

Edition 2 : 20/09/24



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Thank you

Thank you for your feedback on our new newsletter! We're working hard to make sure we consider all your comments and will keep improving it.

Our latest Ofsted response

As we prepare for our next Ofsted inspection, we recognise we are on a journey and need to make some further changes to ensure we get things right, consistent and working effectively. Therefore, we are sharing the following changes and reasons with you, our aim is to do this regularly, so we keep you up to date with what's happening in school.

What We Are Doing	What's New and Why
New Line-up Expectations Starting from Tuesday, 17th September, all students will line up in their year zones before heading to tutor rooms.	This helps create a calm and organised start to the day. We can also easily check planners and uniforms. During bad weather, students will go straight to their tutor rooms by 8:50 am.
More Lesson Visits We're visiting more lessons to see what's working well and provide support where needed.	We'll recognise great work through shout-outs, so your child may mention regular visits in their classes. This helps share best practices and improve teaching and learning.

October Half Term Holiday Reminder

In our school calendar you will notice the Marches Academy Trust has a two-week October half term and finishes a bit later for summer. This break helps split up the long September to December term and gives families a chance to take holidays outside the busy summer period. This year, students will finish on Thursday, 17th October and return on Monday, 4th November.

Full calendar can be found here <https://www.idsallschool.org/events>

Thursday 26th September. Entries will be judged and winning students will receive Amazon vouchers.



Year 6 Open Evening



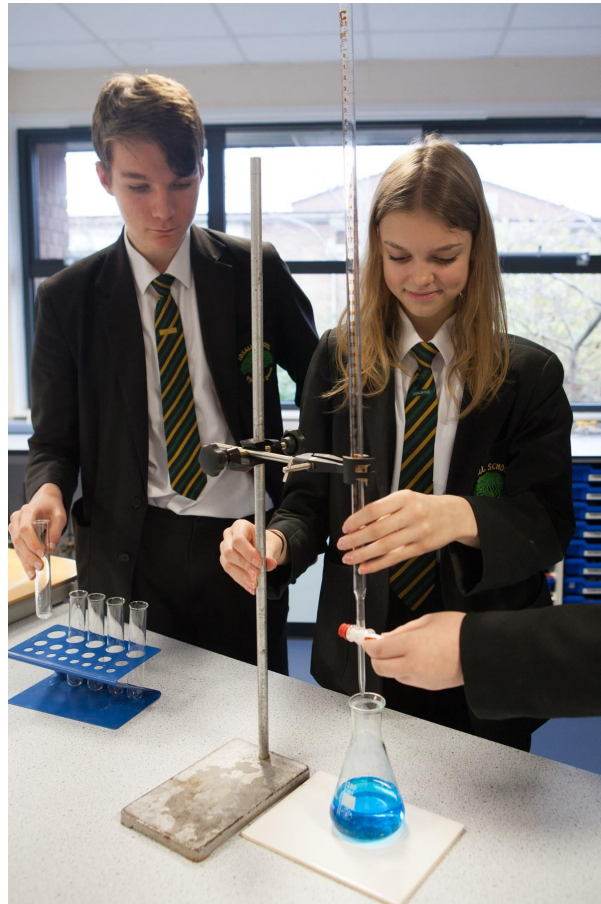
On Thursday 26th September, Idsall School opens its doors to all the year 6 students interested in seeing around Idsall School.

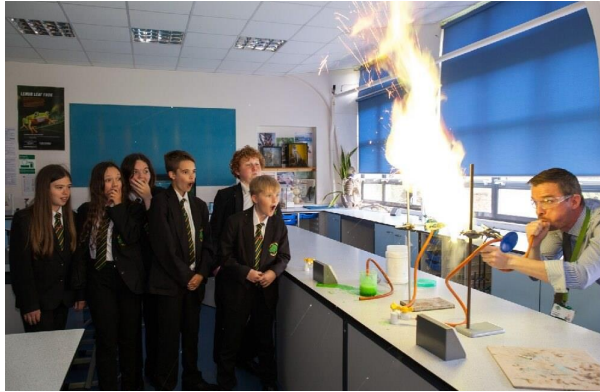
Open evenings offer an invaluable opportunity to get a feel for a school. For potential new students to meet teachers and students, ask questions and hear from the headteacher. It is a time to get advice on the admission process and see if it is a right fit for the new students and parents.

The evening will commence at 4.30pm and showcase all the best of Idsall. Present students are invited to come along and help in various departments.

If your student is interested in helping please ask them to speak to their subject teacher and get a parental permission slip.

For more information please follow this link to our website : [Open Evening](#)





Join us for the worlds biggest coffee morning



Please join us as we take part in the worlds biggest coffee morning for Macmillan Cancer Support ... everyone is welcome here at Idsall School

Friday 27th September, Idsall 6th formers are asking for your help to raise money for Macmillian Cancer Support.

The coffee morning is for everyone, students, parents, carers, local residents, local business owners, anyone at all who wants to join in the fun and help raise vital funds to support this amazing charity.

If you are a baker or a buyer, sweet treats for us to sell on the day would be fabulous. The more we can sell the more money we can raise for the charity.

The 6th formers would love to welcome you all to join them for coffee and cakes on this date, whether you are a parent / carer, local resident or just someone who wants to come along and support this amazing charity, please come along between 10.30 to 12.30 in the schools main hall. Just report in at reception and expect a lovely warm welcome from our staff and students.

We look forward to seeing you.

Delicious coffee and cakes on offer!

New Web Site Launch

We are really happy to announce our new website is now officially launched. Please follow the link below and take a look.

You will find up to date information on your child's curriculum, what they are studying each term alongside lots of information about the school.

Please take a look - and remember as a school, we value your thoughts so any feedback would be gratefully received as we trial different ways of improving our communication.

Link : [Idsall School Home Page](#)

Drama and Music Extra Curriculum



<i>Idsall</i>		EXTRA CURRICULAR
<i>Performing Arts</i>		
M	Music String Orchestra Period 6 Drama KS3 Drama Club Lunch	
TU	Music Drum Club Lunch Drama School Show - Dance Lunch	
W	Music School of Rock Lunch Music Kaleidoscope Orchestra Period 6 Drama School Show - Acting Lunch	
TH	Music Young Voices Lunch Drama KS3 Drama Club Lunch	
F	Drama KS4 Intervention/Revision Lunch	

Idsall Sports Leaders are Back!

On Tuesday 17th September, Idsall School hosted the 1st of 3 Key Stage 2 Primary Cross Country races for children within East Shropshire. Approximately 150 children in Years 3-6 participated in the hugely successful event. The course took runners around the whole of the school site and was supported by 35 amazing sports leaders, staff from Idsall School and Trusted Sports Alliance. Thank you to everyone that helped to hare, sweep and marshal the course, comments and feedback from participants and spectators was extremely positive.

If anyone is interested in getting involved in sports leadership, meetings are held every Monday lunchtime in E4, at 1.45pm. Next week there will be more details about the exciting events and leadership opportunities available to students at Idsall School.

Keep your eyes on the newsletter!

Kenya



We are very excited to announce that we are partnering with Camps International to offer students the opportunity to go on a life-changing, 4-week expedition to Kenya, during the summer of 2026.

Based in two locations in eastern Kenya, students will work on a mix of meaningful environmental conservation and sustainable community-based projects, having a lasting, positive impact on the local communities, as well as experiencing local Maasai culture, developing a wide range of their personal core skills and exploring the local areas which will include heading out on safari and visiting a tropical white sand beach with coral reef offshore!

- Launch assemblies will take place on Monday 23rd September for students in Years 10,11,and 12.
- A Parental Information Evening is then scheduled for Tuesday 1st October where families and students will be able to hear more about Camps, the expedition and fundraising, as well as how to join the team.

Students are encouraged to raise the funds for this expedition themselves, and whilst support will be provided, suggestions on getting started straight away with some helpful tips and advice can be found here:

<https://www.campsinternational.com/fundraising-for-your-expedition/>

We look forward to sharing more about the expedition through both student assemblies and the Parents Information Evening.

Questions and further enquiries are welcomed and can be directed to Mr. Pittam, who will be the lead member of Idsall Staff on the expedition.

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What's on

- Thur 26th Sept : European Day of Languages
- Thur 26th Sept : Open Evening from 4.30pm
- Fri 27th Sept : Macmillian Coffee Morning 10.30 - 12.30
- Fri 27th Sept : Open Morning 8.30am - 12.30 pm (appointment only)
- Tue 1st Oct : Kenya Parental Information Evening
- Wed 2nd Oct : Year 9 and 11 Individual School Photos
- Thu 10th Oct : Year 7 Transition Parents Evening
- Fri 18th Oct : PD Day (School closed to all students)
- Mon 21st Oct to Fri 1st Nov : Half Term
- Mon 4 Nov : Back to school for all students
- Tue 5th Nov : 6th Form Open Evening

Celebration of Former Student



Caitlyn Slater is a former student at Idsall School who started here in year 7 and went through to year 13.

Throughout her time, Caitlyn has always shown determination to never quit her passion of football and still continue her hard work down this pathway.

Yesterday she was awarded with the **County FA Winner - Match Official of the Year!**

Caitlyn often speaks highly of the staff at Idsall for never giving up on her and pushing her to keep going. Something the staff that knew Caitlyn are very proud of.

Congratulations Caitlyn from everyone at Idsall School

Shifnal Junior Youth Club



Nothing to do on a Wednesday evening want to make new friends get out and about in a safe environment, then why not give the Shifnal Junior Youth Club a try!

Held every Wednesday evening at the Trinity Centre, Shifnal

There are two different groups

- Shifnal Junior Youth Club - Wednesdays 5.30 - 7.00pm - Open to students in year 6 to year 8
- Shifnal Senior Youth Club - Wednesday 7.30 - 9.00pm - Open to students year 9+

This week - Wednesday 25th September :

Junior Youth Club - Karaoke, Jute String Crafts and DIY Pretzel Bites!

Senior Youth Club - Karaoke, Jute Heart Hangings and DIY Pretzel Bits!

Follow this link for more information :https://www.shifnaltowncouncil.gov.uk/council_events/shifnal-junior-youth-club/

[Shifnal Junior Youth Club | Shifnal Town Council](#)

Taekwon-Do Classes



TAEKWON-DO CLASSES **for NEW BEGINNERS**

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5+

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on **07969 996055**

or email neilmorris14@btinternet.com

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Our values:

