



## Today's Prayer

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Dear Parents and Carers

Having a thriving alumni association is a wonderful thing and only common in the best schools. We are grateful for the support of the Old Burian's Association and would like to thank them for running their annual photo competition to support this art form. I'm sure all parents would agree that the outcomes this year are fabulous. Well done to all students who took part in a competition with exceptionally high standards.



**SECOND PRIZE** "Buoy and the Swans" by Callum - Callum's black and white photograph - a study in tones - creates a more tranquil mood and the textured effect of the foreground emphasises this.

**FIRST PRIZE**  
"Madeira" by Joshua.  
Joshua commented "I like how the light is coming through the Laurel forest and how the steps lead up and away".



**THIRD PRIZE** "Sunlight bursting through the trees" by Jacob - This extraordinary image capturing a brief moment when the sunlight strikes the branch of a tree and fans out brilliantly in every direction.



FOURTH PRIZE “Sculpture of Stones” by Charlotte - Charlotte may have carefully created this sculpture of stones herself, but it might well have previously been created by a previous coastal walker.

For next year, the subject of their competition will be: MOTION

[CLICK HERE](#) if you would like to learn more about the Old Burian’s Association. If any students require funding to enhance their education, [CLICK HERE](#) to learn more about their grants and how to make contact.

### National Apprenticeship Webinar - Thursday 25 May 2023 6- 6.30pm

Parents and Carers of current Year 10 students can book onto open events at our local and regional education and training colleges and schools to support you in making well-informed choices about your child’s post-16 future. Please visit the [Post 16 section](#) on our Careers webpage for links to these institutions.

The Apprenticeship webinar programme aims to help parents, carers and students explore alternative pathways onto a variety of careers. It will cover:

- Levels of apprenticeships and what they mean
- When to apply and what the process might look like
- What an apprenticeship might offer and the various careers it can lead into
- Top tips for your application. This month, hear from leading manufacturing organisation Nestle. Click [HERE](#) to register.

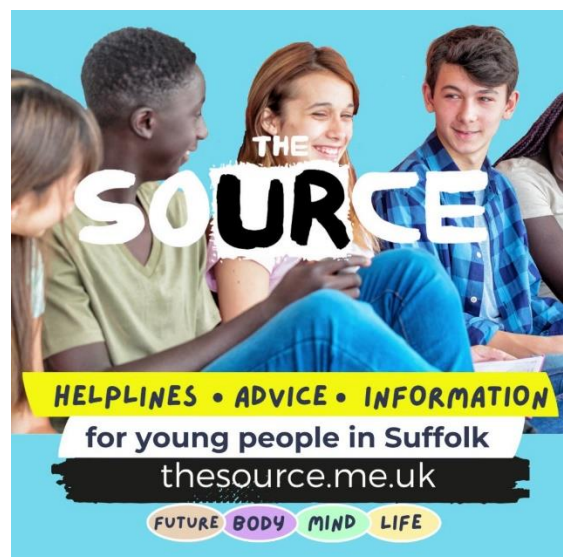
### Duke of Edinburgh Awards



Good luck to our Year 10 students participating in the Silver Duke of Edinburgh Practice Expedition this weekend in Woodbridge.

### Mental Health Awareness Week

The Source website for young people in Suffolk, aged 11-18 (up to 25 for young people with additional needs), has a ‘Your Mind’ section with a wide range of information and advice around common mental health problems. It includes a ‘Find help now!’ Emotional wellbeing directory of helplines and support services to help young people find places they can go to for wellbeing support. Please visit [www.thesource.me.uk/mind](http://www.thesource.me.uk/mind) [www.thesource.me.uk/wellbeing](http://www.thesource.me.uk/wellbeing)



### Year 11 - Topping Up Lunch Accounts

In preparation for Year 11 starting their Study Leave after half term, we will not be giving any lunch loans to Year 11 students on Thursday 25 and Friday 26 May 2023. Please make sure that your Year 11 child's lunch account is sufficiently topped up for these and any subsequent days, that they may want a school lunch. Your assistance is appreciated.



The poster features the King Edward VI School crest at the top, with the motto 'Respect | Aspiration | Creativity'. Below the crest, the text 'PERFORMING ARTS' is written in large, bold, white capital letters, and 'Summer Festival' is written in a large, white, cursive font. The background is a vibrant orange and red flame-like pattern. At the bottom, a black banner contains the text 'WEDNESDAY 28 JUNE 2023 6:30PM - 8:30PM PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE' in white capital letters.

### Transport To School - September 2023

Reminder: parents of students who currently receive school funded travel will need to complete an opt-in application for transport for September 2023 via [Suffolk on Board - School Travel / Opt-in \(apply\)](#). The deadline for applications is **31 May 2023**.



### Woman's FA Cup Final Trip

Thirty students, who all played for the school's football teams, enjoyed an inspirational trip to Wembley to watch the women's FA cup final, last weekend.



### Report a Concern

As a school, we are very keen to support our students accessing additional pastoral or safeguarding support when required and encourage them to seek support from their Tutor, Pastoral Support Manager or Head of Year. However, we are aware that sometimes seeking this support face-to-face can be a challenge, so the 'report a concern' button on our website, gives students online access to reach out for help too.

[Report a Concern](#)

Recently, we have had a few concerns added anonymously and have therefore struggled to offer additional support to those students.

Please can we ask you to remind your child that all these support options are available, however if they chose not to share their name using the online facility, they are limiting the help they can receive.

**Free Activities for Free-School-Meal Families and Children in May Half Term, at Abbecroft Leisure**

Abbecroft Leisure and Explore Outdoor have been working with West Suffolk and Babergh and Mid Suffolk to offer lots of exciting FREE events and activities open to children and families entitled to Free School Meals.

To book, either email: [HAF@acleisure.com](mailto:HAF@acleisure.com) confirming the session you want to book and the town you live in, or call: 01284 757495 and leave your name, number, town and session you want to book. (Voicemails are checked on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursday)

For more information please visit [www.acleisure.com/HAF](http://www.acleisure.com/HAF) or email [HAF@acleisure.com](mailto:HAF@acleisure.com) or call [01284 757495](tel:01284757495) and leave a name and number.

**FAMILY Park COOKING** EXPLORE OUTDOOR

**30th May - 2nd June**

Stowmarket  
Sudbury  
Hadleigh  
Woolpit  
Haverhill  
Bury st Edmunds

**FREE**  
For those who are eligible for free school meals or meet eligibility criteria

Adults and children take part in an amazing unique experience, away from the normal pressures of life.

These sessions include outdoor activities, outdoor cooking class with a lunch provided, a recipe book and videos, and a food box for a family of 4.

[www.acleisure.com/HAF](http://www.acleisure.com/HAF)

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**TEEN CHALLENGE** EXPLORE OUTDOOR

For young people aged 11 -16

10am -2pm

Haverhill Leisure Centre - 30th May

Axe Throwing X-Height Climbing

Newmarket Leisure Centre - 31st May

Climbing Combat Archery

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**ACTIVITIES UNLIMITED** EXPLORE OUTDOOR

**EXTREME ADVENTURE**

Days

For children aged 8-16

Stowmarket

2nd June

10am - 2pm

Axe Throwing  
Climbing  
Combat Archery

**£10**  
Per child for Activities unlimited members / Young Carers / Children registered with SEND

These sessions are subsidised by Activities Unlimited and aimed at young people with levels of disability need 1/2 who can operate independently.

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## Suffolk Parent Carer Forum



Everyone at King Edward VI wishes you a fantastic weekend.

Deri O'Regan

### Who are Suffolk Parent Carer Forum?

We are a group of parent carers who have come together to build the forum so that we can help shape the provisions and services our children and young people with special/additional needs and/or disabilities access. We do this through participation, consultation and co-production.

### What are our aims & objectives?

- To be the strategic consultative body within Suffolk and represent the voices of families with children and young people with special/additional needs and/or disabilities.
- Providing a liaison point for Statutory and Voluntary Agencies within Suffolk by using Experts by Experience to work in co-production with local services.
- To consult with and inform our membership with a view to ensuring that all children and young people in Suffolk with special/additional needs and/or disabilities meet their full potential and achieve the best possible outcomes.

### How can you contact us?

Call us: 01473 760933  
 Find us: [www.suffolkpcf.co.uk](http://www.suffolkpcf.co.uk)  
 Email us: [info@suffolkpcf.co.uk](mailto:info@suffolkpcf.co.uk)  
 Tweet us: [www.twitter.com/suffolkpcf](https://www.twitter.com/suffolkpcf)  
 Like us: [www.facebook.com/suffolkpcf](https://www.facebook.com/suffolkpcf)



<b>Dates for your Diary</b>	
<u><a href="#">Term Dates for 2023-2024</a></u> and additional information can be found on the <u><a href="#">calendar page</a></u> of the website	
Mon 22 May	Extended Tutorial Week – Relationships
Mon 29 May – Sun 4 June	Half Term
Fri 2 June	Year 10 WWI Battlefields History Trip
Tues 13 – Fri 16 Jun 23	Year 9 & 10 Paris Trip
Thurs 29 June	Year 11 Prom
Monday 3 July	PD Day

### ***Thought for the Week***

“People do not seem to realise that their opinion of the world is also a confession of their character.”

Ralph Waldo Emerson

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