

Weekly Parent Newsletter

Today's Prayer

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Dear Parents and Carers

We are currently putting the new Student Leadership Team together and I look forward to introducing them, however, this week I would like to thank the diligent work undertaken by the outgoing Student Leaders this year. Katie, Jessica, Arthur, Theo, Ellie and Alfredo have done a super job and significantly enhanced the life of the school this year. Highlights of their work include inspirational leadership during our open days, looking after Year 7's for the inaugural Year 7 Welcome event at the Cathedral and raising awareness for mental health support and period products. Their lasting legacy will no doubt be the highly innovative model of student voice which they introduced.

Determined to establish a better model of student voice they proposed a new structure to the school. This involved a three-weekly cycle of Year Councils, Whole School Council and School Parliament. Using this model of student led change, they managed to bring back paninis for some days, hot soup drinks in the winter, more benches for students to sit on and raising awareness of issues of equality across the curriculum.

We are exceptionally grateful for their efforts and look forward to the new Student Leadership Team continuing their good work.

Parent Consultation

Further to last week's Newsletter, thank you again to all Parents and Carers who took the time to feedback on our school values and vision. To follow this up we are holding two events for parents:

Monday 19 June in school from 7pm - 8.30pm
The meeting will be held in the Library.
Parents/Carers can access the school via the

Parents/Carers can access the school via the Grove Road or Spring Lane entrances.

Friday 16 June 2023

Thursday 22 June online via Teams from 7pm - 8.30pm

Click here to join the meeting Meeting ID: 319 795 476 511

Passcode: wXtgUz

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Please email admin@king-ed.suffolk.sch.uk to confirm if you would like to attend either the in school or Teams meeting regarding the school's Vision and Values.

Chemistry Competition to Abbeygate Sixth Form College

On Wednesday a group of 15 Year 10 students went over to Abbeygate Sixth Form College to take part in a Chemistry competition day. They had to complete four practical activities to identify mystery substances. They were not only assessed on accurately identifying the mystery substances, but also on their organisational skills, teamwork and time management. There were eight teams taking part in total, from three different schools, and one of our teams finished in 3rd place. Well done to all involved.







Tchoukball UK National Youth Final

Seven of our students took part in Tchoukball UK National Youth Final on 10 June in Loughborough. This was the first time some team members had played. We are delighted the team came in fourth and look forward to much success over the coming years.





School Games Outdoor Adventure eventEight local schools took part in a Climbing,
Combat Archery and Orienteering event, run by

Abbeycroft Explore Outdoor instructors at the Track. The event was a huge success and very much enjoyed by our students.





Jo Churchill MP

A number of our Key Stage 3 students participated in a Coronation Card competition, organised by MP Jo Churchill. The participants received a signed letter and certificate for taking part.



JO CHURCHILL MP Member of Parliament for Bury St Edmunds



I wanted to thank students at King Edward VI for their participation in my recent Coronation Card competition. As the Bury St Edmunds MP, it was wonderful to see such an impressive display of creativity and enthusiasm.

There were many exceptional submissions, which showcased unique interpretations of the theme. Choosing a winning design was no easy feat, as entries had an impressive level of skill and talent. However, I am delighted to announce that the winning design has been sent as a card, to the King and Queen to convey our community's warmest wishes for the Coronation.

I also want to acknowledge all participants with a certificate. Hopefully this competition has encouraged them to continue with their creative interests and I look forward to seeing more of their work in the future.

Kind regards,

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Jo Churchill

Vice Chamberlain of HM Household and Member of Parliament for Bury St Edmunds

Sexism and Misogyny

In line with our assemblies this week, focusing on the sexism and misogyny, we thought it would be helpful to share a factsheet to raise awareness of the ever-growing misogynistic community that children are accessing. CLICK HERE for the Factsheet

Having conversations early and routinely will makes a difference. This factsheet provides detailed information and some tips to help you to challenge this unacceptable behaviour

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Everyone at King Edward VI would like to wish you a super sunny weekend.

Deri O'Regan

Dates for your Diary	
Term Dates for 2023-2024 and additional information	
can be found on the <u>calendar page</u> of the website	
Mon 19 Jun 23	Careers Focus Week
Thurs 29 Jun	Post-16 Taster Day at West Suffolk College and Abbeygate Sixth Form College
Thurs 29 Jun 23	Year 11 Prom
Mon 3 Jul 23	PD Day
Thurs 6 Jul 23	Sports Day
Mon 10 – Fri 14 Jul 23	Year 7 Thorpe Woodlands Trips

Thought for the Week

Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter.

Martin Luther King

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