



Today's Prayer

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Dear Parents and Carers

Please ensure that your child has a large outdoor waterproof coat, with a zip or buttons all the way down for the winter. It is essential that all students are warm when outside before school, at break, lunch and moving between lessons.

Parents should check that their son/daughter has a reading book and should send them to the Library before school to take out a new book if they don't currently have one. We have recently just restocked our collection, with a range of wonderful new books.

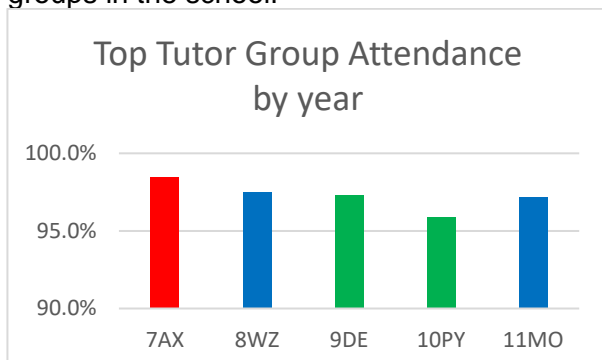
Exams - Year 11 mock exam timetables

The individual timetables for the Year 11 mock exams have now been completed and have been emailed to all students using their school email account. Please check with your son/daughter that they have received these via their school email account. An additional assembly about mock exams will be held on Wednesday 8 November 2023.

[CLICK HERE](#) for the content for mock exams taking place throughout November.

Tutor Group Attendance Table

Congratulations to the top attendance tutor groups in the school!



French Exchange Students Visiting



This week, the school was happy to welcome five French exchange students from Bury Language School. They shadowed five of our Year 11 French language students throughout the week, in and out of lessons. *Un grand merci* to Ryan, Chloe, Jessica, Oberon and Toby for accompanying them, it looks like they made new friends! Our visitors felt welcomed and enjoyed being part of our school. A great way for all students involved to discover and learn about the differences between French and English schools.

Literacy Festival – Open Mic!



On Friday 20 October, three of our students presented their poems at the Bury Literature Festival open mic night. The students did us proud not only with three incredible poems, but by standing up and sharing their creations with a large crowd of strangers.

Royal British Legion - Poppy Appeal 2023



Student Services have a supply of poppies available for students on presentation of a donation (50p is a recommended minimum). We would be grateful if you would encourage your child to come and get one to help us maximise the fundraising opportunity the Poppy Appeal provides.

Under 14 Boys Football Result - Stowmarket 1-5 King Edward VI

The Under 14s are into the quarter final of the West Suffolk Cup after an impressive 5-1 win at Stowmarket on Wednesday.

Kruz was the star of the show with four goals, which included two direct free kicks. Ned added the other. Captain Troy, winger Josh and centre-back Jesse on debut, all impressed, whilst the full squad got game time with 16 players used on the night.

The team will now face Mildenhall, at home, for a place in the semi-finals

King Edward Learning Support Hub



We would like to invite parents to our first Learning Support Hub - Parent Connect Event. On Thursday 30 November, we will be hosting an event in school where families who have children with autism or autistic traits can get together and talk and support each other. Family Line, a charity who support families with autistic children, will be at the event to offer support and guidance. [CLICK HERE](#) for information on Family Line

We would like as many families to connect as possible. We will be hosting one event, but we would like to know if people would prefer to attend an event at 9.am-10.30am or 3pm-5pm. Please complete this survey if you would like to attend: <https://forms.office.com/e/V2kJY6GtxU>

West Suffolk's Neurodevelopmental Support Service [CLICK HERE](#) for information on West Suffolk's Neurodevelopmental Support Service (WSNDSS)

Youth Parliament

Suffolk UK Youth Parliament
Elections for new members

We need you!

Could you represent young people in your area and make a difference? Why not nominate yourself to be a Member of Youth Parliament?

11–18 year olds in Suffolk are invited to apply to stand for election to be one of Suffolk's four Members of Youth Parliament. Suffolk is a large and diverse county; therefore, we would really like to reach those young people who may be from an under-represented group. We need to receive nominations by 17 November 2023. Visit this link for all information and application form: [Would you like to join the UK Youth Parliament? - The Source](#)

Suffolk Vaccination Team

[CLICK HERE](#) for a letter from the vaccination team, regarding vaccination catch up clinics.

[CLICK HERE](#) to book onto one of the Psychology in Schools Parent Workshops taking place throughout the year.



YA Book Group

Our local Library in Bury St Edmunds is forming their very first YA book group. This is a group for 12 – 15 year olds and is designed to encourage the love of reading for pleasure. Their first meeting on Saturday 4 November 2pm - 3pm. This is a great opportunity for both book worms and reluctant readers alike.

SUFFOLK LIBRARIES

WHERE I BELONG

YA Book Group For ages 12-15

We will be discussing 'Heartstopper: Vol. 1' by Alice Oseman at our first meeting on Saturday 4th November, 2-3pm.

Come and join us for a friendly discussion and meet new people!



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Kooth



Young people aged 11-25 can use Kooth to seek support or advice on any topic they wish. From managing their feelings or coping with exam stress. Support in relation to bullying and eating disorders is also available as is advice on suicidal thoughts or handling sexual abuse. Kooth allows young people to provide each other with support through online forums. It also provides the ability to contribute to self-help articles and content.

Qualified counsellors are online seven days a week to provide those using the service with online counselling. This could be through chat-

based messaging via drop-in or booked sessions. Young people can also track their mood with a goals tracker as well as note their thoughts in an online journal.

This is a free online service, please encourage your child to create an account at if you feel it could be helpful www.kooth.com or [CLICK HERE](#) the FAQ guide for parents if you have further questions about this service.

Area SEND inspection for Suffolk Local Area Partnership



Ofsted and the Care Quality Commission (CQC) are visiting your area to inspect the local arrangements for children and young people with special education needs and disabilities (SEND). The inspectors want to know about the help and support that children and young people with SEND get. You can tell us by filling in a survey below. Your answers are confidential.

The surveys will close at 9am on 7 November 2023.

If you are a parent or carer of a child or young person with SEND please complete this survey. If you have more than one child with SEND you can use the same link to complete a separate survey for each child.

[Take the parent and carer survey](#)

[Take the parent and carer survey \(Easy Read version\)](#)

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

Deri O'Regan

Dates for your Diary Term Dates for 2023-2024 and additional information can be found on the calendar page of the website	
8 Nov	Metamorphosis Drama Trip
10 Nov	Remembrance Service – Y9 & Y10
24 Nov	Report 1 published
27 Nov	Silverstone Trip Years 8,9,10
29 Nov – 1 Dec	Year 7 Parents Evening

Thought for the Week

“Leave the roads; take the trails.”

Pythagoras

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