

INSPIRATIONAL LEARNING ACADEMIES TRUST



FEBRUARY 2026 NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents/Carers

We hope you are keeping well as we approach the half way point in the academic year!

The month of January has already seen our international residential visit to Italy, with lots of other local and national visits having taken place.

Please find below many more school activities happening throughout the rest of this term and dates for our Easter Celebrations.

Yours sincerely

All the Team at the Inspirational Learning Academies Trust

Term Dates for This Term

School closes for half term on Thursday 12th February 2026

We reopen after the holiday on Monday 23rd February 2026.

The end of Term is Friday 27th March 2026. The summer Term starts on Monday 13th April 2026.



Parents evening

Spring Term parent's evening will be taking place on:

Monday 2nd March 2026 and Tuesday 3rd March 2026 - 3.30pm to 5.20pm.

Lots of Parent's have benefited from the convenience of online meetings via Teams, therefore we will continue to offer this on Tuesday 3rd March only.

You can book your Parent's evening appointments from Tuesday 24th February. You can do this by popping in to the school office or calling the school office.

Dougie Mac - sponsored walk

On Friday, our Head boy and girl from each site visited the Dougie Mac. They hand delivered the amazing fundraising total from our Autumn Term sponsored walk.

The Dougie Mac were overwhelmed with the money raised and the support you showed.



REMINDER - NEW SERVING HATCH AT WHITFIELD

From Monday 9th to Thursday 12th February 2026, there will be no cooking facilities whilst the contractors start the work on the new serving hatch at Whitfield. For these 4 days only, children will be served a packed lunch with a choice of tuna, cheese or ham sandwich. Accompanied with: Crisps (quaver/ wotsits/ teddy bear crisp), yoghurt tube, fruit and cookie. The cost per day £3.99 and £2.99 for Nursery children.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

EASTER BONNET CELEBRATIONS FOR EYFS (Nursery and Reception) and KS1 (Year 1 and 2)

Monday 16th March 2026 - Norton Easter Bonnet Parade

EYFS (Nursery and Reception) - 9.00am, KS1 (Year 1 and 2), 9.30am

Tuesday 17th March 2026 - Whitfield Valley Easter Bonnet Parade

EYFS (Nursery and Reception) - 9.00am, KS1 (Year 1 and 2), 9.30am

Wednesday 18th March 2026 - Newstead Easter Bonnet Parade

EYFS (Nursery and Reception) - 9.00am, KS1 (Year 1 and 2), 9.30am

Year 6 - SATS - Week commencing Monday 11th May

Year 6 Leaver's Assembly (9.00am) and Prom (from 5.30pm):

Newstead - Monday 13th July, 2026

Norton - Tuesday 14th July, 2026

Whitfield - Wednesday 15th July, 2026

A Polite Reminder

There are a small minority of parents/carers that think it is ok to shout and verbally abuse the staff teams both in person and over the telephone.

May we remind you that we are here to help and implement the government policies and procedures concerning education. We do not make the rules we have to follow them.

We do have a zero tolerance around such behaviour and will refer such behaviour to the board of directors who may take the decision to enforce a ban from the site.

We know that life can be very frustrating, it is for us too but please do not shout at us.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

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