



## 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](#)

**23/24 Issue No 2**

**Friday 15 September 2023**

Dear Parents and Carers

This week saw our new Year 7 students visit the Cathedral for their formal welcome event into the school. They were supported by Prefects from Year 11 throughout the trip and several members of the Senior Prefect team spoke, giving advice on settling in and on how to be successful in their learning at King Edward VI School.

We were treated to some amazing music performances from Florence (Year 10), Sylvia (Year 9), Mariana (Year 11) and our new Musician in Residence, Mr McVey.

Head of Year 7 Mr Young, talked about preparing our students for life's journey while The Dean, Joe Hawes, explained the deep history between the school and the Cathedral, and that the Cathedral is there for everyone.



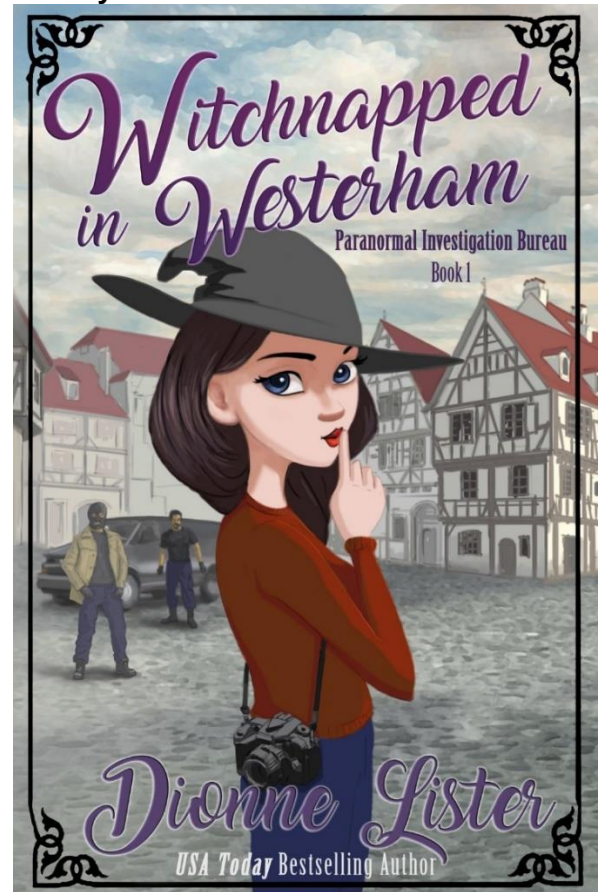
## Vaccinations

Please [CLICK HERE](#) for an important letter regarding vaccinations taking place in school this term.

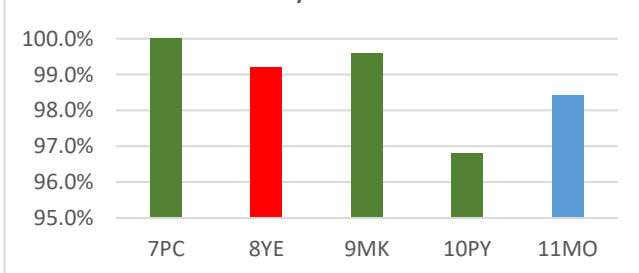
## School Photographs

School photographs for Years 7, 9 and 11 will take place on Monday 25 September 2023. If your child is in Year 8 or 10 and has arrived in school since the start of the last academic year, their photographs will also be done. Please remind your child that they should bring a school jumper that day, and that they need to look extra smart!

## Free Author Event in Bury St Edmunds Library



Top Tutor Group Attendance, by year



On Saturday 23 September, Dionne Lister is coming to talk about her 'Paranormal Investigation Bureau' series. It is a FREE lunchtime event (12.30pm start), and there will be pizza and pop available for all attendees. At the event, the Library will be launching a monthly Young Adult book group, aged 12-18yrs. Please see link below to this Suffolk Libraries event (free, but booking is required) as well as a flyer each for the Dionne Lister event and the future book group.

<https://www.suffolklibraries.co.uk/whats-on/in-conversation-with-author-dionne-lister-bury>

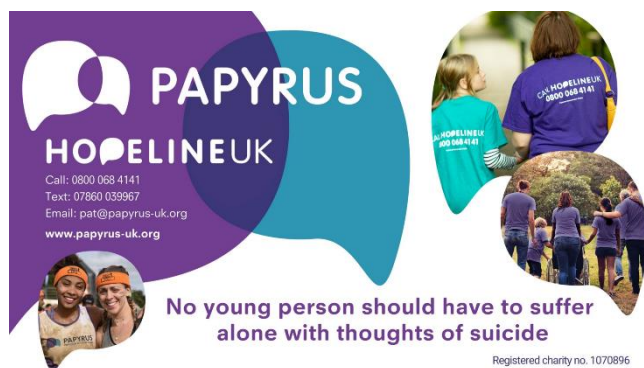
### Message from our Safeguarding Team

The 10 September 2023 was World Suicide Prevention Day, in line with this we would like you to take time with your child to watch the following one-minute clip from Papyrus and discuss its important message.

<https://youtu.be/hrrhP68fYJ0>

Online bullying is a contributing factor for many young people having thoughts of suicide and over 200 schoolchildren die by suicide every year in the UK. We need everyone to be aware of the impact that online bullying can have on children and young people's mental health.

Bullying affects young people in many different ways. It can impact on their self-esteem, emotional wellbeing, education and life outside of school. Those experiencing bullying may feel self-conscious, embarrassed, or feel that they aren't 'worth' help. They may feel scared, sad or overwhelmed, and find it difficult to sleep or eat. Many young people who have been bullied find it really hard to ever feel safe or confident in anything they do, leading them to isolate themselves from others and give up the things they enjoy doing.



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Call: 0800 068 4141  
Text: 07860 039967  
Email: pat@papyrus-uk.org  
www.papyrus-uk.org

No young person should have to suffer alone with thoughts of suicide

Registered charity no. 1070896

Do you know what your child is reading or witnessing online and how it may be impacting on their mental health?

### Music Meeting

Please see note below from our Music Department, please encourage your child to come along on Tuesday

# MUSIC MEETING

10.35am - Tues 19 Sept

PAC Hall

For all students in all years who:

- ✓ play an instrument
- ✓ like to sing
- ✓ have instrumental lessons
- ✓ are doing GCSE Music

See you there 😊

### British Sign Language Courses



**COME AND LEARN**  
**BRITISH SIGN LANGUAGE**

Wednesday 6PM - 7.30PM  
40 Week Course - £300 - Term Time Only

- Taught by qualified BSL tutor with 20yrs experience.
- Immersive and fun interactive sessions
- Meet new friends and enjoy the visual world of gesture and sign
- Work towards and receive a nationally recognised qualification at your own pace
- All Signature qualifications are accredited by Ofqual
- Face to face sessions
- Tea/Coffee facilities available
- 30 places available
- 20% Deposit to book your place

Contact: Mrs Talbot  
SET@king-ed.suffolk.sch.uk  
For further information and to start your journey!

Enrolment form 







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BRITISH SIGN LANGUAGE LEVEL 2



6PM - 8PM - King Edward School

34 Sessions - Oct to July 24 - £425 - Starts Oct 23

- Taught by qualified BSL tutor with 20yrs experience.
- Immersive and fun interactive sessions
- Meet new friends and enjoy the visual world of gesture and sign
- Work towards and receive a nationally recognised qualification at your own pace
- All Signature qualifications are accredited by Ofqual
- Face to face sessions
- 12 places available



Contact: Mrs Talbot  
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For further information and confirm your place!



Everyone and King Edward VI School wishes you a fantastic weekend.

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<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	
25 Sept	School Photographs
27 Sept	Year 10 Success Evening
4 – 5 Oct	Flu Vaccinations
5 Oct	Open Evening
23 – 27 Oct	Half Term

Thought for the Week

**“Some people will never like you because your spirit irritates their demons.”**  
**Denzel Washington**

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