

Friday 13th June 2025

Headteacher

This week we welcomed our Year 6 students joining us in September at our meet the Form Tutor event, they will be joining us for two further induction days. Our Year 11s are in the final few days of their exams and are looking forward to their leaver's assembly and prom. All students have worked incredibly hard, remained focused and positive; we are very proud of them. We are looking forward to celebrating some great results with them in August.

We have three adverts posted currently, to increase our staffing: a part time Admin Assistant role, an Internal Exclusion Manager role and a PT Female Teacher role. If you know of anyone that is looking to join an amazing school, please advise them to look on our website or directly on the Sapientia website.

We have been meeting with Suffolk County Council and new housing developers to look at safe access routes to our school and the proposed new primary school. There are two substantial developments close to the school; the reference numbers are DC/25/0666/HYB and DC/25/0370/OUT. If you drive your children to school, or they walk or cycle, your opinions would be valuable and can be submitted by visiting the West Suffolk Council planning page and using the reference numbers above.

Wishing you a restful weekend.

Mr Gibb

Key Dates

Week beginning 16th June is Week B on our timetable

19 th June 2025	Year 7 Progress Evening
14 th July 2025	Year 10 Work Experience commences
18 th July 2025	Summer Enrichment commences
22 nd July 2025	Last day of term
21 st August 2025	Year 11 GCSE Results Day
3 rd September 2025	School reopens for Year 7 only
4 th September 2025	School open for all students



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Student Enquiries

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. 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.

SchoolHire

Ixworth High School is now using SchoolHire to allow groups, clubs, activities and parties to be arranged after school. By following the link on our school website under *Community- Letting our Facilities*, this will allow you to access our booking page. We are letting out classrooms, grass football pitches, MUGA, New Hall, restaurant and the gymnasium. This is a fantastic way for Ixworth to provide spaces for the local community.

<https://schoolhire.co.uk/bury-st-edmunds/ixworth>

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Pastoral Messages

Attendance:

I am very pleased to report that a large portion of our students have now hit their 25 consecutive day attendance streak. As a reward they have received their additional 5 house points and their early lunch pass.

Their next challenge is 50 consecutive days in school. Thank you to all parent/carers who are supporting their children to be present 100% of the time.

Weather:

We have now been blessed with some very warm weather. I wanted to remind you that blazers and trousers are not a necessity as part of the summer uniform. However, we do insist that students continue to tuck in their shirts and do up their top buttons enabling their ties to be worn correctly.

Sun hats, sunscreen and water bottles are very sensible from now on.

Year 6 Transition:

It was a pleasure to meet our new Year 7 cohort this week in Meet The Tutor evening. Students had an opportunity to meet other children in their tutor group and of course get to know their tutors in readiness for September. We cannot wait to welcome them all back for the full transition days on 24th and 25th June.



Ixworth High School's
production of



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

Frozen Tickets- Eventbrite

[Frozen Jr Day 1 Tickets, Wed 2 Jul 2025 at 18:00 | Eventbrite](#)

[Frozen Jr Day 2 Tickets, Thu 3 Jul 2025 at 18:00 | Eventbrite](#)

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Join us at Ixworth

Open Event

Thursday 18th September 2025

Experience lessons at Ixworth!
Taster session dates (*Times to be confirmed*):

 PE Tuesday 16th Sept 2025	 French Wednesday 8th Oct 2025
 Science Wednesday 24th Sept 2025	 History Wednesday 15th Oct 2025
 Drama Wednesday 1st Oct 2025	 Art Tuesday 21st Oct 2025



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Year 5 Taster Sessions are live to book on our website.

Timings for Year 6 experience lessons will be released promptly, dates on poster above. These posters have been sent to local primary schools and we have contacted school offices to provide more information.