

Friday 9th May 2025

Headteacher

We have received the draft Ofsted report, we have responded asking for minor factual errors to be corrected, this means I hope to be able to share the report with you next week.

We have recently switched contracts for our grounds maintenance and invested in some new FA standard goals. The new contract and the work of Dan and Ian, our site team, means our grounds are now looking much improved. This, alongside the excellent behaviour our students display in social times, has meant we been able to open the bottom field for Year 11 students to play football.

The Department for Education now publishes league table for attendance at school, we are placed highly when compared to similar schools, and with other high schools in Suffolk. Thank you for your efforts as parents and carers in ensuring students have good school attendance. Everyday really does matter, not just in terms of a student's achievement but also in their sense of belonging to the school community and that all important socialisation with their peers.

Mr Gibb

Key Dates

Week beginning 12th May is Week A on our timetable

13 th May 2025	Catch-up Vaccinations- HPV, MMR, MEN and DTP
15 th May 2025	Year 8 Progress Evening
22 nd May 2025	Coffee House
23 rd May 2025	Half Term
2 nd June 2025	School reopens for all pupils

Arbor

Please ensure that Arbor accounts are topped up for your child. We are not usually permitted to allow accounts to go into arrears. If you do not top up their account, please send a packed lunch.

Our new website can be found here: www.ixworthhighschool.org

Enrichment

The Sport trip for Enrichment Week is now full. All trips have been given an extension on sign up deadlines, so please check again if you have struggled with this previously.

The Codebreaking trip is now been rebranded as Espionage and Ethical Hacking. Please contact Mrs Edmunds if you have any further questions on this. Reminder that all students in year 7-10 must sign up to an Enrichment activity for Enrichment Week. Please contact Mr Stacpoole if you have any questions on this.

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Pastoral Notices

Student Related Enquiries

General enquiries about students or student-related incidents should always in the FIRST instance go to their Tutor. If for any reason this does not resolve the issue, please then contact the Head of Upper or Lower school, whichever is relevant to your child.

Student Absence

Student absences should still be registered with the School Office Team by Phone 01359 234050
aaa@ixworthhighschool.org by 9:00 am.

Lost Property

Items of lost property will be kept at the School Office. Please ensure you have all school uniform and sports kit clearly marked with your name on the inside of the item so if you do misplace anything it can be returned to you quickly.

Safeguarding

Our Designated Safeguarding Lead is Mrs Hale, she is contactable via the school office. We continue to push on high levels of attendance for our students across the school and in Forge. There are currently a high number of students still in the running for this term's hot chocolate awards. They must maintain their 100% attendance for this term to receive the invite. Thank you to the parents and carers in our community who support their children to make the right choice every day. Research tells us that 95% plus attendance adds one grade, on average at GCSE.

Below you will see the link to our Attendance and Punctuality Policy. This can be accessed on our website under Policies.

<https://www.ixworthhighschool.org/assets/Documents/Attachments/Attendance-and-Punctuality-Policy-2024.pdf>

Nut Free School

A reminder that we are a nut free school, we have several students and staff with severe allergies to nuts. The ban includes all nut-based products (Nutella etc.), foods containing nuts including sweets (Snickers etc.) and whole nuts. A simple error in allowing these foods into school could result in a life-threatening reaction for some students and staff.

Tennis Club

From Monday 12th May, Mr Slow will be running a tennis club for students from years 7 to 11. The sessions will be a variety of fun skills-based games, drills and matches. Sessions will take place during Monday lunchtimes from 12:50pm to 1:20pm. For pupils looking to take part they will need parents/carers to sign up via arbor or by emailing d.slow@ixworthhighschool.org. Pupils will need full PE kit and trainers. All tennis rackets and tennis balls will be provided. If pupils choose to bring their own racket or equipment, it will be their responsibility. Please email Mr Slow if you have any further questions.

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Ixworth High School's
production of



Disney
FROZEN JR.

Performance date:
Wednesday 2nd July 2025 6pm
Thursday 3rd July 2025 6pm

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Raffle Fundraiser

All proceeds donated to the Ixworth High School
Year 11 Prom 2025

MAY 22ND

1 TICKET FOR 50P
5 TICKETS FOR £2

Prizes include:
Family pass to Jimmy's Farm
Green King Brewery Tour
Family pass to National Trust
Swimming vouchers for Abbeycroft
Leisure Centre


Winners will be drawn at the Coffee House
event hosted in school on Thursday 22nd May.

If you are not present to choose your prize it will
be selected by a member of staff at the event.

For more information please contact Mrs Morris
b.morris@ixworthhighschool.org

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CoffeeHouse

May 22nd 2025

*A night for the arts!
highlighted by wonderful
student performances.*

Doors open at 5pm

Tickets available on Arbor
Coffee treats and tea
for sale while enjoying

