

Music, Memories and a Community Coming Together

It has been another busy and exciting week at Islip Manor High School, with plenty to celebrate and some wonderful examples of our school values in action. This week we have welcomed the final groups of Year 6 families for our open morning tours. These have been incredibly busy, and it has been a real pleasure to show so many prospective families around our new school building and give them the opportunity to see learning taking place. Thank you to all of our students and staff who have helped make our visitors feel so welcome.

We are also looking forward to welcoming back our Key Stage 3 students who have spent this week on a residential at Jamie's Farm. This is a fantastic programme which gives students the opportunity to experience life on a working farm, develop their confidence and learn new skills away from the classroom. The photographs we have received so far suggest that everyone has been thoroughly enjoying themselves! We can't wait to hear their stories when they return next week.

One of the real highlights of my week was Thursday's Music in Secondary Schools Trust (MiSST) Play Day. We were delighted to welcome students from Dormers Wells High School, who spent the day working alongside our Year 7 and 8 musicians, rehearsing together before putting on a spectacular performance at the end of the day. The standard of playing, particularly from our Year 7 students, who have only been learning the flute since the beginning of September was truly exceptional. To perform so confidently in front of an audience after just a few weeks of lessons is a remarkable achievement. Our Year 8 violinists, as ever, excelled themselves too. We are so fortunate to be part of the MiSST programme, which is opening up such wonderful musical opportunities for our students.

Finally, it has been lovely today to see our school community coming together to wear red in support of anti-racism. We are very proud of the diversity of our school community and the way that students have come together to demonstrate that everyone, whatever their background, should feel valued and respected. Thank you to all families for supporting this event and helping us to reinforce such an important message.

Have a lovely weekend!

Ms Marion Budd
Headteacher



DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Monday 19th October - Thursday 22nd October

Monday 19th October

Tuesday 20th October

Wednesday 21st October

Thursday 22nd October

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Friday 23rd October

Monday 26th October - Friday 30th October

Year 11 Period 6

Year 10 Interform Basketball

Year 9 Interform Basketball

KS3 Tea & Talk Rewards

KS4 Tea & Talk Rewards

Year 7 & 8 Disco

Year 13 Biology Field Trip Kew Gardens

Half Term

Conduct Curriculum: School Uniform Expectations (Page 1 of 2)

At Islip Manor High School, we have high expectations of students' appearance, as this is an important factor in establishing a consistent, calm and purposeful learning environment. All students are expected to wear their full school uniform, including the correct PE kit, appropriately and with pride.

Our uniform is smart, practical and relatively inexpensive. Most items can be purchased from high street clothing stores; however, branded items must be purchased from our uniform supplier, **Kevin's and Juniper Uniform**.

Kevin's can be found at: 17 The Broadway, Greenford, Middlesex, UB6 9QH

Juniper Uniform can be found at: 154-156 Broadway, West Ealing, London, W13 0TL

Please see below as a reminder of our uniform expectations.

Islip Manor High School Uniform – As of September 2025

All students wearing the new Islip Manor High School uniform must wear the following:

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- White school polo shirt with the school logo
- Black V-neck jumper with the school logo
- Black loose-fitting trousers or a loose-fitting black skirt, at least knee length
- Optional black plain belt with a small buckle
- Plain black footwear, either school shoes or plimsolls/trainers
- Black plain socks or plain black tights
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Existing Northolt High School Uniform – Years 9, 10 and 11

Students in Years 9, 10 and 11 who still have the existing Northolt High School uniform may continue to wear it, but it must be worn in full. This includes:

- Black school blazer with the school emblem
- White school shirt
- School clip-on tie
- Black loose-fitting trousers or a loose-fitting black skirt, at least knee length
- Optional black plain belt with a small buckle
- Plain black footwear, either school shoes or plimsolls/trainers
- Black or white plain socks or plain black tights
- Optional plain black V-neck jumper

If a student no longer has the old Northolt High School tie and blazer, they must purchase the new compulsory Islip Manor High School uniform items.

Students may therefore wear either the existing Northolt High School uniform (in its entirety) or the Islip Manor High School uniform (in its entirety). Students are not permitted to mix and match between Northolt High School and Islip Manor High School uniforms

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I would also like to take this opportunity to reiterate our expectations for Physical Education lessons.

PE Uniform

Students must wear the following for PE:

- Black polo top with the school badge (or the white Northolt High School PE Polo top)
- Black shorts
- Black or white socks
- School hooded sweatshirt with the school badge, optional item
- Black tracksuit bottoms

Please note that cycling shorts are not permitted. Leggings are also not permitted.

Please ensure that your son/daughter attends school wearing full and appropriate uniform each day. Uniform infringements are a direct breach of our behaviour policy and will result in confiscations and/or sanctions being applied.

Should you have any queries, please contact your child's form tutor or year leader in the first instance, who will be able to assist.

Thank you for your ongoing support.



MiSST Play Day

This week, our Year 7 and 8 students took part in the MiSST Play Day, joining forces with students from Dormers Wells High School for a full day of music-making, ensemble work and orchestral rehearsals.

Throughout the day, students worked intensively with MiSST tutors, learning brand-new pieces they had never encountered before. They took part in warm-ups, sectionals and full orchestra sessions, building confidence, teamwork and musicianship in a fast-paced and exciting environment.

The day ended with a short performance for families, showcasing everything they had achieved in just a few hours. We are incredibly proud of how well our students represented Islip Manor High School and the commitment they showed throughout the event.

A huge thank you to MiSST and Dormers Wells High School for their collaboration, and to all parents who attended the performance. We look forward to many more opportunities for our young musicians to shine.

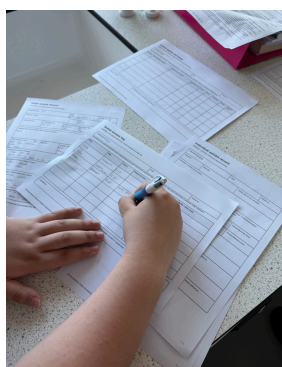


Year 13 Investigate: Science at the Crime Scene

Our Y13 BTEC Applied Science students completed their mock crime scene this week as part of the forensic module. Students had spent previous lessons learning about the roles of different people at crime scenes as well as how evidence is contained, handled and stored. They also then learned the techniques in how to test for blood, fibres, hair, powders and fingerprints as well as how to take moulds and pictures of different areas of the crime scene.

In small groups each student decided on their role to process this simulated crime scene and then were given a slot to uncover, collect and log all the evidence they could. After this they will then go on to test their findings and question the 'suspects' to come up with a logical timeline and theory that they then have to present as evidence to the 'court'.

As one group claimed 'this is the best lesson ever!!' and the practical application of real life science makes learning so much more enjoyable. Even up to Y13, the science department try to keep their lessons relevant so that students can see why their learning is important. We may even have convinced some students to look at forensic science or criminal law as a future profession - so we know we are in safe hands.



Year 10 Inspire Students Experience the Magic of The Lion King

Our Year 10 Inspire students enjoyed a fantastic enrichment trip to London's Lyceum Theatre to watch Disney's spectacular musical, *The Lion King* on Wednesday 7th October.

For many students, this was their first experience of live theatre, and it certainly did not disappoint! From the breathtaking costumes and incredible performances to the unforgettable music, students were captivated by the magic of the production.

Beyond the entertainment, the trip provided a valuable opportunity for students to experience the arts and reflect on the powerful messages woven throughout the story, including resilience, courage, responsibility and the importance of believing in yourself.

One student shared, "It was my first time at the theatre, and it was so exciting! I'd never experienced anything like it before."

Another reflected on the inspiring message of the musical, commenting, "It was definitely worth the wait! The story was inspiring because it taught us to never give up, even when things get difficult."

The trip was a wonderful opportunity to broaden students' horizons, create lasting memories and inspire them beyond the classroom.

We are delighted that our Inspire students embraced the experience with such enthusiasm and hope it has encouraged many to explore more of the exciting cultural opportunities London has to offer.



Year 9 Explore London's Historic Landmarks

Our Year 9 students finally had the opportunity to enjoy their much-anticipated enrichment trip, which had been postponed from the summer term. It was certainly worth the wait, as students embarked on an exciting journey through the heart of London, exploring some of the capital's most famous and historically significant landmarks.

The day began with a visit to the iconic Trafalgar Square before heading towards Buckingham Palace, where students were fortunate enough to witness the famous Changing of the Guard ceremony. This was a particular highlight of the trip, with even some of our teachers admitting that it was their first time experiencing this spectacular tradition!

After a well-deserved lunch break, students continued their journey towards Downing Street, the Houses of Parliament and Westminster Abbey, discovering fascinating facts about Britain's history, monarchy and democracy along the way.

What made the experience particularly special was that, despite living in London, many of our students shared that they rarely have the opportunity to visit central London and explore its famous landmarks. For some, it was their first time seeing these historic sites in person, making the day even more memorable.

The trip was about much more than sightseeing. It was an opportunity to bring history to life, broaden students' cultural experiences and develop a greater appreciation of the incredible city on their doorstep.

We were delighted to see our Year 9 students engaging so enthusiastically throughout the day, asking questions, learning new things and creating lasting memories with their peers. It was a fantastic enrichment experience and a wonderful reminder that some of the best learning opportunities can take place beyond the classroom!



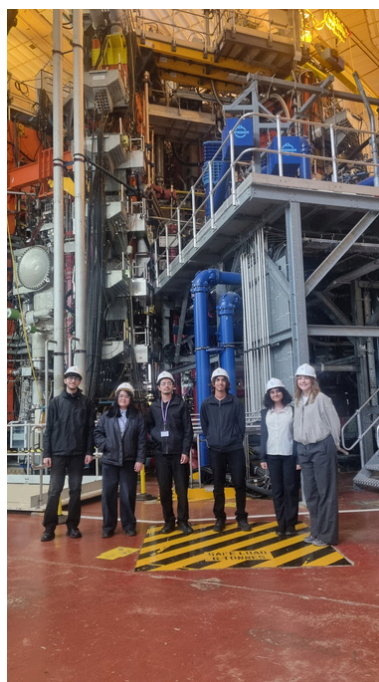
A-Level Physics Students Visit the UK Atomic Energy Authority

On Tuesday 6th October, our Year 12 and 13 A-Level Physics students visited the UK Atomic Energy Authority (UKAEA) in Oxfordshire for an exciting opportunity to explore the science and technology behind nuclear fusion.

Students began the day with an introduction to fusion energy before touring the Joint European Torus (JET) facilities, gaining a fascinating insight into one of the world's most significant nuclear fusion research projects. They also visited the Remote Applications in Challenging Environments (RACE) facility, exploring how robotics and remote-handling technology are used in complex scientific environments.

A particular highlight was the careers carousel, where students met graduates, apprentices and industry placement students, discovering the different pathways into careers in physics, engineering and scientific research.

The visit was a fantastic opportunity to see how the concepts studied in A-Level Physics are applied to real-world challenges, particularly the development of cleaner, sustainable energy for the future. We hope the experience has inspired some of our students to consider careers in science and engineering!



Race Equality Parent Zoom

Dear Parents ,

We have our next meeting in November on zoom.

Date 24th November at 7:00 pm

Our meetings are an opportunity for parents to meet to look at how to support the school with our drive to address identified inequalities in educational outcomes for a target group of children in line with the guidance of London Borough of Ealing .

We have a committed group of parents who have been supporting the school to look at how we implement behaviour policies to support learning , reduce the time spent out of class and redress the balance in terms of educational outcomes .

Please email amiller@islipmanorhigh.org.uk if you have any questions .

A link will be forwarded shortly for those who wish to attend .

Look forward to seeing you in November .

Angela Miller

Parent Ambassador

Race Equality at Islip Manor High School - Weekly Update

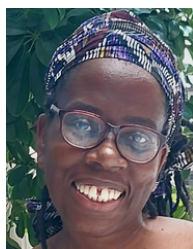
Standing Together Against Racism

Today, our school community wore red in support of Show Racism the Red Card, demonstrating our shared commitment to challenging racism and promoting equality. It was wonderful to see students and staff coming together to share an important message: racism has no place in our school or wider society.

Wear Red Day is about more than wearing a colour. It is a reminder of the responsibility we all share to challenge prejudice, celebrate our differences and treat one another with kindness and respect. It also reflects our school values of Courage and Collaboration—having the courage to speak up when something is wrong and working together to create positive change.

As we continue to recognise Black History Month, we encourage students to listen to different experiences, ask thoughtful questions and recognise the contributions of people from all backgrounds. These conversations help us understand one another and strengthen the sense of belonging we want every member of our community to feel.

Thank you to all students, staff and families who supported Wear Red Day. Together, we can make equality and inclusion part of our everyday actions, ensuring Islip Manor High School is a place where everyone feels safe, respected and valued.



Race Equality Leads:

Angela Miller (Parent Ambassador and teacher), Marie Dennis (Inclusion Manager and Assistant Headteacher) & Matt Haresnape (Senior Deputy Headteacher)

SEND Year 7 and 8 Parent Zoom Tuesday October 20th at 7.00pm on zoom



As Parent Ambassadors we would like to work closely with parents and carers to strengthen our partnership between home and school .

Do you have a child with additional needs ?

Would you like to talk to us about how we can support you to work in partnership with the school around meeting your child's needs .

Please email amiller@islipmanorhigh.org.uk and you will be sent a zoom link



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