

Dear Families,

Please find below the parent bulletin for week commencing 12 January 2026.

A huge thank you to everyone in OUR community for their support and understanding with our difficult decision to close school today (Friday 9 January). The safety of our students and staff is paramount and with police reports, school buses not running and local media posts around the challenges of road travel in the area.

It has been a really positive start to the new term. Attendance has been fantastic and even with the adjustment to footwear (because of the weather) school uniform has been excellent. Can I please remind parents/carers that the following items are not school uniform; hoodies, tracksuit bottoms (unless agreed) and leggings without skirts. OUR uniform is a very visual way we can demonstrate OUR strong culture; so many of our students do this every day. Thank you.

Can I also take the opportunity to remind parents and carers the importance of having up-to-date contact details. It is critical we have emergency contacts, so we are able to make contact with parents/carers during the school day. Please send any updates to admin@ibstockschool.co.uk

It goes without saying, please stay safe and warm this weekend.

I look forward to working with you all in 2026.

All Years

Consultation on LiFE Multi Academy Trusts admissions arrangements for 2027 – 2028



Please visit our website to read the letter regarding [Consultation on LiFE Multi Academy Trusts admissions arrangements for 2027 – 2028](#)

Grab Bag Order Form

Beat the Queue. Order your cold food grab bag via the online link by 9am on the day required. Collection from the hut at lunchtime - [Grab Bag Order Form](#)



Opportunities Programme

At Ibstock School, we are committed to provide an education that extends beyond the classroom. As part of this commitment, please see our opportunities programme for after Christmas [Opportunities Programme](#)

All Years

Seneca Learning Guide

We have put together a 'Seneca Learning – How to guide' to support students if they experience any difficulties accessing their account. Please refer to the guide for clear, step-by-step instructions to help support your child. Thank you for your continued support - [Seneca Learning – How to guide](#)


Independent Learning Timetable

If your child is directed to work at home, the Home Learning Timetable can be found on our website. It is important that when students are not at school, they keep up with the work their teacher has set for them - [Independent Learning Timetable](#)


Early Finish

As part of our ongoing commitment to support professional development and encourage collaboration across LiFE MAT, Ibstock School will be finishing early on **Tuesday 13 January 2026 at 2pm**. Please note, bus travel arrangements have been made for the earlier pick up time.

School Day 2pm Finish	
Tutor -	8:35 - 9:00
Period 1	9:00 - 9:50
Period 2	9:50 - 10:40
Break	10:40 - 11:00
Period 3	11:00 - 11:50
Period 4	11:50 - 12:40
Lunch	12:40 - 13:15
Period 5	13:15 - 14:00

Year 9	<p><u>Year 9 Progress Evening - Save the Date – Thursday 5 February 4pm-7pm</u></p> <p>On Thursday 5 February we will be holding the Year 9 Progress Evening, this will provide the opportunity for parents, carers and students to discuss progress in subjects with teachers.</p> <p>Appointments will be booked through the Arbor Parent Portal; we will notify you when the booking window opens.</p> <p>In the meantime, please can we ask that you check you have access to the parent portal either via the Arbor website or the Arbor parent app as this will be the only way to book your appointment.</p>
Year 10	<p>HSB Workshop - On Wednesday 14 January, we are really pleased to have in school a workshop focusing on healthy relationships for Year 10. The aim of these sessions are to ensure that our students are well informed regarding what is normal and what is not in a relationship. In addition, they will be given some tools so that they can confidently call out any behaviour they feel is unacceptable. These sessions are about making OUR young people be self-empowered in relationships.</p>

Dates for your diary...

Tuesday 13 January 2026 – 2pm Finish

Wednesday 14 January 2026 – Y10 HSB Workshop

Current Vacancies

Our website has more information on current vacancies we have at school - [Ibstock school Current Vacancies](#)



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