

Dear Families,

Please find below the parent bulletin for week beginning Monday 21 September 2026.

All Years

A Warm Welcome to Igor!

We're delighted to share that Igor will be joining Ibstock School, supporting extra-curricular basketball activities at lunchtimes and after school on Fridays, as well as helping out in some lessons.

Igor brings a wealth of experience to the role, including:

- Former professional basketball player
- Head of Men's Basketball at De Montfort University — leading the team to 7 titles, 1 BUCS Cup, 14 Varsity wins, and picking up 3x Coach of the Year along the way
- Coaching success at Bosworth Academy Basketball, including 4 consecutive County Cup titles, 3x JrNBA Division wins, and podium finishes at the Grand Finals (1 silver, 2 bronze)
- International coaching camps and guest speaking experience

We know our students are going to benefit hugely from his expertise and enthusiasm — a fantastic addition to our sporting community. Welcome, Igor!



All Years
**ATTENDANCE
MATTERS**
Attendance

If you have any concerns about your child's attendance, or there are circumstances affecting their ability to attend school regularly, please contact their **Crew Leader in the first instance**. Alternatively, our **Attendance Team** will be happy to offer support and discuss any concerns with you.

As a polite reminder, please ensure that **absence notifications are sent to school as close to 8:15am as possible** on each day your child is unable to attend. This helps us to accurately update our registers and follow up with families where necessary. Absences can be reported via Arbor or email studentabsence@ibstockcollege.co.uk

If you are unsure whether your child is too unwell to attend school, please refer to the [NHS guidance: Is my child too ill for school?](#)

Thank you for your continued support in helping us to promote good attendance and ensure that our students make the most of their time at school.


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](#)


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](#)

All Years

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.

Stay Connected With Us!

Don't miss out on the latest news, celebrations, events and highlights from our school community. Follow us on our social media channels to stay up to date and see what our students have been getting up to! We'd love to have you join us online.

[Facebook](#)

[Instagram](#)

[X](#)

Dates for your diary...

Monday 21 and Tuesday 22 September 2026 – Positive Masculinity Workshops

Tuesday 22 September 2026 – 2:00pm Finish

Thursday 24 September 2026 – Year 11 RevisionFest and Post 16 Provider Event

Friday 25 September 2026 – MacMillan Coffee Morning

Monday 28 September 2026 – Geography Fieldwork Trip

Wednesday 30 September 2026 – Amazon Trip

Wednesday 30 September 2026 – 2027 Year 7 Open Evening - 5:00 – 6:00pm

Friday 2 October 2026 – Year 10 Textiles Workshop

Wednesday 7 October 2026 – Flu Vaccinations , Whole School

Wednesday 7 October 2026 – Amazon Trip

Friday 9 October 2026 – Hello Yellow Day

Thursday 15 October 2026 – Amazon Trip

Friday 16 October 2026 – OUR Rewards Day – Alton Towers Trip, Y8, Y9 & Y10

Friday 16 October 2026 – Last Day of Term

Monday 26 October 2026 – First Day of Term

Year 7	Chromebooks To help our students thrive in their studies we are issuing every student in Year 7 with a Google Chromebook to use throughout their time at our school. For more information, please read the following letter – Year 7 Chromebooks 2026 School Photos School photo proofs have now arrived and will be handed out to pupils during Crew next week. Please keep an eye out for your child’s proof, which will include details on how to order photographs.
Year 9	School Photos School photo proofs have now arrived and will be handed out to pupils during Crew next week. Please keep an eye out for your child’s proof, which will include details on how to order photographs.
Year 11	Year 11 Revision Fest 2026 Thursday 24th September 4:00–6:00pm Ibstock School We invite all Year 11 students and their families to our Revision Fest, designed to help students make a successful start to their final year. The evening will provide practical guidance on: • Effective revision techniques and study habits • Recommended revision guides, resources and online platforms • Using past examination papers • Subject-specific revision and exam preparation • Supporting students at home • Pastoral, wellbeing and SEND support Representatives from Loughborough College and Ashby School Sixth Form will also be available to discuss post-16 options, courses, entry requirements and progression routes. We strongly encourage all Year 11 students and their families to attend for valuable advice, resources and reassurance as they begin this important year. We look forward to welcoming you on Thursday 24th September.

Year 11

School Photos

School photo proofs have now arrived and will be handed out to pupils during Crew next week. Please keep an eye out for your child's proof, which will include details on how to order photographs.

Current Vacancies

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

Reminder

**Ibstock School will finish early
at 2:00pm
on Tuesday 22 September 2026**



OPEN EVENING 2026



Inspiring our community to thrive

WEDNESDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER 2026

5 - 7PM

SCAN THE QR CODE BELOW TO BOOK YOUR SLOT



St Deny's Infant School Open Events

If you have a child who is due to start school in August 2027, please see the below information from St Denys Infant School about their exciting Open Days.

You can scan the QR code on the flyer or use the link below to reserve a place on one of our school tours and register to attend our Open Evening:

[St Denys Infant School EYFS Tour – Fill out form](#)

OPEN DAYS

For children starting
school in August 2027

Book a tour, meet the team, and let your child enjoy a Stay & Play session at the school while you explore all that St Denys has to offer!



Wednesday 30th September 2026
Tuesday 6th October 2026
Monday 12th October 2026
9.15 – 10.15am, 10.45 – 11.45am, 1.30 – 2.30pm



Large, purposeful
EYFS space



Continuous
Provision
across the school



Play based
lunchtimes



Nurture/ELSA
support

Open Evening Event
Wednesday 14th October 2026 at 5pm



Forest
School



Sensory
Space



Rich
Library



Close links
with the
Junior School



We were over
subscribed
last year!



St Denys CofE Infant School
Laud Close, Ibstock
Leicestershire, LE67 6NL

RESERVE YOUR SPACE NOW

SCAN THE QR CODE TO COMPLETE THE FORM AND TO BOOK A SLOT. CONTACT OUR OFFICE TEAM ON 01530 260004 FOR ANY FURTHER ENQUIRIES.



SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENING

THURSDAY 5 NOVEMBER 5.30- 8.00PM

Register at www.lgs-senior.org.uk/sixth-form



Facilities for **HIRE!**

**Book your next
event today!**

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

@ facilityhire@lifemultiacademytrust.org.uk

🔗 life.schoolhire.co.uk

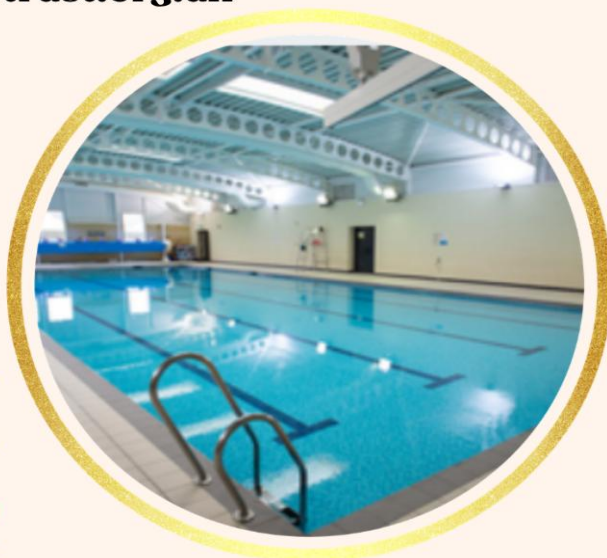


LIFE
Our Services



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Parent Support Coffee Morning



Parenting isn't always easy — but you don't have to do it alone.

Come along for a friendly, informal coffee morning where parents and carers can meet, chat, and support each other.



Share experiences



Meet other local parents



Help with SEND issues



Need to know about benefits



Enjoy a coffee and a relaxed chat

No pressure. No judgement. Just support and good company.

Pop in for a cuppa — we'd love to see you!



Coalville CAN HQ
Memorial Square, Coalville, LE67 3TU



3rd Thursday of each Month



12pm – 2.30pm



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 northwestleicslsa.org.uk/club-activ8.

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