

Newsletter 6 June 2025

Dear Parent/ Carer

The St Ivo Academy was very pleased today to welcome six members of the St Ivo Parents' Forum Steering Group into school: Maddy Dilley, Yasmin Finch, Amanda Mumford, Chris Norton, Julia Norton, and Rachel. The St Ivo Parent Forum has been working with the school over several months to understand what 'bonus' items teachers and students would like that could be provided through fundraising.

The school's student council requested extra benches, more bins, more footballs and table tennis balls and bats, whilst the mathematics department put in a bid for additional software. Some of the donation will also be targeted to the commissioning of student artwork for the refurbished sixth form common room.

The school is extremely grateful to the St Ivo Parent Forum for coordinating this fundraising initiative and thank each and every parent or carer who contributed to the £1,500 donation; this has been an amazing collaborative enterprise!



PAC update

The minutes from the Parent Advisory Council's last meeting in May are now available on the website: <https://www.astreastivo.org/pac-meetings/>

Just a reminder that the PAC are interested in moving to a system where we receive parent/ carer thoughts on particular topics in advance each time we meet. Also, those parents/ carers with a keen interest in joining the PAC meeting for a particular topic are welcome to do so by contacting pac@astreastivo.org. The main topic for discussion at the next meeting will be parents evenings. So, if you want to let the PAC know your thoughts on these in advance, or would like to join the debate, then please email us – thank you to those parents who have already done so!

Girls in mathematics summer school

Congratulations to Maya W, Aroush N, Sophia S and Deborah A in year 10 who have been accepted onto an incredibly competitive three-day maths course with Cambridge Maths School.

Over these three days the girls will spend time with like minded students delving deeper into the applications of maths and gaining a valuable insight into the world of STEM. This will include:

A trip to the Raspberry Pi Foundation where they will learn how mathematics is used in technology

Workshops demonstrating explicit uses of mathematics within the fields of biology, chemistry and physics

Team maths challenges where students will learn the importance of mathematical communication and collaboration

This is a wonderful achievement by our Year 10 students and we wish them the most enjoyable and educational experience.

Sixth form refurb update







In the next couple of weeks we will see the openings form for the Cafe area windows into the "Street" Atrium area, completion of the first fix for the ceilings, the start of the second fix of mechanical and electrical installations, and the installation of structural steel in the lower ground floor to create the new lobby for the understudy.

The rest of this week's newsletter covers Eco-Ivo news, information about the St Ives Youth Theatre summer production, a St Ives bowls club opportunity and NHS information for Year 9s 'getting ready for change'.

Have a great weekend.

Yours faithfully

Tony Meneagh

Principal

Eco-Ivo News

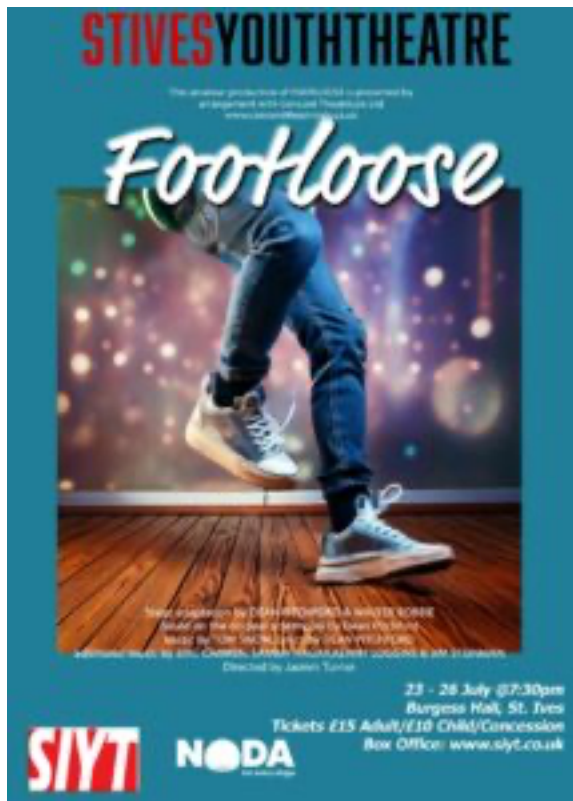
Next week is St Ives Green Week and as part of this we will be running a house litter picking competition. If you would like to volunteer to pick litter on behalf of your House please contact your house representative. Each house has been designated a day and litter picks will take place during morning registration.

In addition, for all of you keen cyclists at school the Co-op will be running a free bike health check and minor repairs, including bike marking on Wednesday 11 June until 4pm. You can also donate an old bike and they will fix it up and give it to someone in need for free!

There are lots of community events happening all over St Ives so do keep your eyes peeled for any interesting activities to get involved with!

HAF Programme

If your child receives free school meals, details of the [holiday activities and food programme](#) are now available.



SIYT summer production

Tickets are now on sale for the St Ives Youth Theatre summer production 'Footloose'. The production features current St Ivo students. Tickets can be purchased at <https://www.siyt.co.uk/>

St Ives bowls club opportunity

St Ives Lawn Bowls Club are providing an opportunity for students to try a free bowls taster session. All personal equipment such as bowls and shoes can be supplied.

If students are interested, please contact Mr Farr for more information dominic.farr@astreastivo.org.

Year 9 'getting ready for change'

Local NHS clinicians have created an online health questionnaire that can be students' 'getting ready for change' checklist and help them to understand their health as they move through secondary school. This invitation goes out to all young people living in Cambridgeshire or Peterborough who are aged 13-14 years.

It covers lots of points from hearing and eyesight through to emotional health and behaviour. Students can complete it on your mobile device or laptop. After answering just seven questions a summary report will be produced for with links to helpful information and support.

Students can access the questionnaire by using this link: <https://portal.cambspborocyphs.nhs.uk/GRfC/Year9>