

Stowupland High School

“Outstanding Progress for All”



03.03.2023

Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you for your support this week in ensuring our students did not follow the current social media trend I wrote to you about on Monday. I am pleased to say the vast majority of our students continue to uphold The Stowupland Way and meet our high behaviour expectations. We have unfortunately had a couple of students who have triggered false fire alarms. We take these actions very seriously and the students involved have received suitable sanctions. Please can I ask you to remind your child about the seriousness of these actions.

I met with the Whole School Student Council on Thursday, which was very positive. We spent some time meeting with Mr Farr who is our catering manager. He wanted to hear their views on the service that is provided and we looked together at ways we could enhance this for the students. One of the shared ideas was a possibility of students being able to pre-order their lunch time baguette at break time. This would help reduce the queue but also ensure they got their first choice. The year council are going to take this back to their year groups for further views.

On Thursday evening Mrs Walden and the Year 11 team ran a final revision information evening. Students and parents joined sessions ran by the core

2023-2024 Term Dates

Please find below next year's term dates and PD days at Stowupland High School.

TERM DATES 2023-2024

Autumn Term	4th September—20th December
half-term	23rd October—27th October
Christmas Holidays	21st December—2nd January
Spring Term	3rd January—28th March
half-term	19th February—23rd February
Easter Holidays	29th March—11th April
Summer Term	12th April—19th July
half-term	27th May—31st May

In addition, there are 5 PD days scheduled next year when Stowupland High School will be closed for pupils:

4th September—Monday

5th September—Tuesday

24th November—Friday

3rd January—Wednesday

19th July—Friday

Please note—**Mulberry Centre** will announce their PD days in due course.

departments along with hearing about general revision ideas and resources. Year 11 will be able to apply these ideas in a couple of weeks as they complete their second round of Year 11 mock exams.

Have a restful weekend

Mr Brewster

Headteacher

Library News

World Book Day was celebrated in school this week with lots of activities going on in the library. The day started with students taking part in a scavenger hunt during break and lunch. They had to find pictures of book characters and name them. When all characters had been found they had to rearrange selected letters to reveal a hidden message. All students who took part were rewarded with a house point and the overall winner received a prize bundle full of books, treats and an Amazon voucher.

The library was buzzing in the afternoon with all the competitors for the Book Mastermind competition. Seventeen students from years 7 and 8 took part. Each student had to select a book for their specialist round and then had to answer 10 general knowledge questions. Everyone was amazing and all received a certificate, a treat and house points for taking part. Amy Nicholson from 7JCO was the overall winner, followed by Chiarah Ruby-Budd 8RT and third place was taken by Samuel Evemy in 7NB. All received a prize bundle and certificate, Amy also took home a trophy.



All students were invited to come along to the library to collect a free World Book Day book. Get Suffolk Reading also donated a significant number of copies of Burn by Patrick Ness, students are welcome to collect a free copy of this too.

The winners of the World Book Day 'Create a Character' competition was won by Emily Edwards from 9KC and Amy Nicholson 7JCO. Both will receive £25 vouchers from Get Suffolk Reading - well done!!

Book Mastermind Winners!!

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SPORTS NEWS

9.02.23—Year 9 Girls Rugby

Missed in a previous Bulletin

Well done to the Year 9 girls rugby who played in the West Suffolk U14 Festival before half term. The girls played 3 teams, improving and developing their skills and understanding of the game from match to match. There were representatives from local clubs at the tournament to promote the game. It is hoped that some of the students will look to further their experience through club participation.

Well done to all players.

Miss Walton

28.02.23—Year 9 Girls Football

0-0 at half time and 1-2 at full time.

Izzie Palombo scored our goal.

Players of the match: Emily Mason and Lily Carr.

Miss Wardley

02.03.23—Year 7 Boys Rugby

The Year 7 boys rugby team took part in a West Suffolk tournament at Westley Middle School on Thursday 2 March. They won against Ixworth, drew against Sudbury and narrowly lost to Mildenhall. The boys were excellent and had a great time.

Mr Broom

Next week's fixtures

Date	Who	Sport	Vs.
Monday 6.03.23	Y 10 Girls	Football (A)	County Upper
Tuesday 7.03.23	Y 11 Girls	Football (H)	Stowmarket High School
Wednesday 8.03.23	Y 8 Boys	Rugby (A)	Ipswich High School

IMPORTANT: If your child is taking part in any sports fixtures, please look out for an email to give consent for the student to take part. These can be announced very last minute so we would appreciate your prompt action. You will find the consent box within Arbor under activities/trips.

Attendance up to 3rd March 2023

Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11	Overall
91.9%	91.2%	89.6%	87.9%	86%	89.3%

DATES FOR THE DIARY

March

6th—Battlefields Trip Info Evening
 8th—Germany Trip Information Evening
 10th—Move It—Dance Trip
 10th-13th—Trip to Paris
 18th-19th—Duke of Edinburgh Expedition
 22nd—HPV vaccination catch-up Year 8 and above
 24th-27th—Battlefields Trip
 29th—MEN ACWY/DTP vaccination Year 9

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Term Dates 2022-2023		Half Term	Non Student Days
Autumn Term 2022	1st September - 16th December	24th - 28th Oct	1st September
Spring Term 2023	3rd January - 31st March	13th—17th Feb	2nd September 25th November
Summer Term 2023	17th April - 21st July	29th May - 2nd June	3rd January 21st July

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