

29th November 2024

Headteacher

It was the U15 boys turn to represent us this week in rugby away at Stowmarket RFC. They won three out of 5 games. As usual the behaviour of our students was outstanding and a superb representation of the overall culture at Ixworth, there is a full match report later in the bulletin.

Next week we will be releasing the results for our Year 11 mock exams, the positive attitude of our students to the mock exams can be seen in some outstanding grades being achieved, even though we are still some distance from the end of their courses. We will shortly be issuing results to Year 11, and then at the end of term all remaining students will receive a school report. They will have a similar format to past reports, but there will be some changes in what will be reported. We will provide more information in this bulletin leading up to the reports and provide additional information with the report. In January we will be asking for parents to feedback on the report format in a Parent's Focus Group with Mr Beales.

Wishing you a restful weekend.

Mr Gibb

Admissions consultation 2026

Our proposed admissions policy for 2026 is available on our website. The consultation period for the draft policy is 6 weeks in accordance with paragraph 1.46 of the Schools Admissions Code 2021 and will conclude on Friday 20th December 2024. If you wish to comment on the policy, please contact the Headteacher via enquiries@ixworthhighschool.org.

Restaurant Information

Please ensure that Arbor accounts are topped up for your child. We are not usually permitted to allow accounts to go into arrears. If you do not top up their account, please send a packed lunch.

Our new website can be found here: www.ixworthhighschool.org

Key Dates

Week beginning 2nd December is Week A on our timetable

5 th December	Yr11 Progress Evening
9 th December	PD Day, school closed to pupils
12 th December	Christmas Lunch
13 th December	HPV Vaccinations
19 th December	Presentation Evening
20 th December	School closes for Christmas Holidays
6 th January 2025	PD Day, school closed to pupils
7 th January 2025	PD Day, school closed to pupils
8 th January 2025	School reopens for all pupils

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Pastoral Notices

Student related enquiries

General enquiries about students or student-related incidents should always in the FIRST instance go to their Tutor. If for any reason this does not resolve the issue, please then contact the Head of Upper or Lower school, whichever is relevant to your child.

Student absence

Student absences should still be registered with the School Office Team by Phone **01359 234050** by **9:00 am**.

Lost Property

Items of lost property will be kept at the school office. Please ensure you have all school uniform and sports kit clearly marked with your name on the inside of the item so if you do misplace anything it can be returned to you quickly.

Christmas Fair - Cancelled

Unfortunately, we have cancelled the Christmas Fair, which was due to be held on Friday 6th December.

Match Report

U15 Boys Rugby report – Mr Stacpoole

Ixworth High School took part in the annual U15 boys rugby festival at Stowmarket RFC on Tuesday 26th November. There were 12 schools involved in a round robin style developmental competition.

Ixworth started in the lower section of the competition but quickly rose through the ranks with two dominant wins against Mildenhall and Breckland County. This pitted us against a strong OSA team who were slightly more experienced than our team. They passed the ball wide early to isolate our wings on two occasions, both resulting in breakaway tries.

We lost our next game against a well drilled Stowmarket team which placed us into a final game against our rivals, Stowupland.

Our strongest game of the afternoon meant we ran out 10-5 victors against a very strong Stowupland team. There were standout individual performances from Oscar C, Ben P and Charlie W, but the whole team should take credit for a fantastic afternoon of progressive rugby.

The way our boys conducted themselves was exemplary. Our behaviour, sportsmanship and general spirit of the game were exceptional, and clearly highlighted the progress we are making in sport at Ixworth High School.

Well done!