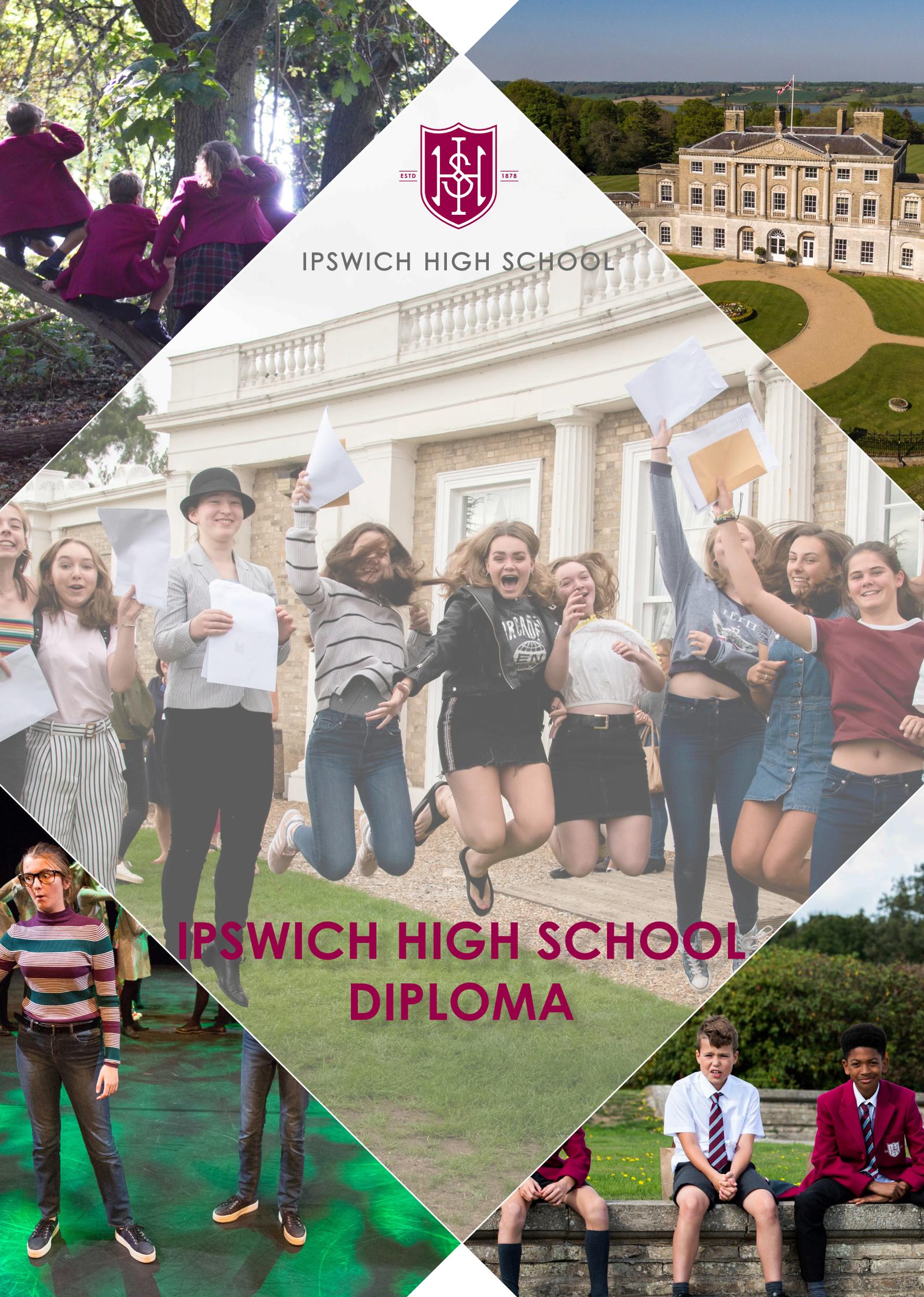


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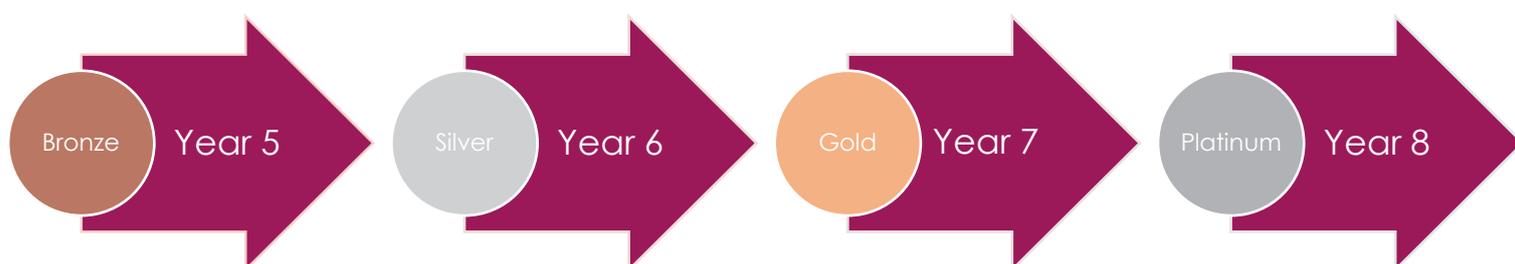
Ipswich High School Diploma

At Ipswich High School we take every opportunity to reward the many achievements of our pupils throughout the school.

The Ipswich High School Diploma will enable us to do so in a more formalised and aspirational way, inspiring pupils to aim high from Year 5 and continue their personal development as they move into the Senior School.

How does the Diploma work?

As pupils progress through the school they move up through the Diploma levels and receive associated badges upon completion of each stage.



The Diploma is distinct for each year group; if a pupil joins the school in Year 6, they can immediately start working towards the Silver Diploma.

The Diploma is weighted evenly between the Academic and Enrichment sections, giving us the opportunity to reward success both inside and out of the classroom.

For the Academic and Enrichment elements, a Distinction, Merit or Pass can be achieved. These are then combined to give an overall Distinction, Merit or Pass for the Diploma as illustrated in the table below.

		Academic		
		P	M	D
Enrichment	P	P	P	M
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The Academic Section

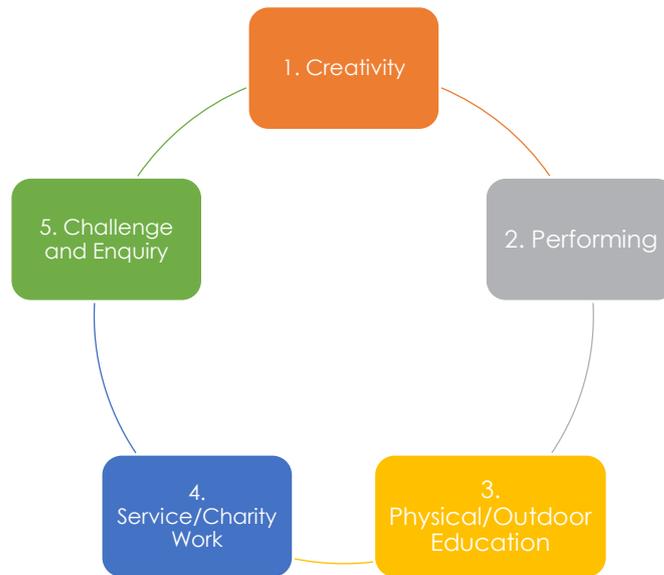
In the Prep School, points will be awarded using the reporting system already used by teachers. The points will give more weight towards English and Mathematics (as more curriculum time is spent on these subjects) however achievement across the curriculum will also be awarded.

In the Senior School, teachers will report on different levels of mastery which will again be assigned 'points'. This is reflective of the new reporting system used in the Senior School. This helps to ensure that academic reporting in the Prep School and Lower School in the Senior School is continuous, so that pupils and parents can see their progression clearly.



The Enrichment Section

Pupils will be credited under the following five categories:



Activities within the Enrichment Programme will be colour-coded to align with these categories to help ensure that pupils choose varied activities throughout the year.

The commitment of regular attendance in an enrichment activity, allocated to one of these categories results in a “pass”. Certificates of achievement awarded in the five different areas will enable pupils to obtain either a merit or distinction.

3-4 certificates of achievement across these categories would result in a Distinction, while 1-2 certificates of achievement would result in a Merit.

Pupils in the Prep School will evidence their achievements in their ‘COOL’ folder, along with specific pieces of work. The level of award is the class teacher’s judgement. There will be moderation between Year 5 and 6 teachers to ensure the grading is consistent.

Receiving the Diploma

All diploma awards will be awarded internally in an Assembly towards the end of the Summer Term.

Distinctions for both Prep and Senior School pupils will be awarded at Berner’s Day, to recognise their high achievements. Parents will be invited to attend to celebrate their child’s achievements.

More Information

Please contact Deputy Head, Mrs Griffiths for further information about the Diploma in the Senior School: N.Griffiths@ipswichhighschool.co.uk or Mrs Allen for information about the Diploma in the Prep School: C.Allen@ipswichhighschool.co.uk





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