

Head's Up (... date)

Welcome to the Easter edition

Friday 26th March 2021

Welcome to our end of term newsletter and what a term! We started back on Monday 4th January thinking that we would have one or two weeks of remote learning. Then, at 8pm that night, the Prime Minister announced that we were moving into a national lockdown and schools would close. During that time the pupils and staff have worked wonders with our Google Classrooms - live lessons every day for every class. We have loaned out 350+ Chromebook to support families and 4G dongles to access the internet.

The return to school has also been well organised and the children and staff have all enjoyed having face to face lessons. We have all missed the faces of the children and colleagues, even with facemasks! I hope you all have a very special Easter, as we start to have visits outside with family and friends.

Ramadan 2021.

May we take this opportunity to wish all of our pupils and their families who are observing Ramadan this year **'Ramadan Mubarak'**. The season of fasting begins on Monday 12th April as pupils return to school. If your child is observing this time and is fasting, can we ask that you contact Mr Snowden, Deputy Head (snowdenp@ianramsey.org.uk) to confirm this. We will then be able to coordinate suitable venues in school at lunchtime, when pupils may wish to spend time in prayer, whilst following all Covid-19 guidelines. Pupils observing Ramadan may continue to complete lateral flow tests at home during this time, should they wish to.

Year 9 Options - parents, please check you Edulink messages from today. You will be receiving a letter about final option allocations for your child.

Brave the Shave

Year 7 Roxy 'braved the shave' and raised a fabulous £900 for Macmillan Cancer Support. Well done, Roxy.

A polite reminder please for after the break – Parents, please do not enter the school grounds to drop children off or to collect children after school. It is not safe to have multiple children on the car park at a time when our school coaches arrive to collect children. Thanks for your support and understanding with this.

FE news for Year 11s and their parents

This event at Bede Sixth Form Campus Open Event will take place on Tuesday 13th April, 5pm-8pm

Please book at:

Joy Hope Forgiveness Wisdom Perseverance
Ian Ramsey Church of England Academy

Come along to our Virtual Digifest! Find out more about what life is like as an IT & Computing student at Middlesbrough College and about the dynamic digital industry!

Find out more and sign up here: <https://bit.ly/3w0iSDt>

Our next on campus guidance event at the college will take place on Wednesday 21st April 5 – 7.30pm where we will have a booking slot available for Apprenticeships, booking information will be soon published on the following link: <https://www.mbro.ac.uk/about-us/events/detail/2021/04/21/default-calendar/open-event>

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Wednesday 28th April 2021
5.00pm - 7.30pm

- Meet the Principal
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Here are just a few of the entries for this year's Easter Bake Off. Well done to all who took part.



Year 9

and year 10

and the staff!

A HUGE CONGRATULATIONS to Brooke who won £700 in a recent competition out of school and gave £100 to a needy family (2 sisters who had just lost their mum to cancer.)

Celebration of artistic talent

We are delighted to welcome pupils back to the art and design department. Y9 have been enjoying exploring shaded drawings of eyes. We think you'll agree that we have some very talented pupils at Ian Ramsey.

Y11 are working hard at the moment putting the finishing touches to their GCSE coursework. This is the final push to showcase their amazing talent. Look out in the summer for our 'virtual' GCSE exhibition to celebrate their hard work.

Looking after our Mental Health and Wellbeing

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All The latest Covid news from Stockton Borough Council

A Prayer for Easter

Dear Lord, may we realize afresh today what Your death and resurrection mean for us. Forgiveness, freedom, and the ability to walk with You through this fallen world into eternity. May we always find our satisfaction in You and Your willingness to offer Yourself to us.

In Jesus' Name, Amen

Have a great Easter everyone. Spring has arrived and the forecast looks fine. Time for fresh air.

We return on Monday 12th April.