



IDSALL NEWS edition 65

5 June 2026

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- Thu 18th June : New Student Induction for Sixth Form
- Fri 19th June : Collaboration Day
- Mon 22nd June ; UCAS Convention, Birmingham
- Tue 23rd June : Year 11 Prom
- Tue 23rd to Tue 30th June : Year 12 Mock Exams
- Thu 25th June : Year 13 Leavers Breakfast and Prom

- Mon 29th to Fri 3rd July : Year 10 Work Experience Week
- Thu 2nd Jul : 6th Form Parents Evening
- Mon 6th & Tue 7th July : Year 6 Transitions Days
- Mon 13th & Tue 14th July : School Show "Beauty and the Beast"
- Wed 15th July : Boogie Nights
- Mon 20th July : Sixth Form Enrichment Trip to Alton Towers
- Mon 20th July : Year 7 to 10 Sports Day
- Tue 21st July : Sixth Form Sports Day
- Tue 21st July : Drayton Manor / Cinema & Bowling Enrichment Trips
- Wed 22nd July : Alton Towers Enrichment Trip
- Thu 23rd July : Last Day of School (Sports Day Contingency Day)

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Michelle King - Headteacher



Dear Parents, Carers and Students

Welcome Back

I hope you all had a truly lovely half term and were able to make the most of the beautiful weather. It's always so nice to hear about how families have spent their time whether that's been days out, holidays, or simply enjoying some well-earned rest together.

It has been great to welcome everyone back into school this week, and there is already a strong sense of purpose as we begin our final half term of the academic year. This is always a special time it feels busy, but also full of opportunity as we look to finish the year on a high.

For our Year 11 and Year 13 students in particular, I want to say how proud we are of the way they are approaching their exams—with resilience, maturity and determination. This is a demanding period, and they are rising to the challenge admirably. For all of our other students, this half term is about showing just how much progress has been made and continuing to push forward with confidence.

There is still so much to look forward to in the weeks ahead celebrations, events, and moments where we can reflect on everything that has been achieved this year. As always, thank you for your continued support; it makes such a difference in helping our students to arrive each day ready to learn and succeed.

We're looking forward to a positive, productive and enjoyable final half term together.

Year 7 News



Year 7 Planet Projects

Year 7 students have been exploring the wonders of our Solar System through an exciting planet project.

As part of their learning, each student selected their favourite planet and carried out research to discover fascinating facts about it.

To bring their learning to life, students have been creating impressive paper mâché models of their chosen planets. They have demonstrated excellent creativity, teamwork, and perseverance throughout the project, carefully designing and painting their models to reflect the unique features of each planet.

The finished planets are a fantastic showcase of both scientific understanding and artistic talent, and we are very proud of the effort and enthusiasm Year 7 have shown.











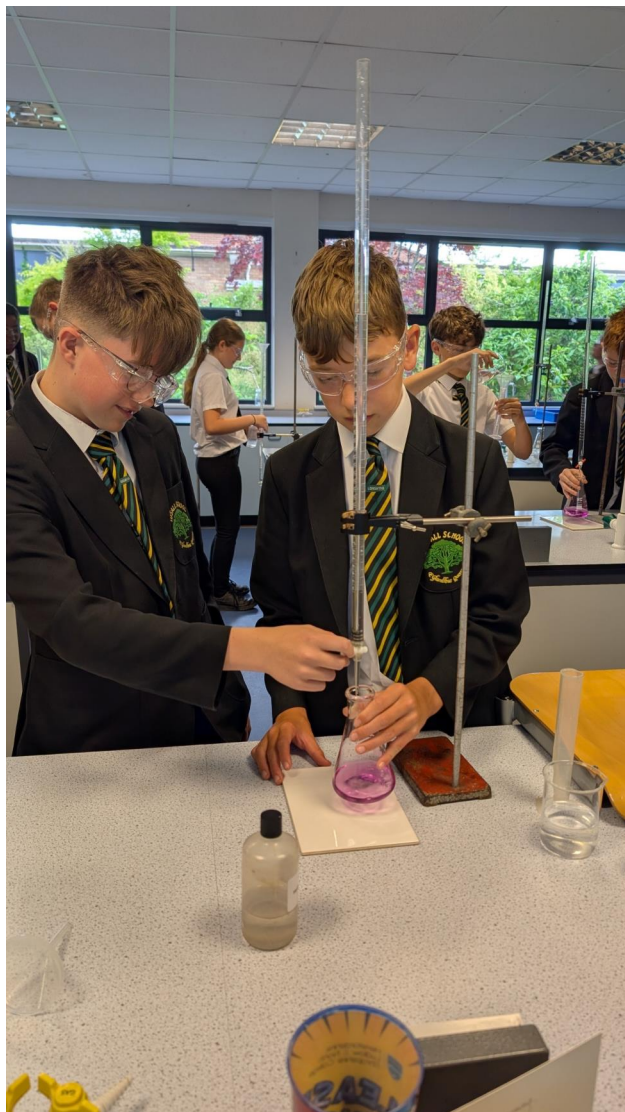
Chemistry Skills

Year 7L2 Chemistry students had their experimental skills challenged today! They had to do a titration to work out the volume of hydrochloric acid needed to neutralise 25cm³ of sodium hydroxide.

All students worked incredibly well, safely and precisely. With some excellent mean titres calculated that were very close to the actual value.







European Champions

On Friday 22nd May, Telford Town MJPL u12's set off to play in a European Tournament - the Arnhem Cup held in Holland. The team included at least 2 students from Idsall, Josh M and Charlie R from year 7.

The team played a 2 day tournament against, and beating, teams from Holland, Belgium, Scotland and Germany.

The team won all the group games and knockout games to bring the trophy home.

Huge congratulations to Charlie who scored 5 of the goals!

This is an amazing achievement and huge congratulations to all those that took part in, and won, the European Tournament

If you want to read more on this fabulous win, please see the link below to Telford live with all the details of Telford Town MJPL tournament win.

<https://www.telford-live.com/2026/05/>



Dance Star Heading for Nationals

Through her dance school, Amelia F - year 7, has been taking part in various competitions and qualified for the All England Regional final that was held at Warwick over half term.

She performed a solo musical theatre piece from Shrek and won her event.

As a result she has qualified for the National Final in Eastbourne in the summer.

This is an amazing achievement and we congratulate Amelia on her journey so far! Good luck with the National Finals!



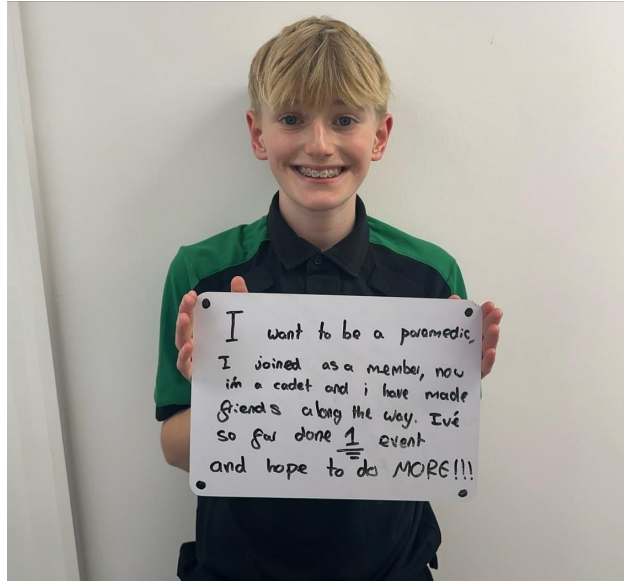
National Volunteer Week

This week is national volunteer week.

Mrs Reeve is proud of all of her year group, and especially those that volunteer to help others inside or outside of the school community.

Alfie is one of those pupils. Alfie volunteers for St John's Ambulance Service, and is hoping to use this experience to help other people - as well as to help him pursue his own dreams of becoming a paramedic.

Well done to Alfie, and all that volunteer to help others.



Year 8 News



Year 8 Climate Summit

On Thursday 2nd July 2026, Year 8 students will take part in a Trust-wide Model United Nations COP Climate Summit, exploring the theme "Is the world doing enough?".

Representing countries from across the globe, students will research climate issues, deliver speeches, and engage in debate before culminating in a high-level Top Table negotiation.

The event is supported by the United Nations Association Marches and Borders Branch, with Gareth Von Dinther, Director of the UNA, leading the day.

This initiative will help prepare students for future participation in Year 9 and Sixth Form simulations.



Year 10 News



Ice Hockey National Champions!

Congratulations to Alfie B and Max H in year 10 for an incredible season playing for Solihull Junior Barons U19s.

The team won the North 2 League back in April and qualified for a spot in the National Finals. On Sunday 31st May the team were crowned National Champions in Sheffield after an outstanding 6 - 1 victory over Solent.

The boys put on a huge performance; showcasing the passion, hard work and commitment they have shown throughout the season.



Year 11 News



Exam and Revision Timetable

As we start towards our final full week of revision sessions and exams, we are looking forward to having all the year 11 students, in the same room - at the same time - for the final time, as we hold their leavers assembly on Friday 12th June. The assembly will take place following their Chemistry exam and after an hour revision towards their final exam, Physics.

Following the leavers' assembly, students will be dismissed and expected to leave site by approximately 1:15pm.

We encourage all students to attend the final week of scheduled revision sessions as part of their final preparation for examinations.

	GCSE EXAM PLANNING		TIMETABLE REVISION		
	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5
Monday 8th June	COMBINED SCIENCE - BIOLOGY (1 hr 15 mins) (170 students) BIOLOGY (1 hr 45 mins) (42 Students)			Early lunch for exams	FURTHER MATHEMATICS (1 hr 45 mins) Maths Revision (Maths Staff)
Tuesday 9th June	Maths Revision (Maths Staff)		History Revision (RST / JB / SCV / GHO / LRP)	Early lunch for exams	HISTORY (1 hr 30 mins) (139 Students)
Wednesday 10th June	MATHEMATICS (1 hr 30 mins) (212 Students)		DT Revision (HLO)	Early lunch for exams	DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY (2 hours) (20 Students)
Thursday 11th June	GEOGRAPHY (1 hr 30 mins) (86 Students)		Food Prep Revision (HLO)	Early lunch for exams	FOOD PREPARATION AND NUTRITION (1 hr 45 mins) (42 Students) Chemistry Revision (Science Staff)
Friday 12th June	COMBINED SCIENCE - CHEMISTRY (1 hr 15 mins) (170 students) CHEMISTRY (1 hr 45 mins) (42 Students)		Physics Revision (Science Staff)	Early lunch for exams	LEAVERS ASSEMBLY (HOY & TUTORS)
Monday 15th June	COMBINED SCIENCE - PHYSICS (1 hr 15 mins) (170 students) PHYSICS (1 hr 45 mins) (42 Students)			Early lunch for exams	

Results Day - Date for the Diary

Year 11 GCSE Results Day will be on **Thursday 20th August, 2026**.

This is a time for the year 11 students to come back into the school, meet their teachers and receive their results. They will also have the time to confirm their place in the Idsall Sixth Form as the Sixth Form Team will be there ready to welcome their new cohort!

As well as this, according to the Government website, every year 11 student in England will be able to see their GCSE exam results on a new app from summer 2026. Their results will be available later in the day on the app, so pupils, if they want them asap, will need to come into the school to collect.

For more information on this new app, please take a look at the link below :

[Government modernises exam records with new app - GOV.UK](#)

Sixth Form News

Key 6th Form Dates

Please see below a list of key dates for Sixth Form students until the end of term. We are hoping to visit Keele University in addition to this list but dates for this visit are still to be confirmed.

18th June - New student induction day

22nd June - UCAS Convention, B'ham

23rd – 30th June - Year 12 mock exams

25th June - Leaver's breakfast and Year 13 Prom

29th June – 3rd July – Year 12 WEX (Select students only. All other students to be in lessons as per TT).

20th July - Alton towers

OTHER IDSALL NEWS

*** 6th Form Induction Day**

New student induction day will be taking place on the 18th June for students that have been offered a place in the 6th Form.

The day will follow the normal school timings and students are welcome to arrive from 8.45 am.

- The dress code for this event is smart casual.
- Students will need to bring basic stationary and some comfortable footwear for the afternoon activities.

For any further questions or queries about the day, please contact Mr Bowler, the Head of Sixth Form.

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starts here...**

*** Supporting Our Armed Forces and their Families**

We have been contacted by the Project Team Lead who is currently working on an important project – Supporting Serving Forces and their Families on the Move.

The objectives of this project are to.

- Improve the quality of life for service families impacted by relocation.
- Offer preventative and /or early intervention approaches – emphasis on health & wellbeing.
- Assist forces families to access services as they relocate
- Reduce isolation and loneliness, enabling families to build support networks locally.
- Address unique challenges and issues families can face.
- and much more!

For more information please see the poster below and contact Val or Joe direct.

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You tell us what you need - we'll find you the right support:



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- settling into your new community

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Serving Families: On the Move

Who are we?

Val and Joe support armed forces families in Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin. Offering a confidential service to help you understand the area, access services, and feel at home.



Val brings lived experience as an ex-RAF spouse alongside strong health and wellbeing expertise in armed forces communities.

Joe is the son of a veteran and understands how to help military families feel settled, connected and supported.

How does it work?

Scan the QR code and complete the short form. We'll contact you for a friendly confidential chat to understand what support you need. Whatever your situation, we'll do our best to help.



Connect with us to feel more at home

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armedforces@community-resource.org.uk

About Community Resource

We are a charity that is committed to making life better for people and communities facing challenges in Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin.

Find out more at community-resource.org.uk



Community Resource is an operating name of the Community Council of Shropshire. A Company Limited by Guarantee 4052467 and a Registered Charity 1096779

* Ingestre Hall Residential

Thank you to all those that paid the deposit for the residential trip to Ingestre Hall in October 2026. Places have now been filled and an email has been sent to all parents /guardians of students that had paid the deposit.

I have now started a waiting list so if you would like your students name to be put on the list please email me :

cathy.leverington@ids.mmat.co.uk



* From the PE Department



U13 Girls County Cup Runners-Up

On a wet and windy Wednesday, our U13 girls travelled to Lilleshall for the County Cup Final. After battling tough opposition and challenging conditions, they returned home with well-deserved silver medals.

Miss Logan, Miss Broughton and the PE team are incredibly proud of the girls and all the hard work, resilience and determination they have shown throughout the competition.

Reaching the final is a fantastic achievement, and the girls should be so proud of themselves.

We go again next year – absolute superstars! 🌟👏⚽





Rounders Tournament

The Year 8 Rounders team played their first tournament of the year on Thursday 4th June.

They showed amazing teamwork and resilience in a tough pool of teams.

Standout performances from Lucy, Katie, and Georgia, but the whole team worked hard for each other throughout.

Sadly, we didn't make the final but a solid performance from all.

It was lovely to see everyone playing with a smile of their faces.

Well done!





Chance to Shine Softball

🔪 Our U13 Girls enjoyed a fantastic day at Frankwell CC competing in the Chance to Shine Softball Competition.

The girls showed great batting, bowling and fielding skills throughout the day, finishing a brilliant 3rd overall against some strong opposition.

Well done, girls! 🍌 ❤️





Cricket for Year 7

☀️🏏 A fantastic morning of cricket for 7 of our Year 7 & 8 students at Wellington CC, taking part in a tournament organised by Cricket Shropshire!

Brilliant batting, fielding and bowling performances on display, with plenty of fun in the sun too.

Our students thoroughly enjoyed the experience and are already looking forward to the next competition! 🙌





Year 7 House Rounders

Year 7 enjoyed the final Friday before half term with a house rounders warm up tournament! Lots of fun in the sun and some healthy competition made for a lovely lesson to end the half term!

The PE department look forward to seeing them in action in the upcoming house competitions! 🌞 ❤️ 🍀 🟡 💙



SSCFA County Football Team

⚽ On the Friday before we broke up for May half term, seven of our fantastic Year 7 and Year 8 footballers attended trials for the SSCFA County Football Team!

What an incredible opportunity for our girls, who played brilliantly throughout and represented the school with pride. They should all be extremely proud of themselves!

Now we've got our fingers crossed for the team announcement 🍀💙



Fantastic Start to Athletics Season

A fantastic start to the athletics season for our Year 8 team! 🌟 Well done to all our athletes who competed with determination in both rain and sunshine, with many stepping up to try new events.

We are so proud of Team Idsall and the way they represented the school tonight! 🏃‍♀️🏃‍♂️

Shoutout to Mr Goodison and Mr Sandy who did a fantastic job running the high jump event whilst Miss Broughton and Miss Logan hid from the rain 🤔☔

Are you interested in representing Idsall on the track or field?

If so Speak to Miss Broughton or Miss Logan to get signed up! ✍️✅













Miss Logan and Miss Broughton sheltering from the rain!



* Safeguarding



At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to have an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one of those games which we believe further adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further games, with links for advice.

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about ROBLOX

Roblox is one of the most popular video games on the market by 2020 (the game's mystery) were claiming that more than half of children in the USA play it (AS & SANGBOX, 2019). Roblox offers a huge amount of creative freedom. It lets players create their own gaming experiences with the Roblox Studio 3D public custom-level build game, which can then be shared with other players online. Roblox fosters creative thinking and enjoys a vibrant online community of fans.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

CONTACT WITH STRANGERS
Roblox encourages players to communicate online (including in group chat facilities). This could expose children to risks such as identity, online predators, harassment, griefing and more. The age rating has some limits, but text-based players can still send administrative messages to others – such as scam links or general hostility – and predators can reach out to children directly.

ONLINE DATERS
There are also called 'daters' and are quite common in Roblox. An 'dater' is an individual who joins a game with the intention of finding someone to date online – and eventually meet in person. Such online dating is against the Roblox community guidelines, but this already doesn't deter 'daters'. Some player-built Roblox game worlds have even been designed with online dating specifically in mind.

PUBLIC SERVERS
Roblox has private or VIP servers which allow people to play exclusively with their friends (at the cost of money). Most Roblox players will instead be on public servers that anyone can join. Servers can host games which focus on different aspects, including direct player interaction. Some games are 'pay-to-win', which put children more at risk of contact from strangers than others.

IN-APP PURCHASES
Roblox is actually free to download and play, but even in more than 100 million Roblox users are encouraged to make purchases in the game, for example using real money. People can also buy extra Robux (the game's virtual currency) to spend on cosmetic items in the game, and it is possible to purchase a private or VIP server.

Advice for Parents & Carers

SET PARENTAL CONTROLS
Roblox comes with several parental control options, which are explained in the game's official website. It is essential to enter the correct date of birth for your child, so that Roblox can accurately display the appropriate filters. The game also allows parents and carers to set monthly spending restrictions and monitor their child's account.

DISABLE PRIVATE MESSAGING
Roblox's private messaging function raises the risk of children being contacted by people they may not want to talk with – potentially and leading to harmful, unwanted, explicit or sexual messages. The game allows you to disable messages from anyone who hasn't been added as a friend on your child's account.

PRIVATE SERVERS
If your child has some genuine friends to play Roblox games with, joining for a private or VIP server decreases the risk of contact from strangers. Even then, however, some players could be 'daters' – who might not necessarily be directly related to the private server. If your child is a Roblox fan, it's important to talk with them regularly about what they are playing the game with.

MONITOR SPENDING
If they don't understand they're using real money, it's easy for children to accidentally spend a lot more than they have. Using parental controls to place limits on their spending will help. Using parental controls to place limits on their spending will help. Using parental controls to place limits on their spending will help. Using parental controls to place limits on their spending will help.

DEALING WITH STRANGERS
At some point in their development, your child will need to learn how to deal with strangers online. Show them how to block and report any users who are upsetting them or asking uncomfortable questions. Talking to them about what's OK to discuss – and what they should never tell a stranger online – will help them understand how to communicate with other people online safely.

Meet Our Expert
Claire Godwin (a.k.a. Luvawell) has worked as an editor and journalist in the gaming industry since 2012, providing insights with event coverage, reviews and gaming guides. She is the co-author of several parenting and technology working on various gaming-related projects including game development and writing non-fiction books.

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We'll invite you to an event to learn more about getting involved

This is open to ALL young people. We're especially interested in hearing from you if you...

- are disabled, neurodivergent, or have a long-term health condition
- are home educated, or struggled with school
- are a young carer, or have other caring responsibilities
- are care experienced or looked after
- live in a rural area with not many opportunities
- are part of a community who experiences racism and/or discrimination
- aren't currently in education, employment or training
- grew up in a household where things weren't easy

REGISTER BEFORE 29TH MAY 2026 TO SECURE YOUR SPOT!

For more information contact Rachel on 07815 018462 or email

youthvoice@shropshire.gov.uk



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go to the ball!*



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We have a few to choose from

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- Fun and inclusive sessions for beginners and experienced players
- ECB qualified, friendly coaches
- Build confidence, teamwork and fitness
- Make new friends and be part of a real team
- Training sessions and matches throughout the season.
- Girls of **all ages and abilities**
- Beginners absolutely welcome – no experience needed!



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SUMMER TERM SEND MEET & CHAT FAMILY DROP-IN

Hosted by Shropshire Early Help



Do you care for a child or young person with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND)?

These sessions are open to anyone supporting a child with SEND – whether you're a parent carer, family member, or professional.

Come along to ask questions, get practical advice, and connect with professionals who understand your journey

Speak with experts in:

- EHCPs
- School support
- Health and wellbeing
- Social care
- Mental health
- Navigating SEND challenges

Each session will have different professionals available, so come along, have a chat, and find the help you need.

BRIDGNORTH LIBRARY

Tuesday 19th May 2026
1:30pm-3:30pm

Bridgnorth Library,
Listley Street, Town Centre,
Bridgnorth, WV16 4AW

SHREWSBURY THE LANTERN

Thursday 16th June 2026
10:00am-12:00pm

The Lantern,
Meadow Farm drive, Shrewsbury,
SY1 4NG

OSWESTRY LIBRARY

Thursday 2nd July 2026
13:00pm-15:00pm

Oswestry Library,
Arthur Street, Oswestry,
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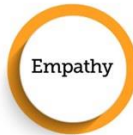
Our values :



Excellence: striving always for mastery and personal success



Integrity: consistently acting with honesty, compassion and respect



Empathy: embracing and supporting the uniqueness of every individual



Creativity: inspiring and challenging through invention, experimentation and exploration



Equality: ensuring fair opportunity for all