

## **Ixworth Bulletin**



### Friday 6th June 2025

#### Headteacher

As explained in the last bulletin we are moving our MIS from Arbor to Bromcom. The move has been delayed slightly as we need to ensure that the cashless payment system is working. I will keep you informed, but please continue to use Arbor until you are informed otherwise. Just a reminder that when we do switch you will need the My Child at School App (MCAS) or the website, the App can be downloaded but you will not be able to login yet.

We are fully staffed for September with some additional roles planned in our admin and pastoral teams and adverts will be posted next week for these. This week we made successful internal appointments to the Head of Humanities and Head of PSHE/Careers roles.

In this edition, we feature three students who are taking part in the "Race for Life Pretty Muddy" on June 15<sup>th</sup> in Ipswich. They are raising money for Cancer Research, and we all wish them the best of luck and have included the link for donations.

https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/amies-race-for-life-2950

Wishing you a restful weekend.

Mr Gibb

#### **Key Dates**

#### Week beginning 9th June is Week B on our timetable

16<sup>th</sup> June 2025 Year 11 Leavers Assembly- P2

19<sup>th</sup> June 2025 Year 7 Progress Evening

27<sup>th</sup> June 2025 Year 11 Prom

2/3 July 2025 Frozen Jr

8<sup>th</sup> July 2025 Sports Day

14<sup>th</sup> July 2025 Year 10 Work Experience commences

18<sup>th</sup> July 2025 Summer Enrichment commences

22<sup>nd</sup> July 2025 Last Day of term-

24<sup>th</sup> August 2025 Year 11 GCSE Results Day

3<sup>rd</sup> September 2025 School reopens for Year 7 only

4<sup>th</sup> September 2025 School open for all students

#### **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.



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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.pd

#### PE/ Enrichment

The PE department are strongly advising that students bring water, hats and suncream in for their summer term PE lessons. Temperatures are set to increase further, and these items are vital for students. In anticipation of sports day, please ensure students wear a top with their house colour. If they are unsure, please speak to Miss Collins in the office.

On Wednesday 4th June, we took a squad of Y10 and Y9 to the annual U15 West Suffolk Athletics meet at Bury St Edmunds Leisure Centre, competing against 11 other local high schools. There were some outstanding performances. I could mention team member, as they all did incredibly well. Special mention to Carter M and Fran B for competing versus students a year up from them. Carter M with an outstanding high jump. Other brilliant performances include Imogen F, who won her 300m race, Olivia S who finished in the top 2 in the shot put and Oscar C who jumped a long jump PB.

Really outstanding teamwork from the squad which culminated great finishes in the team relays. A final well done to those students who did not compete in their first-choice event, a proper team effort. Congratulations to all!

#### **Mr Manington**



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#### Attendance

This big push in the summer term has ensured our attendance figure remains above the national and Suffolk averages. Thank you to all parent/carers who have continued to support their children to be present, punctual and in the correct uniform.



# **Ixworth High School's** production of





### Performance date: Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2025 6pm Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2025 6pm

Music & Lyrics by Kristen Anderson-Lopez & Robert Lopez

> Book by Jennifer Lee

Based on the Disney film written by Jennifer Lee and directed by Chris Buck and Jennifer Lee