he was more concerned that his new shoes were ripped in the first race of the season! Less than 30 seconds later, Robert Carter (yr 9) joined him in 63rd place, then Tyler Griffiths (yr8) and Thomas Jebb (yr8) in 118th and 125th respectively. This race was even closer than the girls with less than 1 and a half minutes between them. Also, as all four boys run for Bingley Harriers, they all scored points towards a team place of 11th out of 24. Harriet and Charlotte in our girls' race were 'point scorers' for Bingley and helped them to 9th place out of 27.

As a result of illness, our final runner this year was Archie Budding (yr13), who was taking part in the under 17 men's race. I have to confess to being conditioned to spot the blue and white of Bingley Harriers, so despite trying my best I did miss Archie passing in the red and green of Ilkley Harriers but have since watched his race back with full commentary on YouTube (all races available at <https://www.youtube.com/live/nhZN--ZhJSo?si=QffzGcq5JK9Gw5i9>) Mrs L Goodyear



Rugby

Year 8 McCarthy Cup @WHG

- St Peter's 10-5 IGS
- Hymers 20-10 IGS
- Rodillian 25-5 IGS
- King's Pontefract 5-15 IGS
- Bradford Grammar 15-15 IGS

Year 10 National Cup

- Ripon GS 26-14 IGS

Senior 1st Team Rugby

The team played Queen Ethelburga's in a friendly match they ended up beating them 36-19. Sam Brown was the player of the match. *Finn Newbury and Will Newbury pictured.



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A reminder to **Year 9-13 students**
 Claim your free tickets [HERE](#) by Monday 30th September!



Claim your free ILF tickets!

Free tickets for IGS students!
 Use promo code **IGSstudent**
 ilkleylitfest.org.uk
 01943 816714

We're offering IGS students the chance to attend a selection of ILF events for FREE this October! Choose from our selection of events below and use the promo code **IGSstudent** to book your ticket. The promo code is valid for one week.

You can book online or call our box office on **01943 816714**.

Valid until
 Monday 30th
 September

Parents' Evenings

Thu	10th	Oct	Y7, Y12 Meet the Tutor Evening
Thu	28th	Nov	Y13 Parents' Meeting
Thu	16th	Jan	Y11 Parents' Evening
Thu	30th	Jan	Y9 Parents' Evening
Tue	25th	Feb	Y8 Parents' Evening
Thu	27th	Mar	Y12 Parents' Evening
Tue	6th	May	Y7 Parents' Evening
Tue	17th	Jun	Y10 Parents' Evening

Useful Links & Email Addresses

- Years 7-11 notifications of absence: attendance@igs.mlt.co.uk or, extension 2 if phoning school on the morning of an unforeseen absence
- P-16 notifications of absence: p16attendance@igs.mlt.co.uk
- Lettings and venue hire: venuehire@igs.mlt.co.uk
- General enquiries: admin@igs.mlt.co.uk
- Parents' evenings: parentsevenings@igs.mlt.co.uk
- PTA: PTA@igs.mlt.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](#) 'Community' [HERE](#) 'IGS Vacancies' [HERE](#) and [PTA Events](#)

