



Today's Prayer

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Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you to all who supported the Prefect team in their Open Mic night fundraiser. I'm delighted to inform you that £500 was raised for the Year 11 Prom. More importantly, the quality of the performances was superb, with a wide range of covers from Amy Winehouse to Frank Sinatra to Foo Fighters, entertaining a packed Performing Arts Centre. If your child is interested in forming a band, please tell them to speak to their Music teacher for advice.



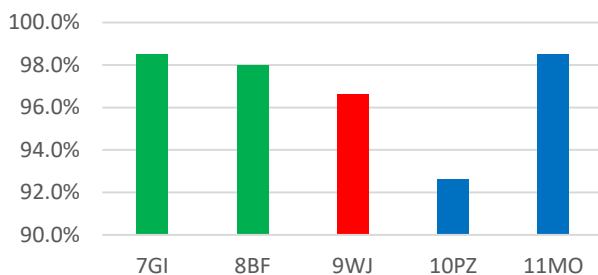
Fantastic to read some of the feedback received: *"You guys all smashed it!!! I'm going to miss doing this with all you amazing people, thanks for all the incredible memories guys"* - Cast Member



"Well done to everyone. Thank you to all the teachers and I think we should also say a well done to the other school they did amazing!!" - Cast Member

"I just wanted to say how much we enjoyed last night. It was absolutely fantastic, very funny and clever and it looked as if everyone on stage was just having the best time." - Parent

Top Tutor Group Attendance by year



Shakespeare Schools Festival

The cast and crew were phenomenal in Monday's *Twelfth Night - Reimagined*, they did KEVI proud.

Well done to you all!! Thanks to both Mrs Manchett and Mrs Dunning for all their help and to our parent helper Simon Howes.



Duke of Edinburgh Awards

We had a successful Bronze training day last Saturday, preparing for the summer expeditions.



Duke of Edinburgh Silver training day is **Tomorrow** (9 March) 9am - 3pm in school. If you would like to ask any questions about the Silver or Bronze awards, you can attend one of the following Q&A sessions:

- Parents for Silver: Monday 11 March, 5pm [Join meeting](#)
- Parents for Bronze (rescheduled): Wednesday 13 March, 5pm [Join conversation \(microsoft.com\)](#)

You can also ask questions to dofe@king-ed.suffolk.sch.uk

Road Safety

Recently, staff have noticed a large number of students not looking as they cross the entrance to the Spring Lane car park. This is particularly noticeable in the mornings when everyone arrives at school. Many students have been seen with headphones in, and as cars don't always make a lot of noise (particularly electric ones), it's really important that they are looking before crossing that stretch of road. Please remind your children to stop, look and listen when crossing roads.

GCSE Drama Performances

Year 11 Drama Students will be performing their Exam pieces on 22 March 2024. If parents/carers would like to watch the performances, please email Mrs Manchett on glm@king-ed.suffolk.sch.uk for further details.

We would also like to invite Year 10 Drama students to watch the performances so that they can get an idea of what to expect next year,

again please email Mrs Manchett on glm@king-ed.suffolk.sch.uk for further details.

Art & Design Saturday Club

Suffolk New College have an opportunity for creative students ideally aged between 13-16. The Art & Design Saturday Club enables students to explore a range of specialist art and design techniques including: drawing, painting, mixed media, printmaking, textiles, 3D modelling and photography. Please see the link for more information.

[Suffolk New College - National Saturday Club \(saturday-club.org\)](http://SuffolkNewCollege-NationalSaturdayClub(saturday-club.org))

Year 11 Parents - Strategies for Success Event

[CLICK HERE](#) for a copy of the invitation sent to Year 11 Parents this week

How to Revise?

Mrs Farrow will be running a weekly, How to Revise Session for Year 11 students. The sessions will focus on techniques which have been proven to support students who are Dyslexic, Autistic or have ADHD. If you would like to sign up for the sessions please email Mrs Farrow

Would you like to learn how to revise?

Wednesday Mornings from 8-8.40 in the Library.

Mrs Farrow will be running a weekly *How to Revise* session every Wednesday morning. If you would like to sign up for these sessions please email Mrs Farrow.

Breakfast foods will be available

Email: Mrs Farrow to secure your place: fy@king.ed.suffolk.sch.uk

Fidget Toys

Students can only use a fidget toy in class if they have been given a Fidget Pass by the Learning Support Team. Those with fidget passes should be using one of three small fidgets. Please see below. Please do not allow your child to bring in

Fidget toys unless this has been discussed and agreed with the Learning Support Team.



THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A TOY AND A TOOL

Fidget toy	Fidget tool
Distracts you	Helps you focus
Heightens your emotions	Helps you self-regulate your mood and emotions
Makes lots of noise	is used quietly
Prevents you from working	is put aside or used in your non-writing hand when you need to work
Kicks in the air or across the floor often	is kept in your hand or on your desk
Are appropriate at break and social times where games and play are encouraged.	Are appropriate for learning sessions, assessments or independent study

Liv Fundraising in School

On Wednesday we are holding a biscuit sale in school, to raise money in support of Mr Sammy Hepper's upcoming project at South African children's home Liv Village.

LIV is a long-term cluster foster care village that cares for 160 orphaned or vulnerable children by placing them in a home with a foster mother to love them and a community around them. [CLICK HERE](#) for more details.



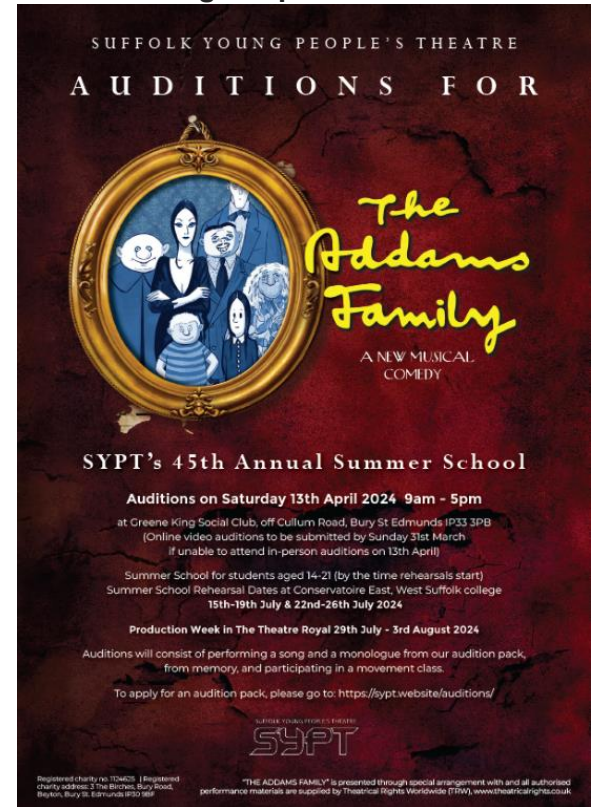
If you would like to support this important charity and enjoy some amazing biscuits please send your child in with some cash!

YOUR DONATIONS will go towards re-creating the balance bikes track; laying grass and plants;

repainting the play area with hopscotch & similar games; murals. The funds can also help us employ two labourers to assist the heavy laying.

If you would like to support us you can do so here. All donations gratefully received!
<https://www.justgiving.com/page/sammy-hepper-and-team-at-liv-durban>

Suffolk Young People's Theatre



This year's musical is to be The Addams Family. Besides an industry trained production team, this year's production will also be supported by 14 professional musicians. In person auditions will be on Saturday 13th April, or if unable to attend this, we are asking for on line submissions by 31st March. I attach an A4 poster with all relevant information and one that is designed for emailing out. On-line applications are now open.

KOOTH

KOOTH offers **24/7 instant access** to anonymous and personalised mental health support to young people across the UK.



In April KOOTH are also running free webinars specifically to **help parents and carers support children sitting exams**. To access more information, please click the following links:

[Mon 22 Apr. 1-2pm](#)

[Thu 25 Apr. 6-7pm](#)

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



Deri O'Regan

Dates for your Diary	
Term Dates for 2023-2024 and Term Dates for 2024-2025 .	
Additional information can be found on the calendar page of the website	
Sat 9 March	International Competition for Young Debaters – Cambridge University
Wed 13 March	Rotary High School Public Speaking Competition
Wed 13 March	Year 11 Parents Information Evening
Wed 20 March	Year 11 GCSE Drama Exams
Wed 20 – Thurs 21 March	Year 8 Parents Evening
Thurs 28 March	End of term
Mon 15 April	Start of the Summer Term

Thought for the Week

**Truth sounds like hate to those who hate truth.
Proverbs 9: 7-8**

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