

Dear Families,

Please find below the parent bulletin for week beginning Monday 5th October 2026.

All Years



Save Our Post Office

A huge thank you to all the visitors to the school who have taken the time to sign the petition to Save Ibstock Post Office. Students have been working hard writing letters to their MP asking for support with OUR campaign. If you are yet to sign the petition to Save the Post Office a link can be found here:

<https://www.change.org - Save OUR Post Office>



Our First Ever Festive Wreath Making Workshop – Book Now.

We're excited to be launching our very first festive wreath making workshop this year — a brand new addition to our community calendar and a lovely way to get into the Christmas spirit together. This will be held on Tuesday 1st December at 7pm. To book your tickets please follow the link here –

[Wreath Making Workshop Tickets](#)



Celebrating a strong start to the year – Rewards week, OUR Day and Wear something Red Day 2026

As we reach the final week of this half term, we'll be celebrating our strong start to the academic year with **OUR Rewards Week**. Students will have opportunities to recognise and celebrate their successes across the school with daily competitions, prize draws and OUR rewards shop.

Next week will also see our first **OUR Day** of the academic year, with activities for every year group. These include trip to Alton Towers, fun with floats, a special guest speaker and crew sports tournaments as well as year group specific activities specially designed for your child.



Each Friday this half term, we've celebrated our great attendance with **PE Kit Fridays**. On **Friday 16 October**, we're encouraging students to wear something red as part of **Wear Red Day 2026**. Students can wear their PE kit, but they're also welcome to wear something else red instead.

After half term, we'll explore new ways to celebrate our impressive attendance. It has remained in line with the national average throughout this half term and has improved significantly over the past 18 months. Thank you for helping us **inspire our community to thrive**.

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**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](#)

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Dates for your diary...

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 – Anti Racism - Wear something red.

Friday 16 October 2026 – Last Day of Term

Monday 26 October 2026 – First Day of Term

Tuesday 27 October 2026 – Y6 High Aspirations Event (Invite only)

Wednesday 28 October 2026 - Year 10 Homework Online Parent Event 4:30 - 5:30pm

Thursday 12 November 2026 – Early Finish of 2pm

Thursday 26 November 2026 – Y7 Awesome Autumn Rewards Evening (more info to follow)

Year 10	PowerPoint Slides from Y10 - Parent Event Thank you to those who were able to attend the online parent event last night. For those who could not make it, please see the PowerPoint slides here. Year 10 - OUR Journey to Success
Year 11	Revision Fest The key presentation and booklet can be found here Exams at Ibstock School - Revision if you were unable to come to the event. Year 11 students have had the opportunity to collect paper copies of subject-specific resources from their CREW leader.

Current Vacancies

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



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Festive Wreath Making Workshop

★ Get into the festive spirit and
create your own beautiful
Christmas wreath! ★



**Tuesday 1st
December 2026**



7pm



Ibstock School



Tickets: £40

Cash needs to be brought into
school office by 6th November 2026.



Glass of fizz and
festive treats
included! ★



Please bring along
some gardening scissors!
secateurs.



Scan to book
your place!

All proceeds directly support our
School Enrichment Fund, providing activities,
guest workshops, playground upgrades and
special events for all year groups.



SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENING

THURSDAY 5 NOVEMBER 5.30- 8.00PM

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



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