

# Weekly Information Bulletin

## Friday 5th September 2025



### Welcome back

Welcome to our first weekly information bulletin, for our new students a bulletin will be sent to parents/carers every Friday with any updates, helpful information or news we wish to share.

We hope that you and your family have had a restful summer. It was lovely to welcome back students and to meet all our students who have recently joined the Iffley Academy. We hope everyone have enjoyed their first week back to school.

A reminder that we are closed for teacher training on Monday 15th September.

### Dates for your diary

Monday 15th September 2025	Teacher training - school closed to pupils
Tuesday 14th October 2025	Termly Outcome Plan Evening
Thursday 23rd October 2025	End of Term
Friday 24th October 2025	INSET Day
Monday 3rd November 2025	Start of Term
Friday 19th December 2025	End of Term One
Monday 5th January 2026	INSET day
Tuesday 6th January 2026	Start of Term Two
Friday 13th February 2026	End of Term
Monday 23rd February 2026	Start of Term
Friday 27th March 2026	End of Term Two
Monday 13th April 2026	Start of Term Three
Monday 4th May 2026	Bank Holiday
Friday 22nd May 2026	End of Term
Monday 1st June 2026	Start of Term
Thursday 16th July 2026	End of Term Three

### Lunch Menu Week Commencing 8th September

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Meal	Jacket Potato Gf Df V	Chicken fajitas Df V	Roast Beef Gf Df	Butter chicken Gf Df	Battered Cod
Vegetarian		Plant based fajitas Df V	Roast Quorn Df V	Sweet potato curry Gf Df V	Falafel
Served With	Vegetable chilli Gf Df V Or Beans, cheese or tuna	Potato wedges Tomato salsa Sweetcorn Gf Df V	Roast Potatoes & Gravy Peas & Carrots Gf Df V	Rice Gf Df V  Naan bread Df V	Chips  Peas Gf Df V
Pudding	Chocolate brownie Df	Oat biscuit Df V	Flapjack Gf Df V	Coconut sponge and custard	Jam doughnut

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

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## Photographer in school - Monday 29th September 2025

For information, we have booked for the school photographer to come into school on Monday 29th September. The photographer will be taking photos of students for internal use only and for the school to use for our Star of the Week lanyards.

Please note these are not the photos that are sent home for parents to purchase, these will be taken later in the academic year. Please contact reception if you require any further information.

## Term Dates

Please [click here](#) to view our term dates for 2025-2026.

## Lunch menu

Please [click here](#) to view our lunch menu which will run from September to December.

## Super 1s disability cricket

Super 1s disability cricket activity regularly takes place across Oxfordshire. All sessions are free, and all disabilities are welcome.

Weekly Super 1s activity takes place year round at the following hubs:

- Abingdon
- Bicester
- Oxford

For more information about the programme, and for the specific address and timing details about each hub session, please contact the Super 1s Development Officer: Richard Giles ([rgiles@oxoncb.com](mailto:rgiles@oxoncb.com)) or visit the [Oxford Cricket Website](#)

## Work experience

Part of our 6th form curriculum offer is to ensure pupils access weekly work experience opportunities. We believe this is really important as it prepares our students for life beyond school and teaches vital employability skills.

One of our pupils, Harry, recently completed a 2 year work experience opportunity at the Natural History Museum, as part of the welcome team. As a school we work alongside GLAM (Gardens, Libraries and Museums) across Oxfordshire who provide part of the curriculum for many classes across the school.

We are really pleased that this link has also offered work experience opportunities and are really proud to be able to share the following article with you about this successful partnership.

Please [click here](#) to view the article.

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## Uniform Reminder

This is a gentle reminder regarding school uniform, details can be found on our website with a link to order from PMG.: <https://iffleyacademy.co.uk/key-information/school-uniform/>

We believe school uniform is important in promoting positive attitudes, high standards and a sense of personal pride and belonging. With the exception of our sixth form students, we encourage all students to wear school uniform. We recognise that children with SEND may need additional flexibility and we will work with individual parents to ensure that we are meeting their needs.

The Iffley Academy uniform consists of:

- (•) purple sweatshirt with grey embroidery and/or grey sweatshirt with purple embroidery
- (•) grey polo shirt with purple embroidery
- (•) black skirt *(please ensure these are of an appropriate length)*
- (•) black shorts *(please ensure these are of an appropriate length)*
- (•) black tailored trousers or jogging bottoms *(without stripes or large logos)*
- (•) black shoes or trainers

Our school uniform is designed to support the sensory needs of our students. Health and safety is our top priority, therefore students should avoid wearing jewellery in school. The exception is single pierced ears with small studs, small watch/fitness tracker.

## Physical Interventions

We wanted you to know that there is new government guidance in place (from September 2025) about Physical Interventions. As part of this guidance, if a student is restricted from leaving a space, to ensure safety but no physical intervention is used, this is to be reported to parents/carers. We wanted to let you know about this change. As a school, we would report this through telephoning, as each party having the opportunity to discuss what took place and how we can further support is an important part of our Restorative Approach.

If you wish to discuss this further please ring reception to let them know and we can arrange a phone call.

This is a link to the full guidance:

[https://consult.education.gov.uk/behaviour-unit/revised-use-of-reasonable-force-guidance/supporting\\_documents/Use%20of%20reasonable%20force%20and%20other%20restrictive%20interventions%20guidance.pdf](https://consult.education.gov.uk/behaviour-unit/revised-use-of-reasonable-force-guidance/supporting_documents/Use%20of%20reasonable%20force%20and%20other%20restrictive%20interventions%20guidance.pdf)

## Circus Starr Tickets

We have been kindly given some free tickets for Circus Starr. Circus Starr is a circus with a purpose and is accessible and inclusive and fun. We have been given some tickets for Wednesday 24th September at 4.45pm and 7.00pm. This circus is being held at The Newman Rooms, The Catholic Chaplaincy, The Old Palace, Rose Place, Oxford, OX1 1RD. If you would like some tickets please contact the school reception on 01865 747606 and we will arrange for these tickets to be sent home with your child.

Tickets are limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis.