# **Weekly Information Bulletin**

## Friday 16th May 2025



### **Downs Syndrome Swimming Championships**

We are so proud of Hannah in sixth form who achieved a gold medal at the GB Downs Syndrome Championships!

The other races she competed in were:

- 25m breaststroke- came 5th
- 25m backstroke came 10th
- 100m freestyle- came 18th
- 50m freestyle- came 21st

She did brilliantly and got Personal Bests in all her races. Well done Hannah!



### **Banksy Class**

Students in Banksy Class continue to enjoy their weekly shopping trips to Cowley Centre. These experiences provide the students with real life opportunities to practise essential life skills including: navigational skills as they learn to safely cross roads, money handling and budgeting skills when they are making transactions in the shops, decision making and planning skills as they compare prices and choose items as well as developing very important social interaction skills. The students are very excited to extend these learning opportunities further when they start to develop skills and confidence to use public transport safely during the upcoming weeks!



## Navigating the Future event at Mabel Prichard School

We would love to invite you to our Navigating the Future event on 26th June on the Mabel Prichard secondary site at 3.30pm-6.30pm.

This event will be well attended by a range of adult services/organisations that young people can access into their futures.

They are hoping that at least thirty stalls from a range of organisations including SEND leisure activities, day centres, therapists, FE providers, supported living and employment will be present at the event.

Rosie's Café will be open and there will be free food.



Dates for your diary				
Friday 23rd May 2025	End of Term			
Monday 2nd June 2025	Start of Term			
Saturday 28th June 2025	Family Fun Day - 11.00am - 2.00pm			
Friday 18th July 2025	End of Term Three			



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#### **Communication with Parents/Carers**

Communication with parents/carers is important to ensure children make the best progress possible and feel safe and happy in school. We therefore thought it would be helpful to share information on who to contact. Below is a list of of helpful contact information:

If you wish to make contact with your **child's class teacher** please contact them directly via email (this is normally shared at the start of each academic year) or contact reception to arrange a phone call. The type of communication this normally includes is: updating the teacher on something important from the evening or weekend; sharing a concern you may have about a peer interaction or aspect of learning; news you may want to share; or enquiring about what your child is currently learning in class. Reception will be able to share the email address of the class teacher if you do not have this.

Iffley Academy currently sends a **weekly information bulletin every Friday**. This bulletin contains important dates for the dairy, lunch menus, school news and other useful information for parents/carers. This information can also be found on our website.

When there are trips and activities for individual students or a class, parental consent forms are sent to you via email. We currently use google forms to gain parent/carer permission. These are required for all offsite trips and visits.

To ensure that there is a clear emphasis on **safeguarding within the school**, we have a Safeguarding Team and there is always a trained member of staff (DSL) on site available to deal with safeguarding concerns. **If** you have an immediate safeguarding concern, please contact reception who will be able to put you in touch with the relevant staff member.

If you wish to discuss your **child's medical needs**, please contact reception who will arrange for our medical coordinator to contact you. If your child needs to take medication during the school day please complete a **Permission to Administer Medication Form**, which can be found on our website. Please note we do not have any school nurses on site. Our medical coordinator ensures processes are in place for medication to be taken, under the advice of medical professionals.

We have a pastoral team at Iffley Academy who deliver pastoral and therapeutic support to pupils who prepare our young people emotionally and physically to engage with teaching and learning. If you wish to discuss your child's attendance or pastoral needs, please ring reception and we will arrange for the Therapeutic Team Lead to contact you.

If you would like to discuss your child's **home to school transport please contact the SEN transport team** on 01865 323795. The transport team is directly responsible for your child's home to school transport.

We understand that there will be times when students are absent from school due to illness, if your child will be absent from school then please contact the school reception on 01865 747606 before 9.00am on each day of their absence, alternatively you can leave a message on our absence line.

Our school reception is open from 8.00am to 4.00pm Monday to Thursday (3.00pm on a Friday). Please keep us up to date with contact details for parents/carers and other contacts.



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### Next terms menu

Please <u>click here</u> to view next terms lunch menu. This menu will run from April until the end of this academic year.

Lunch Menu Week Commencing 19th May 2025							
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		
Main Meal	Vegan sausage roll Df/V	Jerk Chicken Gf/Df	Roast Beef Gf/Df	Chicken curry Gf	Battered Cod		
Vegetarian		Plant based jerk Gf/Df/V	Roast Quorn Df/V	Vegetable curry Gf	Battered quorn		
Served With	Potato wedges  Baked beans  Gf/Df/V	Coconut Rice Gf/Df/V Peas Gf/Df/V	Roast Potatoes & Gravy Peas & Carrots Gf/Df/V	Rice Gf/DF Naan bread Df	Chips Peas Gf/Df/V		
Pudding	Victoria sponge cake	Chocolate cake & cream Gf	Jelly Gf/Df/V	Chocolate Tiffin	Shortbread Df / V		

There is a daily alternative of: Jacket Potato topped with either beans, cheese or tuna. Baguette/Sandwich filled with either cheese, ham or tuna.

#### **Term Dates**

Please click here to view our term dates for 2025-2026.

