

Dear Families,

Please find below the parent bulletin for week commencing 13 April 2026. We wish you all a lovely Easter break.

All Years

Meningitis Update

You may have seen recent news about meningitis cases in Kent. We understand this may be concerning. Meningitis is rare and the risk remains low, but it can be serious.

Watch for symptoms: fever, severe headache, stiff neck, vomiting, sensitivity to light, extreme drowsiness/confusion, seizures, or a rash that doesn't fade when pressed.

Vaccinations: please check your child is up to date (including MenACWY in Year 9/10) by contacting your GP.

More information:

NHS: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/meningitis/>

ICB update: <https://notts.icb.nhs.uk/>

MenACWY: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/menacwy-vaccination-information-for-young-people>

Coalville C.A.N Easter Activities

Coalville C.A.N have lots of exciting things for families, young people and older people this Easter!



Easter school holiday programme - From Saturday 28th March to April 11th.

View the full programme [here](#)

Family disco is at the Emporium on the 9th of April, 6:30pm to 8:30pm, [More information here](#)

Vintage Vibes, a dance/disco event for over 60's! There'll be classic tunes from the 50's & 60's. [More information here](#)

Dinner Money Reminder



Please ensure your child's ParentPay account has sufficient funds for meals each day. We are only able to allow a small deficit of up to £5.00; beyond this, we may be unable to provide food or drinks.

To help avoid this, you can set up low-balance alerts on ParentPay.

Thank you for your support.

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LCC Parents/Carers Focus Group

LCC are developing their Beyond Bullying Award Plus for Leicestershire secondary schools, with a strong focus on mental health and wellbeing. They want to make sure that they've had the opportunity to collect feedback from parents and carers and would love to hear from you.

You are invited to join an online focus group at *12pm on Wednesday 22nd April 2026*.

This short session will give you the chance to share your views on their draft criteria and help shape the future of the award.

Please note:

This session is not a space to raise individual concerns about specific incidents or schools.

Participants will not be asked to name their child's school, and we ask that you keep your contributions anonymous.

If you'd like to take part, please join us here:

<https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/384509560056?p=qZhhsfxbKqRACteP2n>

Meeting ID: 384 509 560 056

Passcode: wk2Et6iJ

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](#)



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](#)



Home to School Transport Assistance for 2026/27 for Children with SEND -

Please read the following letter with information on SEND home to school transport assistance – [Transport Assistance Letter](#)



All Years



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](#)



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 Easter [Opportunities Programme](#)



Replacement Lanyards / ID Cards

Please be reminded that lanyards and ID cards are part of our school uniform and must be worn at all times.

If a student has lost their ID card, a replacement can be ordered via ParentPay. **If a replacement card is issued without prior payment, the cost will be deducted from the child's dinner money account.**

Students who forget their lanyard will need to go to the back of the queue at lunchtime to allow catering staff time to locate their details.

Thank you for your support in helping students arrive prepared each day.

Please ensure that students take care of their dinner cards and do not bend, fold, or deface them. Damaged cards may not work on the card readers, which can cause delays during lunchtime.

Dates for your diary...

Monday 30 March – Friday 10 April 2026 – Easter Holidays

Monday 13 April 2026 – School re-opens

Tuesday 21 April 2026 – 2pm finish

Wednesday 22 April 2026 – Stephen Lawrence Remembrance Day

Monday 20 April – Friday 1 May 2026 – Year 10 PPE's

Current Vacancies

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

Year 10

Year 10 PPE Timetable

The year 10 PPE timetable is now available on our website. Students have also received a copy of their timetable. If any changes are made this will be updated on OUR website – [Year 10 PPE Timetable April 2026](#)

Year 11

Year 11 Spring Reports

Year 11 reports are ready to view in the Arbor App under Report Cards. Please see the letter on our website for more information - [Year 11- Full Reports Spring 2026](#)

Year 11 Prom – Celebrating Achievements and Memories

A payment item for the Prom is now available on ParentPay. Please log in to make your payment at your earliest convenience if your child would like to attend. Further details can be found in the letter emailed home this week. A copy is available here – [Year 11 Prom - Celebrating Achievements and Memories](#)

Year 11 Parent Pay Accounts

After the Easter holidays, Year 11 students will no longer be served at break or lunchtime if they have insufficient funds on their ParentPay account. All outstanding balances must be cleared on ParentPay before we break up for Easter. Thank you for your cooperation and support.

Attendance celebrations week 27A



490 students with
100% attendance this
week

Top CREW groups of each year
group for attendance with week
7DBA, 8CSH, 9AMI,
10RLE & 11RSH

Top CREW groups for each year
with lowest late marks :
7AYO, 8KGO, 9AMI,
10JAR & 11TRO



Prom Suit DONATIONS

We are currently collecting suits for our Year 11 boys to wear to prom and would greatly appreciate any donations from OUR community.

If you have any suits (in good condition) that you're happy to donate, we would be incredibly grateful. Your generosity could help make a young person's prom experience truly special.

All donations can be handed in at reception.

Thank you so much for your support ❤️



EMPWR EASTER CAMP

IBSTOCK SCHOOL

AGES 5-12

FREE HAF PLACES AVAILABLE!

WEEK 1: 30TH MARCH-2ND APRIL

WEEK 2: 7TH APRIL-10TH APRIL

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- ✓ LEGO
- ✓ Dance
- ✓ Team Building
- ✓ NERF!

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NEW FRIENDS, ALL THROUGH SPORT!**



OUR STAFF ARE:

- QUALIFIED AND TRAINED SPORTS COACHES
- ENHANCED DBS CHECKED
- FIRST AID AND SAFEGUARDING TRAINED

WHAT YOU WILL NEED

- SUITABLE CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR FOR BOTH INDOOR AND OUTDOOR ACTIVITY
- WATER BOTTLE
- PACKED LUNCH & SNACKS (NON HAF PLACES)

WE HELP CHILDREN TO:



THIS CAMP IS LOCATED AT:

IBSTOCK SCHOOL

Central Ave, Ibstock LE67 6NE

VISIT OUR WEBSITE TO BOOK!

WWW.EMPWRSPORTS.CO.UK
OR SIMPLY SCAN THE QR CODE!



BBC Radio Leicester – Make a Difference Awards 2026

BBC Radio Leicester has launched the Make a Difference Awards 2026, now in their fifth year. These awards celebrate communities across the UK and recognise individuals and groups who go above and beyond to make life better for others.

There are eight award categories, including the *Environment Award*, *Volunteer Award* and *Active Award*.

Two categories may be of particular interest to schools:

Young Hero Award – recognising an individual or group under the age of 16 who are making a positive difference in their community.

Animal Award – celebrating animals that improve people’s lives, for example school animals that support student wellbeing.

Parents, carers and staff are encouraged to consider whether there is a young person connected to our school who could be nominated.

Nominations can be submitted at bbc.co.uk/makeadifference where you can also view the full terms and privacy notice.

Nominations close on Monday 31 March 2026 at 5:00pm.

Winners will be announced at the Make a Difference Awards ceremony in September 2026.



Club Activ8

If you think your child is eligible to join club activ8 please ask them to collect an application form from Mrs Webster.



CLUB ACTIV8

PHYSICAL ACTIVITY REWARDS SCHEME FOR
CHILDREN ON FREE SCHOOL MEALS

AM I ELIGIBLE TO JOIN CLUB ACTIV8?

If you are in receipt of free school meals or pupil premium then you will qualify. In addition to that, schools on-scheme will also be able to make bespoke requests for other pupils within their school.

Your Club Activ8 membership can then be used on selected activities at:

Whitwick & Coalville Leisure Centre
01530 811215

Ashby Leisure Centre & Lido
01530 412181

WHAT ACTIVITIES CAN I DO?

- Public swimming sessions
- Ashby Lido swimming sessions
- Pool inflatable sessions
- Sports hall court hire
- Gym (age applicable)
- Squash court hire

Present your Everyone Active Club Activ8 card at the reception of your chosen centre to book. Alternatively, contact the centres directly by phone.

ANY QUESTIONS?

Please contact the leisure centres directly if you have any questions. You can also find all information at northwestleiclsa.org.uk/club-activ8.

Finally, if you require further assistance please contact Michael Lidwell, Active Communities Manager at michaellidwell@everyoneactive.com.

Facilities for **HIRE!**

**Book your next
event today!**

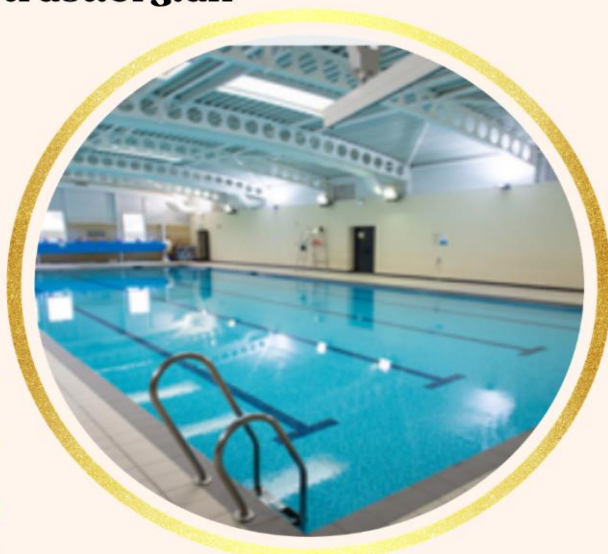
- Main Hall
- Stage & Studio
- Sports Hall
- All Weather Pitch
- Swimming Pool

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LIFE
Our Services



Ibstock Army Cadets are Now Recruiting!

Ibstock Army Cadets meet every Monday evening from 7–9pm at Ibstock School and it is open to young people aged 12–18.

If your child would like to try something different, challenging and rewarding, get in touch.

To find out more and register interest, please visit: <https://armycadets.com/>

Sgt Steven Williamson
Detachment Commander



IBSTOCK ARMY CADETS
Now Recruiting!

When: Monday's 7:00–9:00pm
Where: Ibstock School
Ages: 12–18.

OUR ACTIVITIES

We offer a wide range of activities including fieldcraft, first aid, navigation, shooting, Duke of Edinburgh's Award, leadership training and adventurous training. Cadets gain nationally recognised qualifications, build confidence, develop teamwork skills and make new friends all while having fun in a safe and supportive environment.

If your child would like to try something different, challenging and rewarding, we would love to welcome them.

 <https://armycadets.com>