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BOOK MASTERMIND 2023

Written by East Anglian Daily Times

Ipswich High School Book Mastermind Winner

Katie has won the Regional Book Mastermind final for the second time with her knowledge of the book 'Devoted' by Jennifer Mathieu.

This year's competition was held at Stratford St Andrew, near Saxmundham. Seven pupils representing seven schools across Suffolk took part in the competition, with students coming from Sir John Leman, Ipswich High School, Pakefield, Debenham, Thomas Mills, Claydon and Farlingaye.

The pupils completed the first round by answering 25 questions in two and a half minutes on their chosen book, with a second round answering a variety of questions on general knowledge topics.

Winner Katie said: "I'm very happy about my win, I have read the book more times than I can count, I even read it twice in one day."



Zoe Lees, Librarian at Ipswich High School, said: "We are so proud of Katie and her achievement".

"Katie is a regular in our library as it is a very social space that encourages our pupils to have a true love for reading."

As a result of her win, Katie won £50 worth of book tokens, with the school receiving £200 for being the overall winner. All the schools involved said how much they enjoyed taking part and thanked Suffolk Book League for their sponsorship once again of the annual competition.



Whole School News

Time For Tri

For the second time, Ipswich High School hosted the ISA National Triathlon Championships on Friday 5th May. 23 pupils from the Prep School and 8 from the Senior School competed. After the success of last year's event, entry had to be closed early as we reached a max capacity of 210 competitors. A huge thank you must go to organiser, Emma Springham for her efforts in ensuring the event was yet again a roaring success, along with her extensive training sessions with our pupils.

Thank you to all the Staff and parent helpers who contributed to a great day.



Youth Results

Amelie 2nd

Samuel 2nd

Jonathan 3rd

Tri Star 3

Katie 11th

Tri Star 2 (Over 70 competitors)

Annabel Year 6 4th

Noah Year 7 7th

Idunn Year 7 8th

Anna Year 7 9th

Evelyn Year 6 10th

Scarlett Year 7 12th

Willow Year 5 13th

Stanley Year 5 14th

Molly Year 5 15th

Becca Year 5 18th

Brooke Year 6 21st

Felix Year 6 24th

Tri Star 1 (Over 70 competitors)

Darcy Year 4 3rd

Freya Year 4 8th

Emelia Year 4 10th

Albert Year 4 11th

Rasmus Year 3 12th

Connie Year 4 13th

Joseph Year 5 15th

William Year 4 20th

Noah Year 4 26th

Tri Start

Betsy 8th

Mathea



School Sports News

Skiing To Victory

Congratulations to 10 IHS pupils who took part in the ERSA Ski Championships last Sunday. The pupils took part in both an individual and a team race. The fastest time went towards the individual result and each team needed two completed runs from 3 members of the team to attain a finishing position.

Congratulations to the Under 12 girls team who we believe came 3rd in the event (due to an administrative error this was not announced on the day). Congratulations to Madeleine Welsh who won the Under 16 age group.

Superstar Skier

Madeleine competed at the Evolution Club National held at Welwyn Dry Slope on Sunday. She won the Under 16 category and was 3rd fastest female across all age categories on the day. Very well done.



Annabel, Molly, Eliza and Lara



Madeleine and Freya



Tabitha, Lillian, William and Ben

Athletics

The Suffolk Schools Track and field national competition got off to a start on Wednesday 10th May at Bury St Edmunds. 52 pupils from Ipswich High competed in a variety of events throughout the day. There were lots of highlights throughout the day including 1st and 2nd place positions.

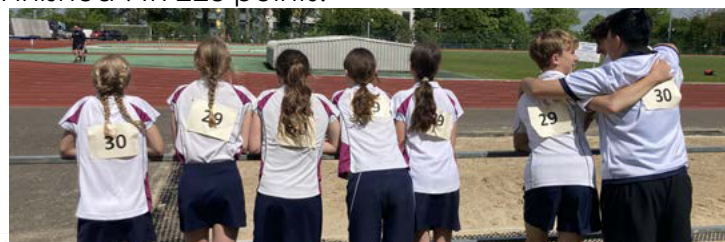
Team Results

Junior Girls finished 3rd with 248 points. (awaiting to see if qualified)

Junior Boys Finished 10th with 153 points.

Inter Girls Finished 6th with 258 points.

Inter Boys Finished 9th 228 points.



Prep School News

Prep School Treat

The Prep School was delighted to have a visit from children's author, Gareth P Jones, on Monday 15th May. Gareth spent time with every single class in the Prep School throughout the day, running writing workshops and sharing his stories and songs, all accompanied by his ukulele. The children all loved meeting and working with Gareth. Year 5 pupils, Imogen and Lucia said, "Our workshop with Gareth was so much fun because he has lots of energy and brought lots of exciting props to help us create our own detective stories. We couldn't wait to write our own stories once he had helped us with lots of creative ideas."

Gareth P. Jones is an internationally renowned author and prize-winning author. Some of his books include: 'The Ninja Meerkats' series, "The Thornthwaite Betrayal" and 'The Considine Curse' which won a Blue Peter Book of the Year. Gareth has also expanded into picture books such as "The Dinosaurs are Having a Party", "Are You the Pirate" and "Rabunzel". The children all had the opportunity to purchase Gareth's books during the day, and many of the pupils were spotted glued to their books in the playground.



Science Week Homework Competition Winners

- India Year 6
- Imogen Year 6
- Olivia Year 5
- Rufus Year 4
- Harry Year 3
- George Year 2
- George Year 1
- Teddy WHN & R
- George WHN & R



Prep School News

Eco Prefects & School Council

A big congratulations to the Prep School students who gladly received their Eco Prefect and School Council badges from The Head.



ISA Young Storytellers Competition Triumph

A huge congratulations to Year 2, who won the ISA Young Storytellers Competition last week. As a class, the children created a short adventure story, 'Underwater Discovery', based on their learning on Jacques Cousteau. The children received some lovely feedback about their story from the ISA judges. "What I particularly enjoyed about this story were the vivid descriptions of underwater life and the ancient shipwreck, which made me imagine that I was there. I also loved the sudden appearance of the purple tentacle and the hint of danger. A wonderful adventure tale that I feel could be further developed."

The story is on the ISA website and will be published in a book in the near future.

[Click here to read the full story](#)



Senior News

Year 10 Adventurers

Last Thursday and Friday Year 10 Geography students visited Southwold for their GCSE fieldwork. The weather on Thursday was glorious and students enjoyed collecting their fieldwork data on Denes Beach, taking readings of the width of beach and the height of the groynes. As part of their course, they attended the Geography Fieldwork Academy located in the Old Hospital, working in small groups to analyse their data. The day was led by Chris, a Southwold local, who also gave students the opportunity to fly a drone and take photos of the coastline from above. Well done to the Year 10 Geographers who returned on Friday, bracing the wind and rain, to visit the pier and to find out more from the visitors and residents of Southwold.



Year 8 End of Year Assessment Fun

How can an end of year assessment practical be so much fun? Well it was, all the nerves of making a roux sauce came together beautifully for my Year 8 groups, and all presented with such creativity. These groups can all now work independently and with confidence. They can work safely, organised and have fun all at the same time! What a result. Well done all Year 8's, you have, as always, done me proud! I can now retire, knowing you can cook and wash up perfectly.

Mrs Murray



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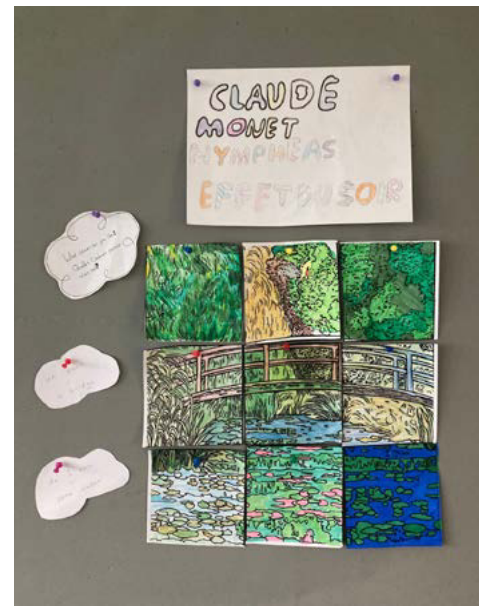
Le Petit Déjeuner Français

Year 7 enjoying a tasty homework this week.



Colouring Club

In the cultural mindful colouring club, pupils have been exploring French and Spanish artists whilst putting their own stamp on their work. They have also been listening to some music from the related countries. The students take the opportunity to learn a few words linked to the picture that they are colouring in.



LRC News

Year 11 to return all library books

Year 11 are reminded that all library books need to be returned by to the LRC by 26th May or the cost of missing books may be deducted from school deposits.

Y10 Work Experience

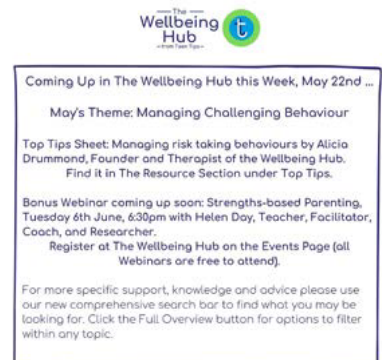
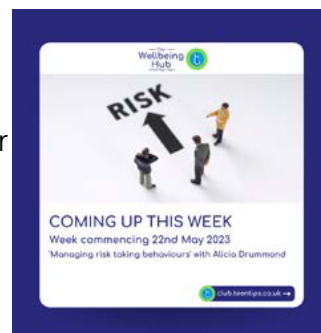
Year 10 are to take part in 5 days of Work Experience during the summer holiday, details [here](#). Deadline for [paperwork](#) from their employer/s is due no later than Friday 19th May 2023. Please chase your chosen employer if they have not submitted it yet.

Year 9 TYCTWD

Year 9 took part in the 'Take Your Child To Work Day' on Thursday 27th April. This was an informative day for pupils to get real world experience about being in the work place. From the student post evaluation forms we can see that many of the pupils felt they gained better skills in several areas but in particular communication, team work and listening. Pupils went to a wide and varied range of work environments, these are just some of the days that some of the pupils took part in:

Charlie had an amazing day at Ipswich Community Radio Station - creating his own 1 hour radio show.

Yasmin really enjoyed her day at Haven vets; she got to sit-in on consultations and also watched two routine operations. While Olivia spent her day with Time Appointments Recruitment agency where they decorated her desk for her birthday and took her for a birthday lunch.



In Need of Support?

During school hours, please contact our Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs Finch or, Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads: Mrs Offord (Senior School), Mrs Vickers (Sixth Form) - on 01473 780201.

With out of school hours support below:

YoungMinds: 24/7 - Text YM to 85258

Samaritans: 24/7 - 116123

Kooth: kooth.com

Sexual assault: NSPCC - 0800 136 663 / help@nspcc.org.uk

Sexual assault local contact: The Ferns - 0300 123 5058

Childline: Call 0800 1111 or 1-2-1 chat online

NHS Mental Health Support: 111, option 2

Online bullying: thinkUknow.co.uk



We have resources to aid parents to support their child's wellbeing, on [our Firefly page](#).