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A Message From Principal Jonathan Mitchell

We are in the middle of the sprint to the finish line of the 2018-2019 school year. We have said goodbye and good luck to the class of 2019, and soon the class of 2023 will be walking the halls of our side of the building. Thank you all for helping make my first year as principal a rewarding one, during which I (hopefully) acquired the wisdom and experience to continue to improve the work I do every day. After a fast and active year, I look forward to the slower pace of the summer time so that I can reflect and recharge for another school year. I hope that our students and their families have an opportunity to do the same.

When planning for next year, please consult next year's calendar in this issue and avoid pulling your son or daughter out of school for trips. Starting next year, to improve our daily attendance rate and reduce chronic absenteeism, students' passing grades will be ieopardized if they miss more than 10% of a class's meetings. More on this topic next year. Also, while talking about some changes, be on the lookout for future communications about the "One Read" community-wide read of *The Boys in the Boat* which will be replacing the traditional summer reading assignment for English classes. Each student will be leaving with a great book in hand for the summer at the beach! It has been a pleasure working with the staff and students this year. I feel fortunate every day to be the principal of a school with such a positive learning environment. GOOD LUCK ON FINALS AND THEN ... ENJOY SUMMER!

Final Exam Schedule 2019

June 13th through 18th

BLOCK	Thursday 6/13	Friday 6/14		Monday 6/17	Tuesday 6/18
	Shortened F Block 7:45-8:39	Quiet Prep in F Block 7:45-8:02		Quiet Prep in D Block 7:45-8:02	Quiet Prep in B Block 7:45-8:02
	Shortened A Block 8:43-9:36	F Block Exam 8: 06-9:36		D Block Exam 8: 06-9:36	B Block Exam 8: 06-9:36
	Quiet Prep in G Block 9:40-9:56	Quiet Prep in E Block 9:40-9:56	WEEKEND	Quiet Prep in C Block 7:45-8:02	Quiet Prep in A Block 9:40-9:56
	G Block Exam 10:00-11:30	E Block Exam 10: 00-11:30	3	C Block Exam 10: 00-11:30	A Block Exam 10:00-11:30
	Regular Thursday B Block and Lunches 11:34-1: 17	Lunch Available 11:34-11:59		Lunch Available 11:34-11:59	Lunch Available 11:34-11:59
	Early Release	Exam Make-up		Exam Make-up	Exam Make-up

Important Dates

6/12 ~ Teacher Appreciation Luncheon

6/14-6/18 ~ Final Exams

6/18 ~ Last Day of School, dismissal after last exam ends at 11:30, buses departing only on regular schedule.

6/23 ~ Last day for discounted bus registration

HAPPY SUMMER! Make it a great one!

Looking Ahead:

8/17 ~ Last day to sign up for Fall Sports

8/11 ~ Last day to sign up for bus without late fee

Wednesday, August 28 ~ First day of new school year for students

Friday 8/30 and Monday 9/2 of Labor Day Weekend off.

The newsletter will be back next fall for a new school year. All issues are available on the high school website ~www.ipsk12.net.

Newsletter Produced by Wendy White

Lunches:	Regular lunch schedule on Thursday.	
Buses:	Regular bus schedule on each day (Thurs	sday @ 1:17; Friday, Monday, Tuesday @ 2
Notes:	1. Exams are 90 minutes in length	
	2. Last R block of the year is on Wedneso	day, June 12th
	3. Unless students need to make up an e Friday, Monday and Tuesday and have the	exam, they will be dismissed at 11:30 he option to go to the caf for a bag lunch
	4. All students are expected to either co-	molete a presentation or sit for a final evan

Summer Hours:

The High School Office will be open throughout the summer, starting 6/24. 978-356-3137

Monday - Thursday 8am-2pm, Friday 8-10am

New to Ipswich or the Ipswich School System?

New Student Registration is handled through Central Office, 1 Lord Square. 978-356-2935.

Summer Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday - 8-am-4pm

Friday - 8am-12pm

Lost and Found items will be donated by June 28th, if you or your student has lost an article of clothing, lunch box, water bottle etc. please check the lost and found locations throughout the building.

Any items of value are kept in the office. If you have lost anything value cell phone, computer, camera, etc. please stop in the office or call 978-356-3137.

Please welcome our new school nurse

(And good wishes and thanks to Marnie Stasiuk who departed in April!)

Hello!

I would like to introduce myself. My name is Paula Butt and I am the new High School Nurse. I am an Ipswich resident and currently have 2 children in Tiger Tots. I am a graduate from Salem State University with my RN, BSN. I was a tele-medical nurse on a busy cardiac unit at Winchester Hospital for 8 years and then transferred to the Winchester Hospital maternity/mother-baby unit, where I still work per diem. I am extremely excited and grateful to be working here at the High/Middle School and I am looking forward to meeting, getting to know, and working with all of you. However, I am not sure if I can keep up with Jen's social skills, so bear with me! pbutt@ipsk12.net

LIBRARY NEWSLETTER ~ Did you know the Ipswich school community has access to over 6000 audio and e-books through our school library? To find out how to access ebooks and learn about summer reading lists, visit the library newsletter through this link:

https://drive.google.com/file/

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TODAY June 11th is the LAST DAY to register for early bird pricing!

Spring 2020 Close Up Washington, DC Trip

The Week in DC

Registration is open for the Spring 2020 Close Up Washington, DC trip. In Washington, students will spend the week exploring our nation's capital with daily workshops, visiting monuments and memorials, and participating in other programming events. Students will also have the opportunity to meet with our U.S. Senators and Congressman.

Who is Eligible?

Students in the class of 2020, 2021, and 2022 are eligible

Early Bird Registration

Close Up offers early bird pricing. Students who submit a completed application and a \$200 deposit will receive the early bird discount. The early bird registration deadline is Tuesday, June 11. The total cost of the trip, which includes all travel expenses, meals in Washington, entrance fees, etc., is \$1,775.

Next Steps

Contact Mr. Krieger with any questions. See <u>www.mrkrieger.com/closeup.htm</u>. Early bird applications and initial deposits are due next Tuesday, November 11.

Teacher and Staff Appreciation Luncheon is tomorrow, Wednesday, June 12th.

With this annual event, the parents of Ipswich High School and Ipswich Middle School combine force to show our school community just how much we appreciate them! We hope all staff, administration and teachers will be able to spend their lunch outdoors at the tables set up in the courtyard and partake of the buffet provided and served by parents. (Grab a to-go plate if that's all you have time for!) Thank you for all you do, every day!

The SignUp Genius filled quickly—thank you! We could still use 1 or 2 extra people for set-up 9-10am and clean up 1-2pm if you didn't get a chance to contribute. ~ Laura O'Flynn and Wendy White



ATHLETIC NEWS

Fall sports registration will run from Monday June 10th through Tuesday August 13th. The

site is open 24 hours-a-day, 7 days-a-week and is available from any computer. There is no paper registration. **Fall Sports Offered:** Cheerleading, Boys & Girls Cross Country, Field Hockey, Football, Golf, Boys & Girls Soccer and Volleyball.

The first day of the fall sports practices are as follows:

- Football Friday August 16th
- Cheering Monday August 19th
- All other sports Thursday August 22rd

To register for a fall sport, please visit our registration website:

http://ipswichathletics.wixsite.com/registration

To complete the registration process, the following items must be taken care of:

- **1.** Complete the <u>online registration</u>... Be sure to confirm your registration through the email which will be sent to you by Family ID (our registration site) after you submit the registration.
- 2. You need a <u>valid physical exam</u> on-file with the athletic department... *Physical exams are only good for 13-months from the date of issue*. Once the exam expires, the athlete is ineligible. If you question the date of your current physical or have not submitted one recently, contact the athletic department as soon as possible at: <u>tgal-lagher@ipsk12.net</u>. Please note, we <u>do not</u> have access to physicals in the nurse's office, other arrangements must be made prior to the start of the sports season.
- 3. Your participation fee payment. The fee is \$650 per athlete, per year with a \$900 family max.
- Payment is expected at the time of registration. If a payment plan is desired, payments must be made on a monthly basis. These are arranged by contacting the athletic office directly.
- A minimum of \$325 is required to begin a payment plan
- Any balances carried from the previous year must be paid in full before a payment plan may begin. Also unpaid balances will interrupt your eligibility for fall sports.

Payments can be made online throughout the summer by using the following website:

https://epay.cityhallsystems.com. You can link your bank account to the online "wallet" and only pay a .50 cent fee; we request that checks not be written and submitted prior to mid-August.

- **4.** All <u>uniforms</u> must be returned in good condition (from previous seasons) or restitution must be made before an athlete will be added to a fall sports roster.
- **5.** All athletes participating in Cheerleading, Field Hockey, Football, Boys & Girls Soccer and Volleyball are required to complete an Impact Baseline Concussion Test. Upon completing registration, we will email a link to the baseline test. The Baseline Test will need to be completed in order for your student-athlete to be added to a roster and eligible to participate. Baseline tests are valid for two (2) years. Those who completed the baseline test this spring have already completed this requirement.

If you have any questions please contact the athletic department directly at: tgallagher@ipsk12.net or by calling (978) 356-3137 x. 2193

The Athletic Department congratulates the following seniors acknowledged at Baccalaureate for <u>Student-Athlete Awards</u>. These were the students who participated in 2 or 3 sports and maintained a 3.30 average GPA through 3rd quarter. Thank you for your contributions to our Ipswich sports teams over the years!

SENIORS - CLASS OF 2019

NAME

Erik Anderson Lauren Kennedy

Evan Antonakes Cassidy King

Sydney Doolan Joanna Mullen

Trevor Doolan Matherine Noftall

Jacob Eilopoulos Catherine Phypers

Jackson Filosa Nicholas Roesler

Jason Finkst Alexandra Sanidas

Samuel Fitzpatrick Cole Schildkraut

Nicholas Fonzi Nicole Sindoni

Zachary Forni Alyssa Terry

Justin Foye Carter Tracy

Chase Gagnon Rixt van der Kooi

Emily Mackenzie Greenleaf Ava Warren

Sophie Harmon Madeline Wilson

Jessica Harrington Kevin Yon

Adriana Jimenez





CONGRATULATIONS TO THE JUNIORS WHO WERE HONORED WITH THESE PRESTIGIOUS COLLEGE BOOK AWARDS!

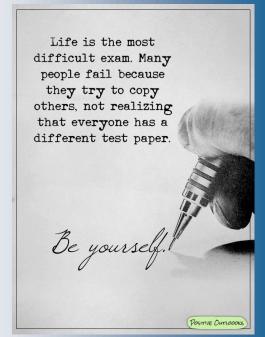
Award

Student

Harvard (Honor/William Markos)	Ali Moulton
Harvard (Honor/John Griffin)	William Russell
Harvard (Harvard Club of North Shore)	Emily Davidson
Yale	Margot Kelly
Brown	Annika Brink
Dartmouth	Casey Nordberg
Wellesley (North Shore Wellesley Club)	Sadie O'Connell
Smith	Bailey Amazeen
Williams	Elsa Anderson
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (RPI)	George Gallagher
George Washington	Evan Kneedler
Boston College	Kayla Laddin
Rochester: Douglass & Anthony	Collin Adams
Rochester: Xerox Award	Ciera Doherty-Crestin
Rochester: Bausch & Lomb	Ethan Driscoll
Rochester: George Eastman	Pierce DeBoer
Saint Anselm College	Charles Keveny
Saint Michael's College (female)	Elizabeth O'Donnell
Saint Michael's College (male)	Julian Colville
Suffolk University	Lydia Brendel
Chatham	Faith Johnson



@Carlee McDot



The IHS World Language Department wishes to congratulate the following students on their success in the National French and National Spanish Exams.

National French Exam (Grand Concours):

Platinum Medalists:

Highest score in level/division - National Rank above 95th percentile

- Ava Borgman
- Ella Borgman

Gold Medalists: 95th percentile

- Faith Johnson
- Emma Kennedy
- Melanie Powers

Silver Medalists: 85th-90th percentile

- Damian Guldimann
- Casey Nordberg
- Jason Rollins
- Eleanor Soininen
- Margaret Stone
- Nicole Wilson

Bronze Medalists: 75th-80th percentile

- Emily Davidson
- Edward Donovan
- Erica Prisby
- Lily Ramsdell

BUY YOUR IPSWICH SHIRT NOW! Support the Rising Seniors!





With the end of the year rap-

idly approaching, the Class of 2020 has some leftover Ipswich T-shirts that we would like to sell before the end of the year. If you are interested, please let me know at ahayoz laverdiere@ipsk12.net. It will be a first come, first served basis. Shirts are \$20 a piece. You can see what the shirts look like above.

Available sizes:

Dark Blue: 2 XXL, 1 XL, 2 Medium, 4 Smalls Light Blue: 2 Large, 4 Medium, 2 Smalls

Thanks,

Class of 2020

National Spanish Exam:

Gold Medalists: 95th percentile and above

- Audrey Berger
- Teaghan Duff
- Emma Kennedy
- Marianna Mattin
- Martha Rand

Silver Medalists: 85th-94th percentile

- Annika Brink
- Julian Colville
- Tessa Devoe
- Ethan Driscoll
- Jackson Filosa
- Micah Galuski
- Isabelle Giglio
- Carina Jones
- Wesley Lathrop
- Aidan O'Flynn
- Lucy Platt
- William Russell
- Nicole Sindoni
- Sophia Stasiuk
- Kathryn Zelkowitz

Bronze Medalists: 75th-84th percentile

- Elsa Anderson
- Dmitrios Angell
- Brett Beaulieu
- Mya Cuevas
- Ciera Doherty-Crestin
- Jillian Gregory
- Zephan Keach
- Margot Kelly
- Alphonso Lopez
- Domenic Morello
- Raphaella Pastos
- Ava Warren
- Lauren Whynott
- Tucker Wile



IHS/IMS named US Department of Education Green Ribbon School For Environmental Efforts

Ipswich MS/HS has been recognized as a US Department of Education Green



Pictured above: Dr. Blake, Joanna Mullen, Lori LaFrance, Sarah Player, and Mass. Secretary of Education James Peyser at the State House.

Ribbon School, Seniors, Eva Capobianco and Joanna Mullen, filled out a detailed application for this prestigious status and were recently notified of the success. We now join only 14 other Massachusetts schools/districts that have this designation. The award recognizes schools that reduce environmental impact and costs; improve the health and wellness of schools. students, and staff; and provide effective environmental and sustaina-

bility education. Congratulations to all faculty, staff, students, and volunteers who work together to make our building healthier for the students and more sustainable environmentally. Eva and Joanna have been invited to Washington DC in September to receive the award.

The Ipswich Middle/High School Green Team is one of ten national winners of the annual U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's President's Environmental Youth Awards. They are invited to attend an award ceremony where student projects nationwide are honored for their efforts in July in Washington, DC.

The Ipswich Middle/High Green Team created a community garden to bridge the generations, providing community members of all ages with an opportunity to plant vegetables, flowers, and fruit trees on a previously under-utilized space outside the high school. They turned what was a barren island in the middle of acres of pavement into a vibrant oasis that welcomes students, staff, and visitors to the building on a daily basis.

The PEYA program promotes awareness of our nation's natural resources and encourages positive community involvement. Since 1971, the President of the United States has joined with EPA to recognize young people for protecting our nation's air, water, land and ecology. It is one of the most important ways EPA and the Administration demonstrate commitment to environmental stewardship efforts created and conducted by our nation's youth.

Great work by our students and their adult advisors Nicole Whitten and Amy Borgman. Congratulations Green Team!

IHS Engineering Race Teams Earned Spots at the Ten80 Education Racing Challenge National Finals in Texas

By winning the Boston Fall Regional competition, Ipswich race teams earned an invitation to the Student Racing Challenge national finals held at Texas A&M April 27-28. Students who were part of the Dirty Pistons and Astro racing teams competed in the event against thirty eight other high school teams from the US and China.

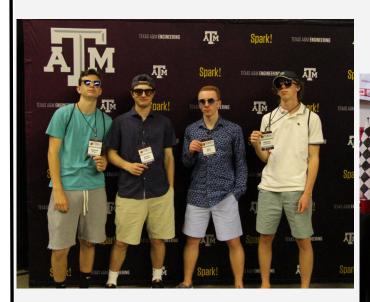
Students competed in race events, enterprise, graphic design, aerodynamic design and engineering design categories. 2019 was our seventh year competing in the event and the level of competition was at an all time high. Astro racing had the fastest lap time in the race events and the Dirty Pistons had the best result in wind tunnel testing. For engineering projects, Ipswich students created a dynamometer



for RC cars and a modular weight system to optimize chassis weight distribution.

For our juniors and seniors thinking about college, it was great to get a chance to see Texas A&M, which is the second largest university in the US with over 70,000 students. Overall it was a great experience and we look forward to the 2020 competition.

~ Submitted by Bill Gallant









SENIOR PROM~ CASTLE HILL~ THURSDAY, MAY 23RD



French Exchange Program brings IHS students to the French Riviera



Story and photo submitted by Al Craven

This past February break 12 IHS students along with Mr. Craven and Mrs. D'Angelo went on a 10 day linguistic and cultural program to Hyères, an historic town on the French Riviera. The 12 students were able to put their IHS world language skills to the test as they lived with French families for the duration of the stay and would have to communicate as best as they could with their hosting French peers. Not only did nine French students bravely choose to go on this challenging trip but there were also three Spanish students, Alyssa Terry, Ciera Crestin-Doherty, and Jessie Harrington who admirably jumped into the deep end having no prior experience with French. Over the course of the trip the students consistently demonstrated how well they could think critically, communicate effectively, and learn to appreciate a new culture different from their own.

Over the course of the program the students went on multiple field trips, starting off with a scavenger hunt through the medieval downtown area of Hyères. On this scavenger hunt students had to ask local shops about their bread selections, ask about the ingredients of certain cheeses at cheese

shops, find the construction dates of local medieval buildings, locate and describe Edith Wharton's summer villa, and manageto take videos of the American students communicating in French with locals. After this initial excursion the students went on to see the cities of Marseille, Toulon, and la Seyne-sur-Mer. While visiting these cities on the coast they were able to see the local farmer's markets, monuments, ports, castles, modern museums such at the MUCEUM of Marseille, and take a cable car to the top of le Mont Faron, the mountain overboking Toulon and its harbor. To finish the trip students attended a professional rugby game where they cheered on the Rugby Club de Toubn (three time European champions) as they got a big win again Castres.

The trip was a great success and students not only experienced the most rigorous and authentic language and culture opportunity available for an American high school student but they also learned life lessons about how to get along with others and how to travel. To sum up the program, we will cite our anonymous feedback form from the post-trip reunion with, "It was the most amazing trip I have ever been on. Being able to go to another country with some of my best friends was surreal. I absolutely loved the family I stayed with and by the end of the week I felt like I was part of the family. I made so many new friends, both American and French. The environment was so different from anything I had ever seen before. I remember when I first got there, I was in awe of every little thing, especially the architecture; it was unlike and better than anything I had imagined."

Thanks to the IHS administration, the Ipswich Education Foundation, the American and French families who made this possible, and most importantly thanks to the students who participated in this incredibly challenging program so that they may improve their language skills and gain a new perspective of the world. Merci à vous tous et toutes!

The JHS Jazz Band played a concert in Boston at the Hatch Shell on the Esplanade. Jt turned into a beautiful Sunday afternoon in May.







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Ipswich Public Schools 2019-2020 School Calendar

School Hours		
Elementary	8:40 AM	3:05 PM
Secondary	7:45 AM	2:21 PM

Important Dates			
August 26	Opening Day for Teachers		
August 27	Teacher Workshop		
August 28	First Day of School		
June 7	High School Graduation		
June 16	Last Day of School-181 days		
June 23	Last Day of School -		
	5 snow days		

Holidays and No School Days			
August 30	No School		
September 2	Labor Day		
October 14	Columbus Day		
October 15	Professional Development		
November 11	Veteran's Day		
November 28	Thanksgiving		
November 29	Thanksgiving Break		
December 23- January 3	Winter Holiday Break		
January 20	Martin Luther King Jr. Day		
February 17-21	Winter Break		
April 20-24	Spring Break		
May 25	Memorial Day		

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