

Weekly Parent Newsletter

Today's Prayer

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Today's Prayer | The Church of England

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Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to a new academic year! We have been very excited to have everyone back in school this week. On Wednesday we welcomed our new Year 7s into the school, as proud King Edwardians, I'm pleased to report that they have made a great first impression. Just as exciting, has been to welcome other year groups back on Thursday; the school is now in full swing for an Autumn Term, packed full of learning and enrichment opportunities.

We are sad, however, to lose our Year 11s from last year, but we are so proud of them as we send them off to Abbeygate and West Suffolk College with some spectacular exam results.

There were some great successes, such as Sarah, who transferred from The Republic of Ireland in September, and has managed to achieved 4 grade 5s and 3 grade 4s despite only starting GCSEs 9 months ago.



The top-level performance this year at GCSE was phenomenal, with Megan achieving a stunning 9 grade 9s! Jack was close behind with 8 grade 9s.

Year 7 Parents Evening

All Year 7 parents are expected to attend the school next week on Wednesday evening to receive important information on how to support your Year 7 learner.

School Photographs

School photographs for Years 7, 9 and 11 will take place on Monday 15 September 2025, and includes a Year 11 group photograph. 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 taken. Please remind your child that they must bring a school jumper that day, and that they need to look extra smart!

Our top achieving students were:

•	Meral	99888877776	
•	Claudia	8888777777	
•	Isla	99888888888	
•	Evie	9998888877	
•	Angus	99888888777	
•	George	9988888777	
•	Dorothy	99999988887	
•	Jack	999999988	
•	Bronwyn	9998888887	
•	Lara	9998887777	
•	Harry	99999888887	
•	Amias	9888877777	
•	Jared	9887777776	
•	Megan	999999998	
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The Head Girl Beth (who got 9 grades 7-9) said, 'I'm so proud of everyone. Everyone has worked so hard and should be proud of whatever they've achieved'.



The Head Boy Amias said, 'I'm pretty happy with how everything has gone this year. Everyone has helped each other and supported each other not getting too stressed out with the huge amount of

revision required'.



We are also equally proud of every student who worked their very best overcoming Covid and managed to secure their dream college course for next year.







Welcome Year 7
Click the link to our Facebook page for more photos: King Edward VI School Facebook









Welcome Back Everyone What a beautiful September morning! Well done to all our students for making such a super start to the academic year.













Uniform Expectations

As we begin the new term, we would like to remind you of our uniform expectations. These rules help us maintain high standards, a sense of belonging, and a focus on learning.

- Students should be wearing shoes not trainers.
- Trousers must be worn at the waist and not showing any undergarments, shorts or tracksuit bottoms underneath.
- Skirts must be knee length and if they don't reach the knee after being unrolled, a longer one needs to be purchased.

 Only one small stud in each ear is permitted. Facial piercings are not allowed. If a piercing is still healing it is the student's responsibility to ensure a clear plastic retainer is worn

Thank you for working with us to uphold the uniform requirements.

Shanghai 2025

Join us in welcoming our Chinese guests from 27 September to 4 October 2025. We are planning a variety of activities, meals and trips during this week and would like to invite you to take part in giving our guests an experience they will enjoy and remember. The invitation is open for Year 8, 9 and 10 students to get involved. Please email shanghaivisit@king-ed.suffolk.sch.uk if your child would like to be involved in this year's visit. CLICK HERE for a copy of the parent letter sent out in July for further details.

Lost Property - help us return items to their rightful owners!

We do our very best to return lost property to it's rightful owners as quickly as possible. When a named item is found, we will notify the student and their parent/carer so they can collect it from Reception. However, due to limited storage space, we are unable to hold on to items indefinitely—so please encourage your child to collect any missing belongings as soon as possible.

Too often, items are found without names, making it difficult to return them. To help us reunite items with their owners:

- Please ensure your child's belongings are clearly labelled with their name.
- If your child loses something, remind them to retrace their steps and check in the lost property area.

Students can visit the lost property area before school, during break or lunch, or after school.

Important: Lost property from the Autumn Term will be kept until **Friday**, **19 December 2025**. Any unclaimed items will be donated to charity after this date.

For more information, please visit the Lost Property page on our school website:

https://www.kinged.suffolk.sch.uk/essentials/lost-property/

Thank you for your continued support in helping us manage lost property efficiently!

Flu Vaccinations

Flu Vaccinations are taking place in school on Monday 6 and Monday 13 October. This year, the vaccination team will see all students in the school, and time slips will be allocated to everyone. Therefore, we strongly advise you to complete the consent form to indicate whether or not you consent. Click the link to complete the form. Consent Form. Further information has also been sent to all parents and carers by email yesterday.

Woodland Trust Green Trees for Schools Award

We are delighted to share that as a school we have been awarded our silver level as part of the Woodland Trust Green Trees for Schools Award. This has been through the combined efforts of Eco-Club and Gardening club and we now continue to promote further sustainability activities this year.



Ed's Eco-Club

Stronger Starts.

The Eco-club still has the Tesco community grant active in the Bury

St. Edmunds branch and is active until 30 Sept 25. We are trying to raise funds for more outdoor bins aiding the students to keep the school tidy and supporting them to become more active and responsible citizens.

It would be fantastic if all users of Tesco could spread the word and ensure they add as many blue tokens as possible to the King Edward section in store.



Community Support and Activities



Norfolk and Suffolk

NHS Foundation Trust

Free parent/carer online workshops this Autumn

term

Topics:

- Supporting young people (11+) with big feelings.
- Supporting young people who self-harm.
- Supporting young people with challenging behaviour.
- Supporting young people with anxiety.
- Supporting young people with low mood.
- Supporting young people manage uncertainty.
- Supporting children/adolescents (11+) with sleep.
- Top tips for supporting young people through exams.

If a parent/carer is unable to attend, by registering for a workshop, they will be sent the video and resources to watch when convenient. (Each workshop is 90 minutes long.)

View workshop dates/access booking links

Queries can be sent to admin.pst@nsft.nhs.uk.

Supporting young people's mental health Parent/carer workshops

These free NHS virtual workshops (Zoom) are designed to provide up to date advice and

guidance on how parents and carers can support the young people in their life. The workshops are 60-minutes long and will be recorded so anyone unable to attend can watch the workshop Click the link for more details: Parent/carer workshops





Support for children, young people, and their families to help remove the barriers to achieving a healthy weight





Scan the QR code
to find out more
or search:
Healthy Living Service
Suffolk County Council



Suffolk Hockey Invitation Letter to Trials

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Click the link to find out more about how to enter the trials. Deadline is **today – 5 September 2025**<u>SUFFOLK-COUNTY-HOCKEY-ASSOCIATION-JUNIOR-PLAYER-ASSESSMENT-2025.docx</u>

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Everyone at King Edwards would like to wish you a promising weekend.

Deri O'Regan

Dates for your Diary		
Term dates <u>2025-2026</u> & <u>2026-2027</u>		
Additional information can be found on the calendar page of the website.		
Wed 10 Sept	Year 7 Parents' Evening with Tutors - in person 4.30-6pm	
Mon 15 Sept	School Photographs – Year 7, 9, 11	
Tues 16 Sept	Year 10 and 11 EHCP & Pupil Passport meetings	
Wed 17 Sept	Year 11 Success Evening	
Thurs 18 Sept	Year 8 & 9 EHCP & Pupil Passport Meetings	
Fri 19 – Sat 20 Sept	Battlefields Trip	
Mon 22-Tues 23 Sept	Year 11 Careers Interviews	
Wed 24 Sept	Attwells Problem Solving Workshop	
Wed 24 Sept	Year 10 Success Evening	
Thurs 25 Sept	Year 7 Cathedral Welcome Event	

Thought for the Week:

The only thing that you absolutely have to know, is the location of the library.

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