

IDSALL NEWS …. edition 79

6 November 2026

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- Tue 10th Nov : Year 9 & 11 Individual School Photos
- Wed 11th Nov : Remembrance 2026 Service
- Wed 11th Nov : Ski Trip Meeting 5.30pm
- Fri 13th Nov : Big Sleep Out - Birmingham
- Mon 16th Nov : Flu Vaccinations
- W/C Mon 16th Nov : SchoolRox KS3
- Thu 19th Nov : Sixth Form Open Evening
- Wed 2nd Dec : Vegan Aid
- Mon 21st Dec to Fri 1st Jan : Christmas Holidays
- Mon 4th Jan : Back to School

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Michelle King - Headteacher



Dear Parents, Carers and Students

I hope everyone had a restful and enjoyable half-term break. It is wonderful to welcome our students and staff back for another busy and exciting half term.

Over the half-term holiday, some of our students had the opportunity to take part in an amazing, once-in-a-lifetime trip to Las Vegas. Alongside many other incredible sights and experiences, students visited the spectacular Grand Canyon. It was a fantastic opportunity and one that I am sure they will remember for many years to come. A huge thank you to the staff who gave up their half-term break to make this experience possible.

As we return, our focus is firmly on learning and making every lesson count. We want every student to build on the progress they made before the break and approach this half term with ambition, enthusiasm and a determination to do their very best. Good attendance, punctuality, completing homework and making the most of every learning opportunity all make a real difference.

Across the school, we will continue to maintain high expectations for learning, behaviour and effort, while ensuring students receive the support and encouragement they need to succeed. Thank you, as always, to our parents and carers for your continued support.

We look forward to another positive and successful half term.

Year 7 News



Year 7 Challenge

This week marked the launch of our **Year 7 Christmas Community Challenge**.

We are delighted to announce that the **Christmas Champions** for each tutor group have now been nominated and are listed below.

Over the coming week, we will be sharing the exciting community projects and activities that each tutor group has chosen to support as part of their Christmas Community Challenge. We look forward to seeing the positive impact our Year 7 students will make within the local community this festive season.

***DON'T FORGET** : there are **prizes** for the **Best Christmas Champion** and the **Best Team**!!!!!!!!!!*

CHRISTMAS CHAMPIONS		
7AWI	Ria	Miles
7SLL	Verity	Izzy
7AFO	Ivy	Mia
7AFI	Sofia	Imogen
7DBR	Olivia	Jackson
7HBE	Bella	Crawford
7WCR	Finlay	Parker
7JHO	Harry	Daisy

Year 7 Inter-Form Football Competition

A new round of fixtures is set to begin in our Year 7 Inter-Form Football Competition.

With several exciting matches already completed, tutor groups will continue to compete for valuable points as we move towards crowning this year's champions at the end of the term. The

overall winners will be determined based on the results of all fixtures played throughout the competition.

Matches will take place on the Blue Court during lunchtime on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

The fixture schedule for next week and beyond is listed below. We wish all teams the very best of luck and look forward to some competitive and enjoyable football over the coming weeks! ⚽🏆

PITCH 1		
7AFO	vs	7HBE
7AFI	vs	7JHO
7WCR	vs	7DBR
7AFI	vs	7HBE
7SLL	vs	7AWI
7AFI	vs	7DBR
7JHO	vs	7AFO
7AFI	vs	7AWI
7HBE	vs	7WCR
7AFI	vs	7AFO
7DBR	vs	7SLL

PITCH 2		
7AWI	vs	7DBR
7SLL	vs	7HBE
7AFO	vs	7AWI
7JHO	vs	7DBR
7WCR	vs	7AF0
7HBE	vs	7AWI
7SLL	vs	7WCR
7DBR	vs	7AFO
7JHO	vs	7SLL
7AWI	vs	7WCR
7HBE	vs	7JHO

Year 10 News

Blue Peter Appearance

A very exciting opportunity came Veer's way when he was invited to take part in the much-loved BBC children's programme, Blue Peter, as part of its special Diwali feature.

Veer was invited to showcase his musical talent as the dhol player, accompanying a group of bhangra dancers in a vibrant celebration of Diwali. His energetic dhol playing helped bring the performance to life, adding rhythm, excitement and a wonderful celebration of Punjabi culture.

It was a fantastic opportunity for Veer to share his talent on a national television programme and be part of a special feature celebrating the festival of lights!

Tune in tonight as the show will be aired at 5.00pm on the CBBC Channel!

Wolves Foundation Story

Leon W, year 10 is one of the students that is part of the Wolves Disability FC, so last weekend it was almost straight off the plane from the Las Vegas trip to the football pitch at Molineaux for him!

The great news was that it was 1-0 to the Wolves! **Well done to Leon and the Team!**

Please do read below and follow the link to learn more about the fabulous work of the Wolves Disability FC!




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The Story of Wolves Disability FC

With the help of Alexion, proud partners of Wolves Foundation, we tell the full story of Wolves Disability FC and the players and stories behind the badge. We hear from Harry and his mum, who explains the difference being a part of Wolves Disability FC has made, and the confidence the programme can bring to individuals who need support. Cameron talks about his fight with cancer and the impossible decision he had to make in his teens, and the family atmosphere he's found within Wolves Disability. Thanks to Alexion, Wolves Disability FC were given the opportunity to watch a training session, meet the first-team squad and have their shirts signed by the players on a day to remember. The squad will be in action at Molineux this weekend, taking part in the annual Wolves Foundation half-time game.

Year 11 News



6th Form Open Evening

On **Thursday 19th November**, our **Sixth Form** will be opening its doors to all **Year 11 students** from both **Idsall School** and the wider local area for our annual **Open Evening**, taking place between **4.00pm and 7.00pm**.

This event provides an excellent opportunity for students to explore the fantastic opportunities that Idsall has to offer at **Post-16**. Year 11 students will be able to familiarise themselves with the Sixth Form area, meet teachers, ask questions, tour the facilities, and hear from staff and students about life in our Sixth Form.

We are incredibly proud of our Post-16 provision and encourage all Year 11 students to consider the wide range of opportunities available at Idsall before looking elsewhere.

Further information will be shared next week, including a map of the venue and details of where subjects will be located on the evening.

If students or parents have any questions about the event, please feel free to contact the school via email. Alternatively, students are welcome to visit the Sixth Form and speak with **Mrs McMahon** or **Mrs Case**.

We look forward to welcoming you on the evening!

Open

Learning without limits

Applications Now Open!

Applications for September 2027 are now open on our school website. The QR code below will take you straight to the online form.

OTHER IDSALL NEWS

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* High School Musical Jr Auditions!

AUDITIONS

The Performing Arts department are delighted to announce that this year's school production is, **High School Musical Jr!**

An email was sent to all pupils and parents/guardians with the audition pack attached earlier this week. It is essential that students **read all of the information carefully** before deciding to audition. The pack contains details about the audition process, audition songs, scripts, rehearsal expectations and important dates.

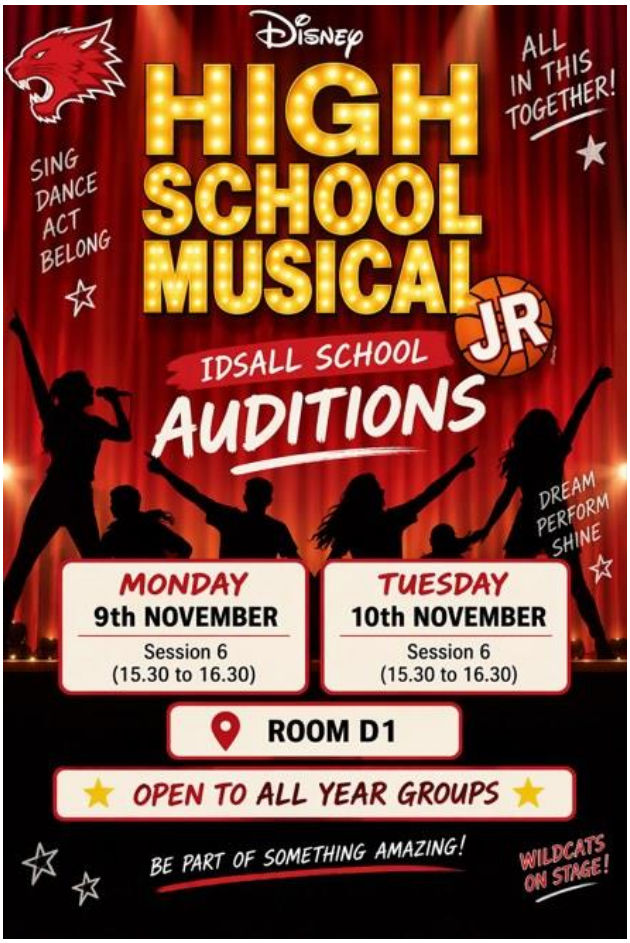
Auditions

Auditions will take place during Session 6 (15:35 - 16:35) on:

- Monday 9th November
- Tuesday 10th November

Pupils will only need to attend **one** of these sessions. Auditions will take place in D1 with Mrs Creighton and Mr Austin. Please note that we welcome auditions from pupils in all year groups.

We hope to see as many students as possible there!



Credits Sheet

Under the terms and conditions of your organisation's Performance Agreement the following credits must appear on all posters, leaflets, programmes and foyer displays relating to the production. They must also appear on all online advertising relating to the production.

[Name of Licensee]
Production of

Disney HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL JR

Book by
David Simpatico

Based on a Disney Channel Original Movie Written by
Peter Barsocchini

Songs by
Matthew Gerrard & Robbie Nevil
Ray Cham, Greg Cham & Andrew Seeley
Randy Petersen & Kevin Quinn
Andy Dodd & Adam Watts
Bryan Louiselle
David N. Lawrence & Faye Greenberg
Jamie Houston

Music Adapted, Arranged and Produced by
Bryan Louiselle

This amateur production is presented by arrangement with
Music Theatre International
All authorised performance materials are also supplied by MTI
www.mtishows.co.uk

The billing to you must be in the form specified above, including the words "Production of" below your billing, which shall be visually contiguous with the title, all so that the audience is informed that you are the producer. Your billing shall be no less than 50% of the size of the logo or artwork title, as measured by the proportion of the average size of your name to the largest letter in the logo or artwork title. In no event may you duplicate the tour logo or title nor the logo and title from the Disney Channel original movie "High School Musical."

MUSIC THEATRE INTERNATIONAL

12 – 14 Mortimer Street, London, W1T 3JJ, United Kingdom
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Audition Pack Main Cast

HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL JR.

When are the auditions?

Auditions will take place during session six on Monday 9th and Tuesday 10th November. You only need to attend one of these dates.

Auditions will take place in D1 with Mrs Creighton and Mr Austin

What do I have to do?

1. Read the information in this pack carefully!
2. Practice the music and scripts in this packet.
3. Turn up for an audition.
4. Have fun and try out!

Audition Information

Audition Procedure

During the audition, you must:

- Sing ONE of the solos listed for either male and female singers. You will audition with a backing track so you can use Youtube or an alternative music platform to prepare.
- Act out one of the scenes included in this pack. You do not need to memorize the script, but you should be prepared to act as any of the speaking characters on those pages.
- Be prepared to audition in front of others- these will be your castmates and we need to know you are able to perform in front of others.

Frequently Asked Audition Questions

Do I have to have to sing in my audition? What if I just want a speaking role?

Every role in High School Musical Jr will have to at least sing and dance with the ensemble/chorus.

Can I be a member stage crew if I don't make the show?

Absolutely! If you don't make the performing cast, you'll be automatically considered for the stage crew. Alternatively, you can sign up with Mrs Creighton if you don't want to audition.

Can I be part of the ensemble/chorus if I don't get a main role?

Yes! There are no auditions for the chorus, just sign up with Mrs Creighton! However, you must be prepared to also sing, dance and act.

When will rehearsals be?

Every Monday and Tuesday during session 6 in D1 (15:30-16:30). Singing rehearsals will take place during one lunchtime a week in Studio A with Mr Austin (day to be confirmed). There will be rehearsal schedules posted by D1 and Music following the cast announcements.

When will the cast be announced?

Announcements will be made the week commencing 16th November. These will be displayed by D1 and Music- so make sure to check regularly!

What if I cannot attend rehearsals?

Absence from rehearsals because you have not been in school that day or because of a medical appointment will be permitted- however, where possible, please inform Mrs Creighton in advance because this might impact the schedule.

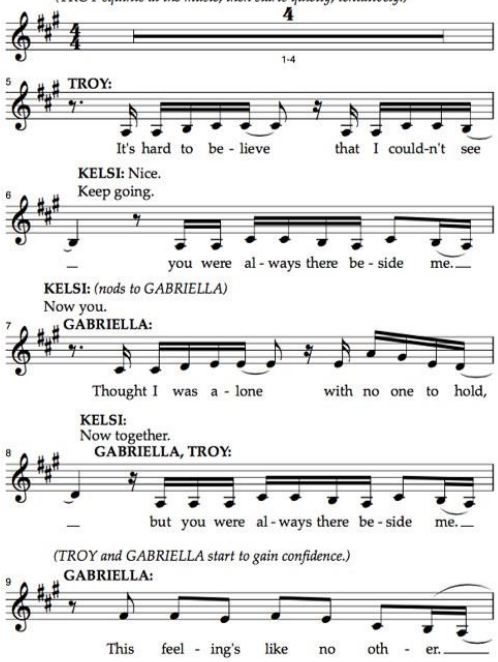
We operate a strict 3 strikes policy: If you fail to attend 3 rehearsals without informing a member of staff but you have been present in school for the whole day, your role will be recast.

The school show is a big commitment with rehearsals taking place until our show in July- please consider this before choosing to audition.
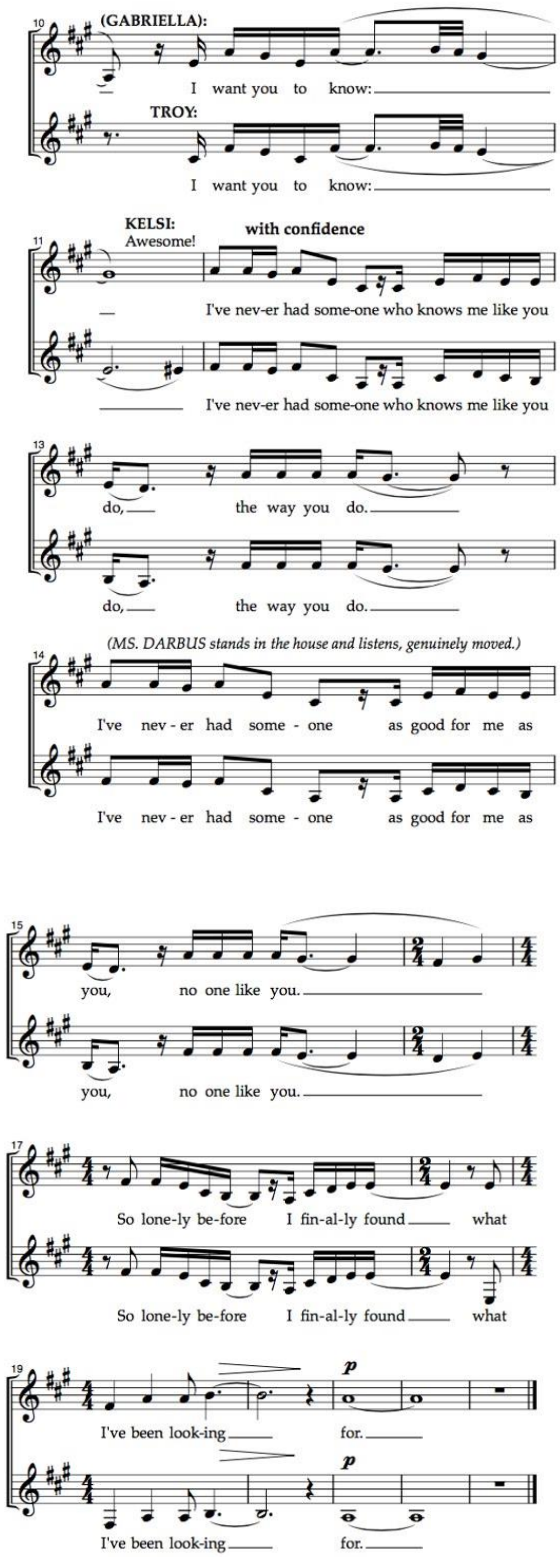
Female audition song

What I've Been Looking For (Reprise)

TROY: Wow, that's really nice.
KELSI: Go ahead, you first.
(TROY squints at the music, then starts quietly, tentatively.)
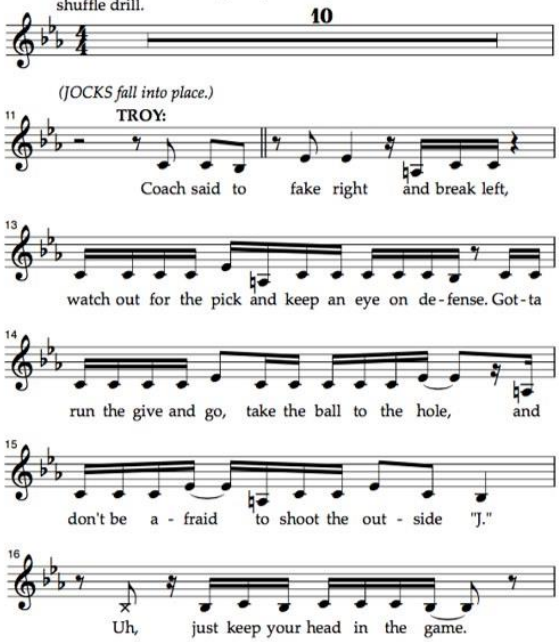


(TROY and GABRIELLA start to gain confidence.)
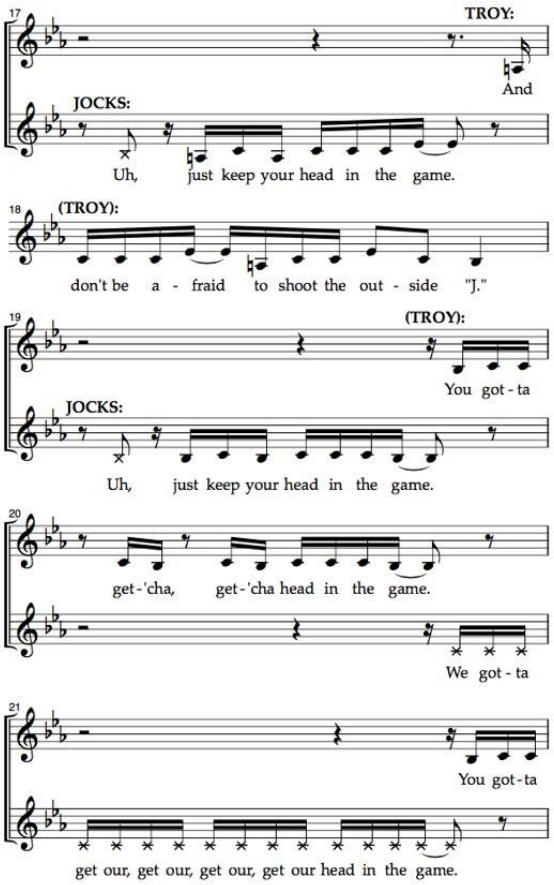

10
(GABRIELLA):
I want you to know:
TROY:
I want you to know:
11
KELSI:
Awesome!
with confidence
I've nev-er had some-one who knows me like you
I've nev-er had some-one who knows me like you
13
do, the way you do.
do, the way you do.
(MS. DARBUS stands in the house and listens, genuinely moved.)
14
I've nev - er had some - one as good for me as
I've nev - er had some - one as good for me as
15
you, no one like you.
you, no one like you.
17
So lone-ly be-fore I fin-al-ly found what
So lone-ly be-fore I fin-al-ly found what
19
p
I've been look-ing for.
p
I've been look-ing for.

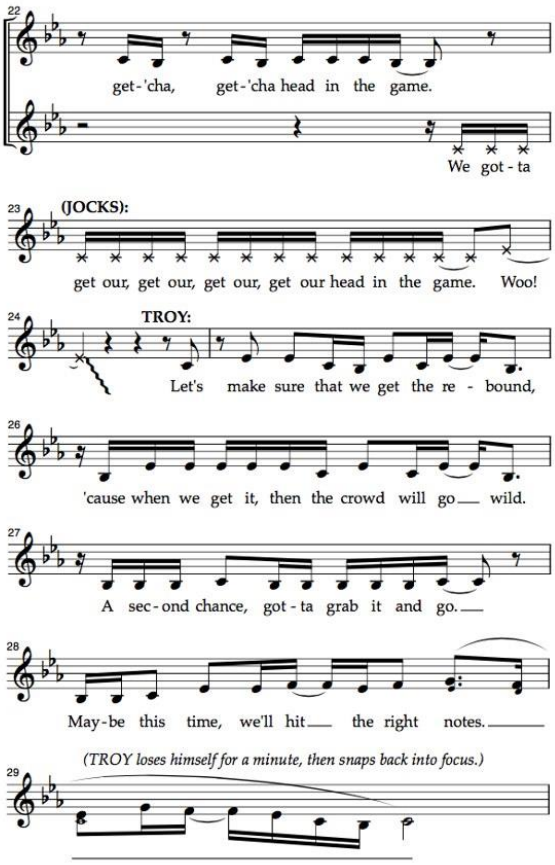
Male audition song

Get'cha Head in the Game

(COACH BOLTON enters with JOCKS.)
COACH BOLTON: ... and remember, the chain is only as strong as its weakest link. When the going gets tough—
JOCKS: —the tough get goin'!
COACH BOLTON: Okay, team, let me see some hustle!
(COACH BOLTON blows his whistle. JOCKS run drills. TROY runs in.)
TROY: Sorry I'm late, Coach!
COACH BOLTON: You're the team captain, Bolton. Get your head in the game!
CHAD: *(to TROY)* Man, your dad's tough.
TROY: *(to JOCKS, taking charge)* All right, let's kick it in. Run the shuffle drill.




17
TROY:
And
JOCKS:
Uh, just keep your head in the game.
18
(TROY):
don't be a - fraid to shoot the out - side "J."
19
(TROY):
You got - ta
JOCKS:
Uh, just keep your head in the game.
20
get - 'cha, get - 'cha head in the game.
We got - ta
21
You got - ta
get our, get our, get our, get our head in the game.



Audition Script:
Scene #1

GABRIELLA

How crazy was that?!? Wow, so this is your private hideout?

TROY

Thanks to the Horticulture Club. I come up here when I want to be alone.

GABRIELLA

Must be tricky being the coach's son.

TROY

He's gonna freak when he hears about the singing thing.

GABRIELLA

You're worried?

TROY

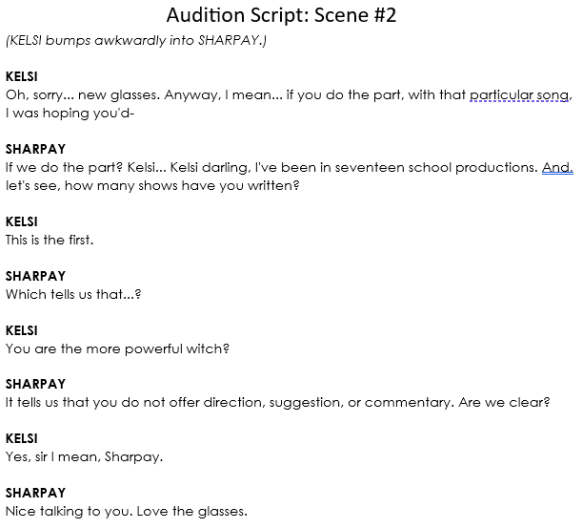
Sometimes I don't want to be "the basketball guy." I just want to be, you know, me.

GABRIELLA

I know what you mean. At my other schools I was always "the freaky math girl." I hated it.

TROY

But you can't let people stop you from doing what you want to do, right?



Audition Script: Scene #2

(KELSI bumps awkwardly into SHARPAY.)

KELSI
Oh, sorry... new glasses. Anyway, I mean... if you do the part, with that particular song, I was hoping you'd-

SHARPAY
If we do the part? Kelsi... Kelsi darling, I've been in seventeen school productions. And, let's see, how many shows have you written?

KELSI
This is the first.

SHARPAY
Which tells us that...?

KELSI
You are the more powerful witch?

SHARPAY
It tells us that you do not offer direction, suggestion, or commentary. Are we clear?

KELSI
Yes, sir I mean, Sharpay.

SHARPAY
Nice talking to you. Love the glasses.

* SchoolRox

This Autumn Idsall School will be raising money for Hope House Children's Hospices.

During the ***week beginning Monday 16th November***, students in KS3 will be participating in SchoolRox. It's a HYROX-style school fundraiser where students will take on a series of fun, fitness-based challenges, test their limits and see what they can achieve! Furthermore, it will form part of the house competition programme within the departments fitness curriculum.

It is all part of the charity's 'Quality Moments Matter' campaign where Hope House are aiming to raise £500,000 during 36 hours between 22nd - 23rd November. The money raised will help fund specialist therapy and activities needed to ensure the children supported have the best possible quality of life, together with their families.

We would like all students to embrace the challenge and get involved in fundraising. We have set a **school target of £2,500** and would encourage students to aim to raise a minimum of **£5** in sponsorship if possible. All money that the school raises before the 23rd November for this event will be **DOUBLED**! Every pound raised will help Hope House Children's Hospices provide vital care and support to local children with life-threatening conditions and their families.

There will also be an opportunity for students in Sixth Form to participate during their enrichment session that week or on one of the sessions afterschool. All selected year groups will find out more about this within team time next week where details of the challenge and

timetable will be shared. There is even going to be an opportunity for staff to compete in the event afterschool.

To support this excellent cause and help us reach our target please use the URL link to donate.

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https://www.justgiving.com/page/idsalldoschoolrox26?utm_medium=FA&utm_source=CL .

Cheer on your individual, tutor group, year group or member of staff!

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* Las Vegas Educational Visit

WOW!

The Las Vegas trip was an amazing experience for all the staff and students involved.

During their visit, they explored some of the most spectacular sights in the United States, including Death Valley, Lake Mead, Hoover Dam, and the Grand Canyon where they all braved The Skywalk at Eagle Point!

They also enjoyed the excitement of Las Vegas, visiting some of its world-famous hotels, watching the iconic Bellagio Fountains, and sharing a memorable meal inside the medieval-themed Excalibur Hotel.

The trip provided students with unforgettable experiences and memories that will last a lifetime.

Below are just a few of the photos that were taken.

For those students that attended an email with the link to all the photos has been sent out. This link will remain open for the next 4 days.

A Message from Mrs Green :

Thank you to all the parents and carers for your support throughout the organisation of the trip. Your encouragement, cooperation, and trust played a vital role in making the experience such a success.

To the staff, thank you for giving up part of your half-term break to support the trip and help ensure that our students had an unforgettable experience.

Finally, thank you to the students, who were truly exceptional throughout. Their attitude, enthusiasm, and conduct were outstanding, and they consistently upheld the high expectations and values of our school. They were a credit to themselves, their families, and the school community.

Thank you once again for your support in making the geography trip to Las Vegas such a memorable and rewarding experience for everyone involved.








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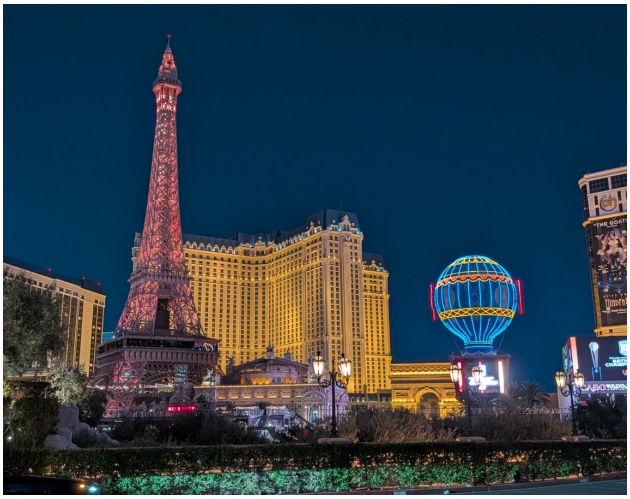




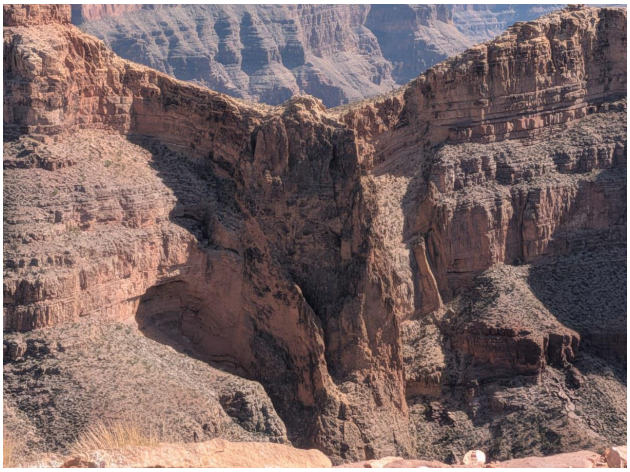












* Big Birmingham Sleep Out

On Friday 13th November 2026, a fantastic group of Idsall School Sixth Form students and staff will be swapping their beds for sleeping bags as we take part in St Basil's Big Birmingham Sleep Out.

We are doing this to raise vital funds to support young people facing homelessness.

It will be a cold and challenging night, but it is for an incredibly important cause. We would love the support of our whole Idsall community in helping us raise as much as possible.

Please sponsor us if you can. Every donation, no matter how big or small, will make a difference.

Thank you for getting behind our Sixth Form students and staff!

https://www.justgiving.com/page/idsallbigsleepoutnov2026?utm_medium=FA&utm_source=CL



* Sports House Captains and Vice Captains 2026-27

A massive congratulations to all of the students who have been selected as Sports House Captains and Vice Captains for the 2026-27 academic year.

These students have demonstrated excellent commitment, leadership, enthusiasm, and dedication to school sport, and we are confident they will be fantastic ambassadors for their houses throughout the year.

Please make sure you view both tables below. The first table lists the House Captains, while the second table shows the Vice Captains.

We look forward to seeing the positive impact these students will have as they lead their teams in competitions, events, and house activities throughout the year.

Well done to everyone who was selected, and thank you for your willingness to support and inspire others in our school community.

If you are interested in filling any of the spaces please see Mr Goodison in the PE Dept!

Captains

	Girls Captains				Boys Captains			
	Long Mynd	Caradoc	Wrekin	Ragleth	Long Mynd	Caradoc	Wrekin	Ragleth
Y7	Dolly Byran		Olivia-Mai Hart Georgia Bailey	Gracie Mancini		Flyn Fitzpatrick	Alfie Tappenden & Freddie Cole	
Y8	Thea Blaney	Sofia Anderson			Harley Jones			Tommy Box
Y9	Lucy Stokes	Maisie Price	Isla Farr	Lily Porter		Cayden Barton		Otto Shepherd
Y10		Isobelle Oxley-Siddle				Leo Underwood		Josh Langford
Y11		Ellie Dowell	Grace Collins		Jacob H Smith	Pritham Riar	Nathan K Adams	

Vice Captains

	Girls Vice Captains				Boys Vice Captains			
	Long Mynd	Caradoc	Wrekin	Ragleth	Long Mynd	Caradoc	Wrekin	Ragleth
Y7				Shahna Sultani & Faith Mancini			Drew Hodgkisson	
Y8	Sophie Cartwright	Hettie R Smith			Thomas Bell			
Y9								Sam Huckin & Ralphie Manderson
Y11						Praneeth Kamili		

* Ski Trip 2027 Meeting

Ski Les Deux Alpes April 27

For all ski trip attendees there is a student and parent meeting next week in the Main Hall on

Wednesday 11th November from 5.30 till 6.15 approx

- We will hear from Jade from Equity, our tour company.
- We will have Steve from Sub 32 clothing and Ski Equipment Hire (as an option). Sub 32 : Ski Clothing Hire
- You will receive info about flights, equipment and the resort.
- There will be time to ask any questions you may have.

Please remember passports should be brought in on the evening.

Passports will then be kept onsite in our safe until departure. (We need this information for flight and insurance passenger information). If you have a trip between then and our departure: please let us know and we will take a photocopy until you can return it to us.

Please note any outstanding balances will need to be paid before the end of January 2027. Mr Goodison will be emailing any student who has a significant balance deficit, we are aware that when we changed to Arbor pay last year there were a few issues that have affected your ability to make some payments. If you are aware that Arbor pay has not allowed you to make any further payments or you are having any further difficulty please let Rob Hughes know at Rob.hughes@ids.mmat.co.uk

I look forward to seeing you all next week.

Mr P Goodison (Director of Sport and Trip lead)



* Disneyland Paris 2027

Please remember the 2nd Payment of £230 for the Disney Paris 2027 Trip is due by 13th November, 2026 via Parent Pay.

Also, for all those that have been successful can you please start thinking about applying for passports, if applicable, and the GHIC card (free of charge on the NHS Website) Applying for healthcare cover abroad (GHIC and EHIC) - NHS - please follow this link.

If you have any further questions regarding this trip, please email : cathy.leverington@ids.mmat.co.uk



* Attendance at Idsall

Everyday Counts at Idsall School!

Regular attendance helps students achieve their full potential, build friendships, and make the most of every opportunity school has to offer.

Our expectation is **95%+ attendance**, helping every young person thrive academically and personally.

If your child is feeling slightly under the weather, many common ailments such as mild coughs, sore throats and headaches do not always mean they need to stay at home. As always, if you're unsure, please contact the school for advice

Together, we can make everyday count



* Year 11 and Year 13 Revision Support

With exams fast approaching, we're delighted to offer a range of revision sessions to support our Year 11 and Year 13 students in achieving their very best.

✅ Subject-specific revision classes

✅ Expert support from teaching staff

✅ Exam preparation and revision strategies

Please see the timetable below for details of the sessions currently available.

Every revision session is another step towards success!

In addition to the ones listed below students can also go along to Monday Maths both A & B Weeks in Bay 10. The topic being delivered in each session will be shared in the Bay rooms each week so students can sign up!

Year 11 Revision Timeable		
Week A		
	Lunchtime	**Afterschool**
Monday		GCSE PE BTEC PE French – Location: L1
Tuesday		Art – Location: A2 Geography – Location: G1/G2/G3 RE – Location: L1
Wednesday		Business – Location: B3 and B7 History – Location: H huts
Thursday		
Friday	Drama - Location: D1	
Week B		
	Lunchtime	**Afterschool**
Monday		GCSE PE BTEC PE French – Location: L1
Tuesday		Art – Location: A2 Geography – Location: G1/G2/G3 RE – Location: L1
Wednesday		Business – Location: B3 and B7 History – Location: H huts
Thursday		
Friday	Drama - Location: D1	

Year 13 Revision Timeable		
Week A		
	Lunchtime	**Afterschool**
Monday		Geography – Location: G2
Tuesday		Art – Location: A2
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Week B		
	Lunchtime	**Afterschool**
Monday		Geography – Location: G2
Tuesday		Art – Location: A2
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* LGBTQ+ Student Support Group Launch

We are delighted to share that our first LGBTQ+ Support Group took place on 5th November and was a great success, with 17 students attending.

The group provides a safe, secure and inclusive space where students can meet, talk with others, share experiences and access support in a welcoming environment. The sessions are supported by our fantastic Sixth Form student leaders, who help create a positive and supportive atmosphere for all members.

It was wonderful to see so many students engage positively in the group, and we look forward to seeing it continue to grow over the coming weeks. The support group is part of our ongoing commitment to ensuring all students feel valued, respected and able to thrive within our school community.

A huge thank you to everyone involved in making the first session such a success. We look forward to welcoming both returning and new members in future meetings!

The group meets every Thursday lunchtime in C1

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* From the PE Department



KS2 Netball & Basketball Festival

On Wednesday 4th November, 24 Idsall Sports Leaders alongside staff from TrustEd Sports Alliance hosted the KS2 Netball and Basketball Festival to focus on developing skills and knowledge of each sport.

Children from St Andrews, Shifnal and Sheriffhales Primary school participated in a carousel of 4 stations and then conditioned game play for both sports.

It was a fantastic event where children from all schools worked well together and demonstrated the values of passion, determination and teamwork spectacularly.

The sports leaders continue to model the way and worked in groups to deliver short intervals of skills practice as well as umpire and referee game play.

A special mention this week goes out to Tom in Year 10 for giving up his birthday evening and celebrations to lead at the event!













8-0 Victory for U13's

Our U13 girls travelled to Holy Trinity for the first round of the District Cup and put in an absolutely brilliant performance!

Fantastic football, outstanding teamwork and plenty of goals saw the girls secure an impressive **8-0 victory** to book their place in the next round! 🔥

So proud of the whole team - what a performance! 💚

Goals from

⚽Thea B x4

⚽Isla M

⚽Gracie M

⚽Maddie S

⚽Darcy A



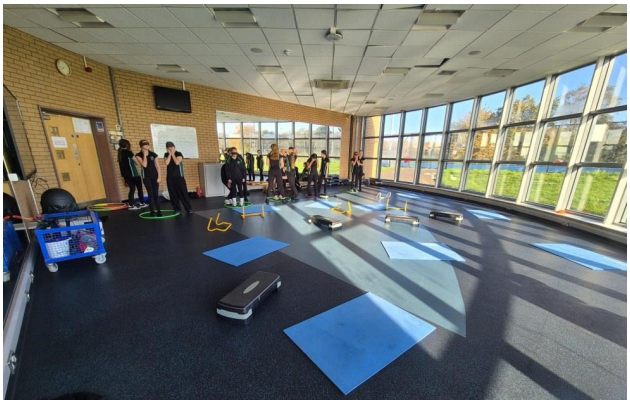


Year 8 Girls Develop Teamwork Through Outdoor Adventure Challenges

This week in PE, our Year 8 girls took part in an exciting Outdoor Adventurous Activities (OAA) lesson, focusing on the importance of communication and teamwork.

During a competitive retrieval challenge, students had to work together to outwit other teams by giving clear instructions, listening carefully to one another, and developing effective strategies. The activity encouraged the girls to think critically about how they communicate and collaborate, with success relying on teamwork rather than individual performance.

As the OAA unit continues, students will tackle a range of problem-solving challenges designed to build confidence, leadership, resilience, and the ability to work effectively with others, all while having fun and embracing new adventures.



* 4 All Foundation

The Marches School Trust 4 All Foundation Charity are hosting a couple of events in the run up to Christmas to support and raise money for their fantastic and well deserving charity.

4 All supports thousands of people across Shropshire, Telford & Wrekin and the surrounding areas, offering a range of programmes and activities which promote community engagement, sports participation, health and wellbeing, and education and employability.

So if you fancy a go at Wreath Making or enjoy an evening of Carols then take a look and go along!


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* Safeguarding



Online harm groups (you may have heard these called ‘Com Groups’, short for community) are groups of people who use online spaces to manipulate, control, threaten or exploit others.

They often operate through messaging apps, gaming communities, channels or servers.

Group members aim to gain status and reputation by posting evidence to the rest of the group of how they can manipulate and cause harm to others; competing to see who can cause the most harm or humiliation. Their activity is often illegal and may include coercing young people to do things such as:

- injuring themselves or others
- sharing nude or sexual images of themselves
- causing injury to siblings or pets
- doing sexual things
- recording or livestreaming these things

Both those targeted and those committing offences are mostly under 18.

It can be difficult to spot when building friendships or relationships online turns into something harmful. These chats may be no different at first, seeming fun, friendly and supportive.

Online harm groups often start by building trust, making the person feel safe before starting to pressure and then force them to harm themselves or others.

It is never a young person’s fault if a friendship or relationship they have built online turns out to be someone seeking to harm them.

At first this may look like:

Making contact

- Starting a chat
- Talking about shared interests, games or experiences
- Asking you to join a channel or server

Building trust

- Chatting often
- Giving compliments, emotional support, or special attention

This may then turn in to:

Getting information or material

- Asking for personal details
- Encouraging nude or sexual image sharing
- Pressuring you to harm yourself or others and recording it
- Learning about your worries, secrets, friendships, or family life
- Asking you to keep chats, images or videos you've shared secret from others

Blackmail and threats

- Using gathered information, images or recordings as pressure
- Demanding that you send more images or videos of sexual or harmful acts
- Asking you to do increasingly harmful things to yourself or others
- Making you feel afraid of what might happen if you don't do what you're asked

Please see the CEOP website here for more information and to access support: Guidance for 11-18 year olds on online harm groups

* What's On In The Local Area



RAF Family Support



Aladdin!

We have been asked by Kia, Social Media Coordinator for **Mystical Productions Events Ltd** to announce that this November, they are delighted to be bringing the magical family pantomime **Aladdin** to **Shifnal Village Hall** for a weekend of fun, laughter and entertainment. Packed with comedy, music, colourful costumes, audience participation and plenty of pantomime magic, it's the perfect family outing for all ages and a wonderful opportunity to enjoy live theatre right here in the heart of our local community.

As a local production company, they are passionate about bringing high-quality, affordable entertainment to Shifnal and the surrounding areas.

This year's production is also proudly supporting **Promise Dreams**, with funds raised helping the charity continue its incredible work making dreams come true for seriously and terminally ill children.

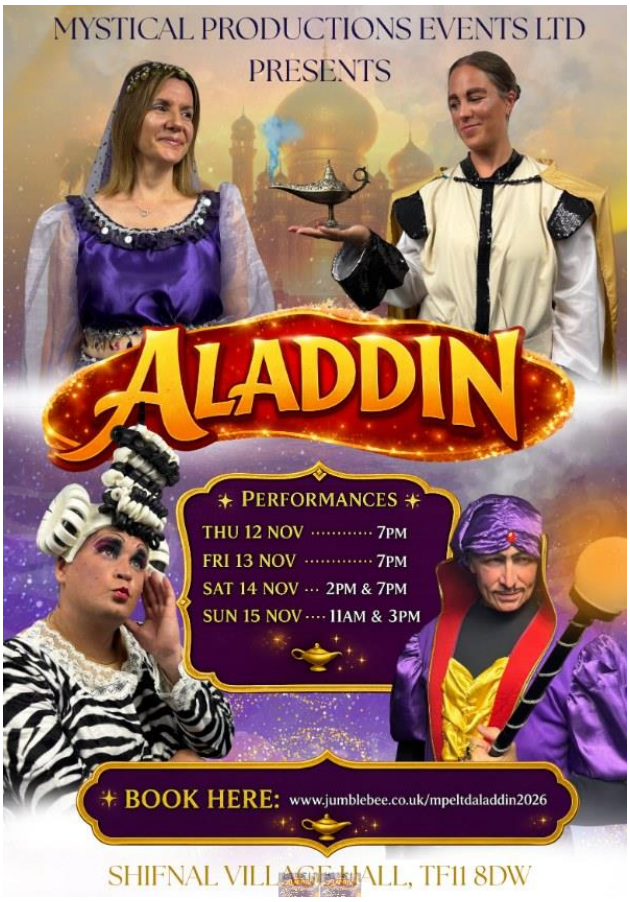
Performance Dates & Times

- **Thursday 12th November 2026** – 7:00pm (Opening Night)

- **Friday 13th November 2026** – 7:00pm (Press Night)
- **Saturday 14th November 2026** – 2:00pm & 7:00pm
- **Sunday 15th November 2026** – 11:00am & 3:00pm

Venue : Shifnal Village Hall, Aston Street, Shifnal, TF11 8DW

Tickets : Book online at: www.jumblebee.co.uk/mpeltdaladdin2026



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