

OCTOBER 2020



Ian Ramsey  
CE Academy  
Dayspring Trust

Together to learn, to grow, to serve

**RAMSEY**  
**3-4-5**

### 3 Rules

**READY**  
**RESPECTFUL**  
**SAFE**

### 4 Objectives

**DEVELOP**  
**ENGAGE**  
**ENCOURAGE**  
**PRACTISE**

### 5 Values

**JOY**  
**HOPE**  
**WISDOM**  
**FORGIVENESS**  
**PERSEVERANCE**

### Key Dates:

End of half term  
Thursday 22nd October

Staff Training Day  
Friday 23rd October

School reopens  
Monday 2nd November

End of term  
Friday 18th December  
1pm finish

School reopens  
Monday 4th January

# Ian Ramsey Church of England Academy

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## Message from the Head Teacher

We have had an incredibly busy and focused half-term. Our efforts have been firmly placed on the return of all pupils to school. There have been 3 threads to this return: ensuring the safety of all pupils, staff and visitors; ensuring the well-being and mental health of our pupils and staff; delivering our **CONNECT** curriculum, which identifies gaps and targets planning to accelerate the progress of our young people through our **DEEP** objectives.

In our effort to constantly improve our standards, we will continue to focus our attention on homework, revision and intervention as we prepare for assessments and mock examinations. We have moved our homework onto **Google Classrooms** following a shift to this platform to support any pupils self-isolating due to Covid-19 or for those pupils that have an illness or medical appoint-

ment. This means all pupils can catch-up on work missed in lessons, whatever the reason. Our staff have been



Check out our Google Classroom Help Video Guides on our website:

[ianramsey.org.uk/google-classroom/](http://ianramsey.org.uk/google-classroom/)

learning new skills in order to effectively use Google Classroom. Mr C. Cook, Head of Computer Science, has been leading on this development and has made some very useful video guides for pupils and parents/carers. Since our return, I have been very im-

pressed by the way the vast majority of children have conducted themselves, particularly in the classrooms. The academy is a calm and purposeful learning environment while the lessons are taking place. We, of course, face challenges during lunch and break-times, but we are all working under the backdrop of the pandemic. I would like to ask for your support to ensure that your son/daughter is wearing the correct uniform, including PE Kit and **pupils must bring to school their own face mask**. You have a legal requirement to ensure your child has a mask. We have given out 5000 masks so far since September and this cannot be sustained long term. Please make sure your child has a mask.

For guidance on face masks see the BBC News Clip

[www.youtube.com/watch?v=NMSqc9SbbJc](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NMSqc9SbbJc)

## 105 YEARS YOUNG

### Florence turns 105



Wellburn Care Home resident Florence turned 105 recently staff from the home put out an appeal for 105 cards to mark the occasion. Staff and pupils from our academy rose to the challenge and here you can see Eve and William with the huge card that they helped to make. Florence was born in 1915, the same year as Bishop Ian Ramsey.

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Good Provider



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# Love your neighbour as yourself

Mark 12:31



**BISHOP  
IAN RAMSEY  
PAINTED BY  
ROMANY 2015**

**IAN  
RAMSEY  
CHURCH  
OF  
ENGLAND  
ACADEMY**

**PROGRESS  
REPORTS**

Year 10 & 11  
after half term

Year 7, 8 and 9  
in December  
2020

# Information

## Covid-19 Update

We continue to be focused on mitigating the risks to our young people and staff at Ian Ramsey academy. We continue to provide a supercharged cleaning regime to ensure that our buildings are clean at the start of each day and throughout the day. I want to thank the cleaners for the incredible job they are doing. Many of them have increased their hours and we have additional cleaners working throughout the school day.

As much of the country heads for local lockdown, we must ensure that we continue to remind each other of our own responsibilities to wash our hands, cover our faces and keep our space. Children continue to remain in their Year Group bubbles, where possible, but they must be reminded that they need to limit their own physical contact between themselves.

Masks are to be worn at all times, from walking to school, all the way to walking home. The only times masks can be removed are when in lessons and when eating and drinking. Wearing a mask, washing our hands regularly and keeping our distance is the best way to reduce transmission. (Some pupils and staff are medically exempt from

wearing a face mask)

However, many of our pupils are now becoming too relaxed about the Covid-19 restrictions and staff are having to continually remind a small number of pupils to wear their mask as directed. Unfortunately, we have had to exclude some pupils, under the new Covid-19 rules, as they are refusing to follow the strict guidelines we have set. We will continue to do this to keep our community safe.

## Uniform

Pupils must wear their academy uniform to and from school everyday. On the days that they have PE practical lessons, they may wear their PE kit if they wish to. **PE kit means the Ian Ramsey PE Kit and not other sportswear.** Pupils must always wear the academy blazer no matter what other uniform they are wearing.

Trainers should not be worn with the school uniform, unless pupils are wearing their PE Kit.

Girls should wear leggings with their academy 'skort' if it is to be worn around the academy. This is a safeguarding issue and we must keep our children safe.

## SEND

The SEND staff have launched their mentoring programme this month. Working with parents/carers, pupils and staff to gather key information that will help support our children. This has already been well received by all. We hope that this scheme, born out of the current social distancing requirements, will continue to run even when we return to normal life post-pandemic.

## SEND do Hot Chocolate Friday!

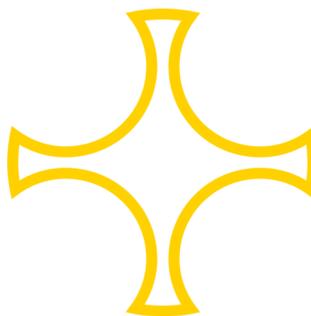
Twenty-six pupils attended a socially distanced rewards event to celebrate their success and each of their extra-ordinary achievements. Well done and I hope you have left some chocolate for Mr Janes!

## Lexia

All children in Year 7 and those who have previously used our platform to help develop basic literacy skills can log into Lexia from home. If you need assistance with log in details, please contact Mrs Shaw, our SendCo and Assistant Head Teacher, or Mrs Bailey, our librarian.

## Collective Worship

### **Chapel converted into our very own TV recording studio**



Due to the Covid-19 restrictions we are unable to meet, as we would normally do, in our collective worship halls as year groups. This has not stopped us from reaching out to all pupils each day with our live broadcasts or pre-recorded collective worships. This week, it has been the turn of the form groups to plan and record collective worships for their peers.