



Today's Prayer

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Dear Parents and Carers

We are delighted to announce that we have changed our careers platform from XELLO to Unifrog, courtesy of funding provided to the school by the Foundation Trustees.



The purchase will further support and improve our delivery of careers education in the school, ensuring access for all. Our aim is to increase parental and student engagement with our careers offer and Unifrog will help support this. Unifrog helps students (and parents) understand careers progression through school and onwards through Post-16 to College, University or apprenticeships. It helps explore their interests, enabling them to record any activities, clubs or outside school hobbies etc, which will eventually support their applications. The package will also support them to find education and training opportunities.

In addition, Unifrog enables teachers to keep track of any careers activities students have done, encouraging conversations around their future. Tutors will deliver short lessons during tutor-time, based around student's learning about themselves, exploring possibilities, managing careers, creating opportunities, balancing work and life and seeing the big picture.

All students will have received a welcome email, and are welcome to explore the site before our official launch in October! Sign in via Microsoft 365 on [Sign In - Unifrog](#).

For more information, visit [About - Unifrog](#).

If you have any questions, please email our Careers Co-ordinator Miss Granger: TLG@king-ed.suffolk.sch.uk

Veterinary Career Opportunity

Visit Moreton Hall Veterinary Practice for a behind the scenes view of life in a veterinary practice and meet their dedicated team of vets, nurses, physiotherapists, dog groomers and trainers who care for pets 24 hours a day, every day of the year.

This is a great opportunity for students to visit with their family whether they want to work with animals in the future or just love animals, everyone is welcome.

[Open Day Registration - Moreton Hall Veterinary Centre](#)

Round up of the Week

Please see a selection of pictures taken this week of our students. Check out [King Edward VI School Facebook](#) to see more!





Drills at King Edwards

For your information, please see below procedures we have in place for both Fire Evacuations and Security Lockdowns. As part of our commitment to ensuring the safety and wellbeing of all students and staff, it is essential that clear protocols are followed in the event of an emergency.

Fire Evacuation Procedure

In the event of a fire alarm:

- The alarm will sound and all staff and students will evacuate the buildings promptly.
- Everyone will assemble in the designated areas in front of the Astro/4G pitch.
- Students are expected to walk calmly, silently, and with purpose.
- Upon arrival at the assembly point, students will line up in their tutor groups in alphabetical order and remain silent.
- Registers will be taken to ensure everyone is accounted for.
- Staff will then provide further instructions, which will usually involve returning to classrooms once it is safe to do so.

We carry out regular fire drills throughout the year. All year groups have now participated in a walkthrough of the procedure with their Head of Year and Tutor. A full-school fire drill will take place within the next couple of weeks.

Security Lockdown Procedure

Schools are also required to have a clear procedure for a security lockdown, which differs from a fire evacuation in that students remain inside the building.

In the event of a security lockdown:

- A distinctive alarm will sound – five consecutive buzzes – to indicate a lockdown.
- Teachers will immediately close and lock classroom doors and windows.
- Students must follow their teacher's instructions at all times.
- The lockdown will end when three consecutive buzzes are heard.

This week, students will watch a video presented by a member of staff that clearly explains both the Fire Evacuation and Security Lockdown procedures. This will ensure all students understand what is expected of them during a real event or a drill.

Student Wellbeing

We understand that some students may find these procedures or drills distressing. If you feel

your child may be affected in this way, please contact us so that we can make alternative arrangements and provide appropriate support. Thank you for your continued support in helping us maintain a safe environment for all members of our school community.

Shanghai 2025 Visit – Cathedral Trip

Many thanks for supporting the Shanghai 2025 Visit - Cathedral Trip - Tuesday 30 September 2025, I trust your child is looking forward to what should be an exciting and informative day!

Please be aware that the visit is predominantly a walking tour to the Cathedral, we therefore ask that students dress accordingly by selecting suitable layers of clothing (non-uniform) for a potential all-season autumnal day! Sensible shoes for walking in the rain are a must.

The Trip Leader and Trip Staff (Miss Doxon, Mr. Elliot, Mrs Rodriguez, Ms Burton and Ms Swift) can be contacted on the day on 07543237574 or 07740 537715.

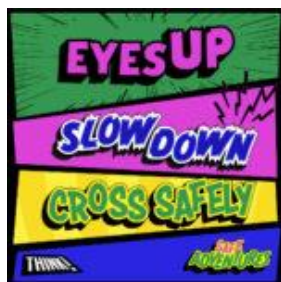
Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask. Click here for a copy of the parent letter: [Parent Letter - Cathedral Visit](#)

Lit' Legends: Student Book Club for Years 7 and 8

Encourage your child to keep their love of reading alive by signing up for *Lit Legends*, our after-school book club for Year 7 and 8 students. The club offers students the chance to choose the books they read, take part in lively discussions, and enjoy creative activities. The first meeting will be on Monday, 22 September in Room A23, from 3.35 to 4.45pm. Parents can register their child through SchoolCloud: <https://kingedwardvicevp.schoolcloud.co.uk/Auth/Parent>.

Road Safety

The number of child pedestrian casualties double when students are travelling independently, with incidents more likely to happen during school drop-off and pick up times.



Since the start of term, we have already had a number of reports from members of the public regarding near misses during these times. Examples include scooting dangerously in the middle of the road, cycling with earphones in, helmets being attached to the child's bag rather than protecting their head and a student running in front of a moving car.

Please take this opportunity to remind your child about the principles of road safety and independent travel as it may save their life.

The following links may help to provide some simple tips to share, focusing in on the top 3 risky behaviours (based on the top contributory factors assigned to child pedestrian casualties) :

Pedestrian failure to look / distraction (friends and mobiles).
Pedestrian careless, reckless or in a hurry.
Safe place to cross (including parked cars and behind buses).

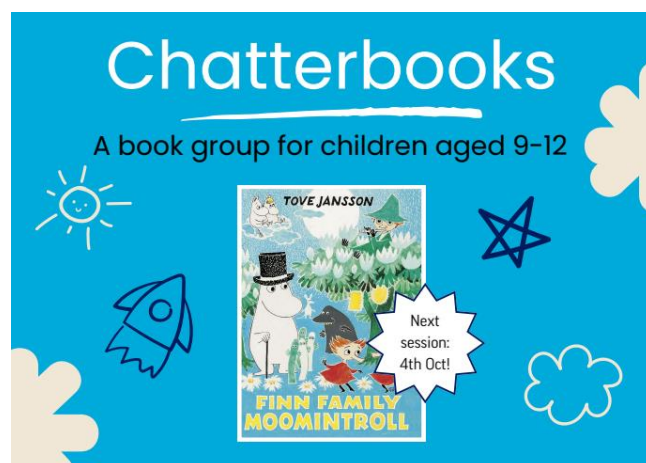
[Road Safety Leaflet](#)

[Road Safety Guide](#)

Chatterbooks Young Peoples' Book Club

The next session of Chatterbooks club at Bury Library will be on Saturday 4 October at 10.15 – 11am. We meet on the first Saturday of every month and our title for next month is 'Finn Family Moomintroll' by Tove Jansson.

Copies are also available to borrow from our display in Bury's newly-refurbished junior library.



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



Deri O'Regan



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Enrolment form

Contact : Mrs Talbot
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<https://forms.office.com/e/0qsNQ3R2pb>
For further information and to start your journey!

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Dates for your Diary	
Term dates <u>2025-2026</u> & <u>2026-2027</u>	
Additional information can be found on the <u>calendar page</u> of the website.	
Mon 22-Tues 23 Sept	Year 11 Careers Interviews
Wed 24 Sept	Attwells Problem Solving Workshop
Wed 24 Sept	Year 10 Success Evening 6-7pm
Thurs 25 Sept	Year 7 Welcome Event at St Edmundsbury Cathedral
Thurs 25 Sept	Celebration of Achievement for 2024-2025 Year 11
Tues 30 Sept	Year 11 Author Visit
Thurs 02 Oct	Open Evening 6-8pm
Mon 6 Oct	Flu Immunisations
Wed 8 Oct	Year 10 PSHE Day

Thought for the Week:

People will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel.

Maya Angelou.

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