

## Today's Prayer

Listen or read the Prayer for the Day and join in with thousands of others saying these words.

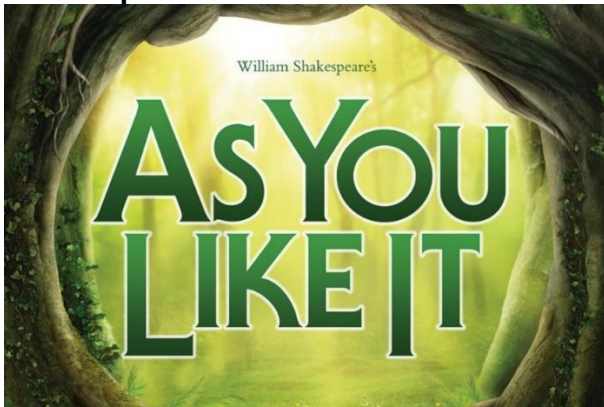
[Today's Prayer | The Church of England](#)

## 22/23 Issue No 22

Dear Parents and Carers

Congratulations to Oscar, Alyx and Eve in Year 9 for performing Hamlet and the Tempest with such panache at Colchester County High School for Girls as part of the English Speaking Union Shakespeare public speaking competition.

## Shakespeare Schools Festival 'As You Like It' at The Apex



Thirty one students from Years 8 and 10 will be taking part in Coram Shakespeare Schools Foundation's youth drama festival at The Apex. Join us on Wednesday 8 March 2023 for a thrilling theatrical event, featuring a series of abridged Shakespeare plays, performed by King Edward's students as well as other local schools [Tickets are available now from the Apex website](#) priced at £11.45.

## National Careers Week (NCW) 2023

[NCW2023](#) is next week. By shining a spotlight on all aspects of Careers, NCW aims to inform and inspire young people and their parents and carers about a wide range of career pathways and the attributes needed to access them. To get the ball rolling, take a look at the [Parents Guide](#) to National Careers Week 2023. We will be adding NCW2023 information and guidance

## Friday 3 March 2023

resources to our [Careers webpage](#) throughout the week so please do visit it regularly! **Xello Family Accounts update...** thank you to the 63% of parents and carers who have responded positively to setting up their Family Account in Xello. We will now process these permissions and will keep you posted on the next steps. If you missed the deadline and have now decided to sign up, please complete [this permission form](#) and submit it by Friday 17 March 2023.

## Cake Competition



We were incredibly impressed with the enthusiasm and quality of cakes entered into the competition. The winners were: Flo and Polly Ainsworth for 'most creative' and Rowan Sturgeon for 'best presented'. Overall house winners based on entries was RED!

Thank you to all the families that supported. If you are a cake maker please bring cakes to school (no nuts please) on Friday 17 March 2023 to sell in aid of Comic Relief. This time we'll get a chance to sample not just admire them!

### **English Schools Cross Country running championships**

Congratulations to Samuel Blackwell and Tom Taylor who have qualified for The English Schools Championships on Saturday 18 March 2023.

This is an annual national competition for students in England. To qualify for the event, students have raced in three cross country running heats and finished in the top eight for Suffolk in their age category. Well done to everyone who took part in all the races and to those who qualified for the Anglian race: Jacob Griffin, Isla Whiting, Jessica O'Brien and Archie Taylor. Your hard work and determination paid off.



### **Year 11 Girls in West Suffolk Cup Final!**

King Edward's Under 16 Girls Football Team have made the final of the West Suffolk Cup after a fantastic semi-final success against Samuel Ward at Haverhill Rovers FC.

The girls trailed their strong opponents 1-0 at half time but equalised through Ella early in the second half after good work from Izzy. They then withstood considerable pressure with captain Chelsea marshalling the defence and Tilly standing firm in goal. With five minutes to go a great move saw Ella put through on goal and the talented striker made no mistake to smash home the winner.

### **World Book Day news continues ...**

World Book Day aims to change lives through the love of books, but for those with dyslexia reading can be daunting and a struggle. The campaign offers a wide range of free audiobooks for all ages to ensure every child has the opportunity to enjoy storytelling.

Visit: <http://bit.ly/3GZvHlz> to access a library of free audiobooks.



'Read for Good' has been launched this week in school and is open to the whole school community.

You and/or your child can choose to participate through being sponsored to read a set number of books, or take part by reading a variety of books from home or from the library (now including over 300 brand new books and counting!). It's a great way to get back into regular reading or to improve your skills and knowledge base. Remember 'all reading is good reading', it's not about the number of words read, it's about improving skills and exploring new areas of interest.

If you choose to get sponsored, 20% of the money raised comes directly back to school for new books, the rest goes to provide books and learning resources for children in long-term care in hospitals. A truly worthy cause, [Read for Good](#) is a Charity working in partnership with Children in Need.

If your child is interested in signing up [please click here for more information](#) or see Mrs Peddel in the Library [sep@king-ed.suffolk.sch.uk](mailto:sep@king-ed.suffolk.sch.uk)

### A Night at the Movies

Don't forget to buy your tickets for our concert at 7pm on Monday 13 March 2023. Tickets are priced at £5.00-£6.00. Click the link or scan the QR code to get your tickets now!



<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/king-edward-vi-school/t-ealxnzq>



### Free School Meals update

All students who are currently receiving Free School Meals will continue to receive them until at least March 2025, regardless of any change in family circumstances. [Please click here](#) to read a letter from Suffolk County Council with further details.

### Red Nose Day – Friday 17 March 2023

Students will be able to donate £2.00 (via their tutor) to wear non-uniform (preferably something red) and a red nose if they wish to. You can donate to our JustGiving page by clicking here [King Edward VI School Comic](#)



[Relief Donations](#) [Click here to see where your money goes](#)

### Safeguarding



This week was County Lines Intensification Week. Officers from Suffolk Police spent time talking to students about the risks associated with Gangs and County Lines.

To support this intervention, please can you read the leaflet linked below and discuss further with your child. [partners leaflet.pdf \(suffolk.police.uk\)](#)

Have a great weekend from everyone at King Edward VI School.



Deri O'Regan

<b>Dates for your Diary</b>	
<a href="#">Term Dates for 2023-2024</a> and additional information can be found on the <a href="#">calendar page</a> of the website	
Wed 8 Mar 23	'As You Like It' at The Apex
Fri 10 Mar 23	Catchup HPV Vaccinations
Sat 11 Mar 23	Silver DofE Training Day
Mon 13 Mar 23	Spring Concert 'A Night at the Movies'
Thu 17 Mar 23	Non-Uniform in aid of Comic Relief (Red Nose Day)
Wed 22 Mar 23	Year 8 Parents' Evening 1
Thu 23 Mar 23	Year 8 Parents' Evening 2
Wed 29 Mar 23	All Years Open Mic
Fri 31 Mar 23	Year 9 Men ACWY/DTP Vaccinations
Sat 1 - Fri 14 Apr 23	Easter Holidays

**AN INTRODUCTION TO:  
'UNDERSTANDING ANXIETY  
IN NEURODIVERGENT  
CHILDREN' WORKSHOP**

**family action** Building stronger families

DELIVERED BY THE  
WEST SUFFOLK  
NEURODEVELOPMENTAL  
SUPPORT SERVICE

**DATE: 15TH MARCH**  
**TIME: 10-11AM**

**DATE: 16TH MARCH**  
**TIME: 6-7PM**

**LOCATION: VIRTUAL/ZOOM**

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON OUR  
SERVICES OR TO BOOK A PLACE  
CONTACT:

**PHONE: 01284 636655**  
**EMAIL: WSUFFOLK@FAMILY-ACTION.ORG.UK**

***Thought for the Week***  
**'Even if I knew that tomorrow the world would go to pieces,  
I would still plant my apple tree.'**  
*Martin Luther*

All past issues of this Newsletter are available [on our website](#).