



IDSALL NEWS edition 68

26 June 2026

Calendar

- Mon 29th to Fri 3rd July : Year 10 Work Experience Week
- Thu 2nd Jul : 6th Form Parents Evening
- Fri 3rd Jul : UN COP Climate Summit - Year 8
- 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

As we reach the end of another busy week, I would like to take a moment to reflect on the resilience and positivity our students have shown over the past few days during the spell of extremely hot weather.

The high temperatures have certainly presented challenges for everyone in school. However, I have been really impressed by the way our students have adapted. Classrooms have remained calm and focused, and students have been considerate and supportive of one another throughout. Staff have worked hard to ensure learning continued effectively while making sensible adjustments such as increased access to water, use of shaded areas, and a flexible approach where needed to keep everyone safe and comfortable. Thank you also to families for

ensuring students arrived prepared with water bottles, sun protection and appropriate uniform adjustments. It has truly been a whole-school effort.

Despite the heat, it has been wonderful to see learning continuing with such commitment and maturity. These moments remind us just how strong our school community is when we work together. On a celebratory note, last week's Year 11 and Year 13 Prom was a tremendous success. It was a truly special evening, with students looking fantastic and enjoying a well-deserved opportunity to celebrate the end of their examinations and their time with us. The atmosphere was full of joy, laughter and pride, and it was clear that many lasting memories were made.

Events like Prom are always significant milestones, and it was a pleasure to see our young people come together in such a positive and respectful way. We are incredibly proud of both year groups not only for their conduct on the night, but for the dedication and perseverance they have shown throughout their studies.

As we move forward, we look forward to slightly cooler temperatures and to continuing the strong momentum across the school.

Thank you, as always, for your ongoing support.

Year 7 News



GCSE Maths Work!

Here are some pictures of a Year 7 class doing GCSE Maths work - Capture/Recapture in a Carousel style lesson!

Capture recapture estimates population size by capturing, marking, releasing, then recapturing individuals, using proportions to infer total population numbers accurately and they did it brilliantly using coloured sticks.

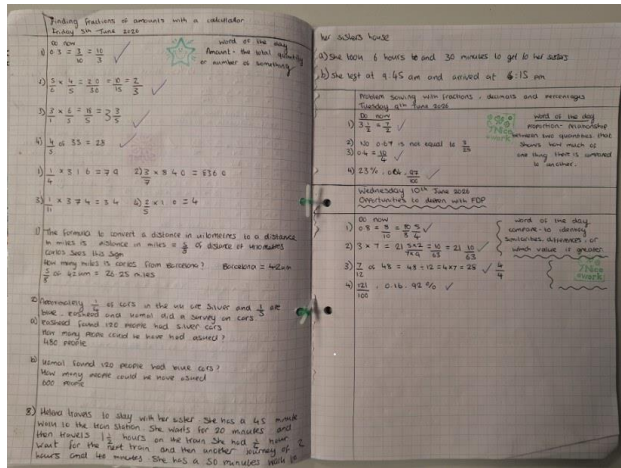
Well done Year 7!



WAGOLL

Mrs Haynes chose to share this with you all. A picture of a beautiful year 7 Maths book. It shows a real pride with the super presentation, that really needed sharing.

This is an exceptional portrait of WAGOLL (What a good one looks like).



Year 10 News

Chidebube Represents Shropshire

We received notification that Chidebube H. Year 10, has been selected to represent Shropshire in the English schools athletics championships on Friday 10th and Saturday 11th July.

This is an incredible achievement and a testament to his talent and dedication to the sport itself. He is always giving 100% in every race and this has shown in his recent shropshire star feature (pics attached)

We will be looking forward to hearing how he gets on!



Shropshire Schools Track & Field Championships at Telford Athletics Stadium. 28: Chidie Hemuka 15 from Idsall School. | STEVE LEATH / ICONIC MEDIA

One of the most keenly-contested events were the under-16 boys sprints as Idsall's Chidebube Hemuka won the 100m in the same time as his rival Ian Wang from Haberdasher Adams School, Newport in 11.3, but the roles were reversed in the 200m, as Wang got the verdict winning in 23.1 with Hemuka second in 23.9.

Year 11 News



PROM

An amazing time appears to have been had by all those that attended the Year 11 Prom from students through to staff.

Despite the hot weather and England playing, the students celebrating their Year 11 prom didn't let it dampen their enjoyment of the evening.

Here are just a couple of the photos.





Sixth Form News

A Final Farewell to Year 13

Yesterday we said a final farewell to our Year 13 students, most of whom are coming to the end of a 7 year journey here with us at Idsall.

Students spent the morning reminiscing over their time spent as part of the school community with a leavers breakfast, alongside the Sixth Form team and their tutors.

In line with tradition, the Sixth Form 'I did it' award was presented to three students, who, over the course of their time at Key Stage 5 have shown outstanding levels of determination and resilience, ploughing through often unseen adversity.

This years well-deserving recipients were Aimee, Harriet and Sannan.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish all of our Year 13 students every success in their future endeavours, wherever their adventures may take them.

As a forever part of 'Team Idsall', we look forward to following their journeys and hearing about their stories and successes, as we encourage them all to stay in touch #idsallalumni

OTHER IDSALL NEWS



* Uniform Updates

Uniform Survey

Below is a QR code and link to our uniform survey which comes from our Trust.

It asks questions that mean you can give your input on the uniform and where it should go in the future.

It is quick to complete .. and remember .. change can only happen if you share your view and this is the first step for you to have your say.

Closing date ; Monday 6th July

<https://edurio.com/poll/3FZZ3xlh6QQj07Kmk2uYBhTRLB9>



* Canteen Updates

CALLING ALL STUDENTS!

Can you please complete this survey. The canteen are asking for feedback on their food/ service etc.

- What food would you like?
- What improvements could be made?

So now is the time to have your say.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/H78C2BP>



What Specials Are Coming Up!



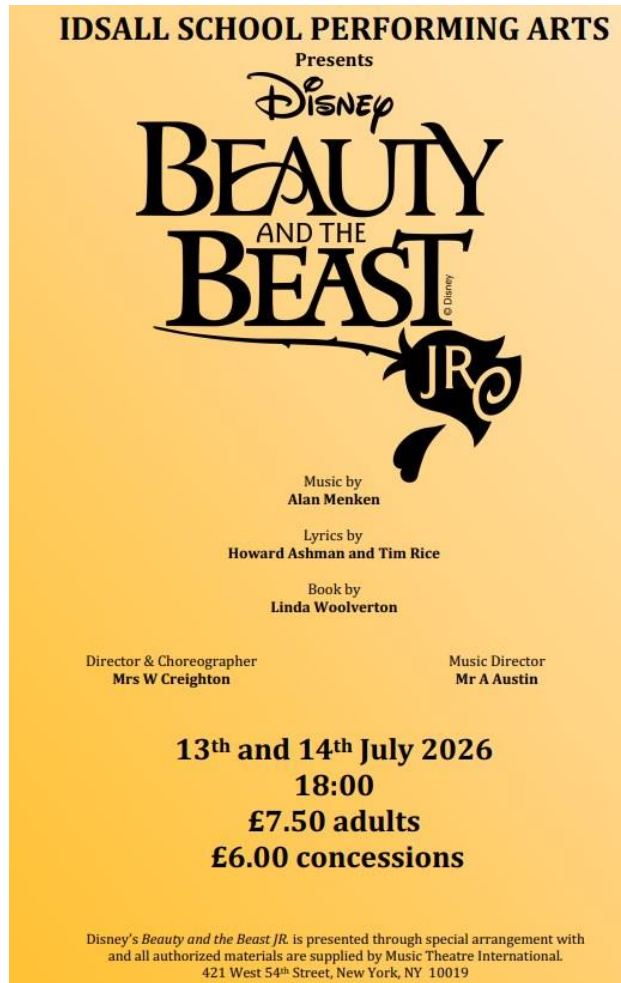


* Beauty and the Beast Tickets On Sale!

Get ready for a tale as old as time!

Tickets are available on Arbor Pay for this magical night, where Idsall School brings you a touch of the West End and Disney in their captivating performance of Beauty and the Beast.

A night not to be missed as our students showcase their amazing talent and tell the timeless fairy tale about love, transformation, and looking beyond appearances.



We can't wait to see you there - book your tickets NOW!

*** Year 6 Welcomed**

Mrs Reeve and the Learning Support Team were delighted to welcome some Year 6's into school for a pre-transition day visit.

Pupils identified by their schools as benefitting from an additional visit came into school on Wednesday, and completed a tour of the school, as well an activity that enabled school to learn more about them – including their family, pets and favourite food!

We are looking forward to welcoming all Year 6's who are joining us in September, on Monday 6th and Tuesday 7th July, and have further enhanced transition days planned for later this term for those who may need it.

* From the PE Department



County Athletics

Miss.Broughton had the pleasure of taking 6 KS3 students to the County Athletics Competition held at Oakengates Leisure Centre on Monday 22nd June, where we saw the best students across Shropshire compete in field and track events.

These students performed exceptionally well in 30 degree heat and brought home some fantastic medals.

A few wins to mention:

- Thea B is now Shropshire County Champion in the 1500m girls category (running against boys and girls, sporting an ankle injury, she was incredible and performed to an elite standard with staff singing her praises and commenting on how talented she is)
- Benjamin F taking 3rd in the 80m hurdles (he is now 3rd in the County for his age group)
- Harley J taking 2nd in the 200m sprint and 3rd in the 800m final (putting him in the top 3 sprinters and long distance runners for his age group in Shropshire)

All students represented Idsall School with incredible resilience and determination in what was a very competitive event.

We wish them all the best of luck for the Telford Championship finals on Wednesday 1st July.









* Teenage Brain Workshop

On Thursday 9th July, Idsall School are hosting a two hour Shropshire Council workshop on the teenage brain!

The workshop will cover :

- How the teenage brain develops
- Emotional wellbeing and regulation
- Changes in communication and sleep
- Exploring behaviours such as risk taking

For more information please take a look at the poster information below.

Shropshire Council

Teenage Brain workshop

Parent: 'I just don't get it'
Teen: 'no one understands me'

Adolescence is a time of enormous change—emotionally, socially and neurologically. It's a process all teenagers and their families go through. During the teenage years, the brain undergoes a major period of development. This affects everything from decision-making and emotional regulation to communication and behaviour.


Come along to our two-hour workshop where we'll look at brain changes and how these can affect your teenager's behaviour and your relationship with them. While every family goes through this stage, understanding what teenagers experience can help you feel more prepared.

Workshop details

Thursday 9th July 1.30pm at Idsall School
Thursday 9th July 6.30pm Online


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To book a place or to find out more about the Parenting Team

email parenting_team@shropshire.gov.uk
call 01743 250950
scan the QR code
visit [The Parenting Team | Shropshire Council](#)



Prefer flexible learning online? Try out the free online learning pathways 'Understanding your Teen'

[Becoming Togetherness - Togetherness](#)



* Safeguarding

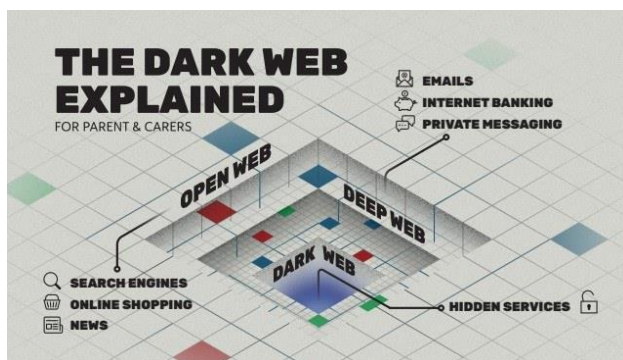


This week's safeguarding focus is on the topic of "The Dark Web".

There are three different parts of the internet: the Open Web, the Deep Web and the Dark Web. The Dark Web is the hidden part of the internet. Dark Web sites do not appear on search engines and can only be accessed using a dedicated anonymity software such as Tor. This software protects the identity of the website and the user and can be used to browse the Open Web anonymously or to access Dark Web sites known as hidden services.

Although the Dark Web is often linked to criminal or illegal content, it is not illegal to access the Dark Web, or to download anonymity software.

Please see video linked here: <https://vimeo.com/1155923134?fl=pl&fe=sh> and the below infographic for more details.



Being aware of the Dark Web can help you have informed conversations and support your child if you are concerned.

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WHY MIGHT YOUR CHILD ACCESS THE DARK WEB?

There are a number of reasons why your child might want to use the Dark Web. These include:

- Curiosity about technology and the online world.
- Privacy concerns.
- Accessing illegal content or services.
- Because they have been coerced or forced to access the Dark Web by someone else.

Whatever the reason for accessing the Dark Web, the potential risks are the same as those on the Open Web. This includes exposure to harmful or illegal content and people who may seek to harm children.



Have you watched our Dark Web Explained video? Watch to find out more about the Dark Web and what to do if you have concerns about your child using it.
ceopeducation.co.uk/parents/articles/dark-web-explained

* 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.




Proudly supporting our armed forces and their families



Serving Families: On the Move

Is a local settlement support service for serving personnel and their families posted to Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin.

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



- healthcare, schooling and local services
- mental health and wellbeing
- debt and money advice
- relocation and life changes
- settling into your new community

Scan the QR code to make an enquiry





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.

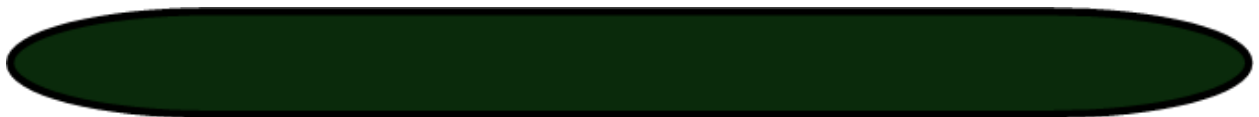
Find out more at community-resource.org.uk

Find us on:



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What's On In The Local Area



WANT TO HELP SHAPE

SERVICES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE IN SHROPSHIRE?

Opportunities to make decisions about services for young people across Shropshire -

- Hybrid and in-person workshops, events, training and more June - August 2026

Open to all 16-25 year olds
Living, working or studying in Shropshire

Please fill in a short registration form within your youth work setting or school or contact Rachel directly. 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





GIRLS HARD & SOFTBALL CRICKET AT SHIFNAL CRICKET CLUB



**All ages • All abilities • Everyone welcome!
Led by a female ECB Core Coach**

Looking for a fun, friendly sport where girls can make new friends, learn new skills, and build confidence? Join **Girls Cricket at Shifnal Cricket Club** and be part of a growing, supportive community!

Why try Cricket?

- Sessions led by a **female ECB Core Coach and current County player**
- Teams for **hardball and softball cricket**
- 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!




Get in touch


Email: shifnalgirlsccricket@gmail.com
 Phone: 07341 250889
 Follow us:  

**Come and give it a go –
your cricket journey starts here!**

Shifnal Cricket Club
The Cricket Pavilion, Priorslee Road,
Shifnal, Shropshire TF11 8HD








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,
SY11 1JN



HAVE YOUR SAY!
Scan the QR code to suggest topics and activities for future drop-in sessions.

Contact Us

IDSALL SCHOOL

"Great oaks from little acorns grow"

Part of MARCHES ACADEMY TRUST



[LINK : Home - Idsall School](#)



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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