Stowupland High School

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Sponsored Walk/Run Year 7

26 May 2023

<u>Library</u>

Library is busy as usual. There is a competition taking place for student to take part in and a taster of what will be happening during the Diversity Week at school in June.



Sixth Form Newsletter

Please find our latest 6th Form Newsletter on our website or by following this LINK.

Mulberry Centre

KS 4 Mulberry students developed their independence this week by taking the train to Bury St Edmunds,

where they enjoyed a picnic in the Abbey Gardens. This experience provided them with valuable skills in working towards a more independent future.

KS 3 performed their own adaptation of Little Red Riding Hood for parents and carers. They have worked on their performance and the set over a number of weeks. Refreshments were kindly provided and served by KS4 peers.



This week also saw the launch of Mulberry's cultural awareness days, where we celebrated Portugal. The days started with the whole group making Pasta del nata. We were then taught some Portuguese by Helton Do Ceu Rita, who is fluent and speaks Portuguese at home and decorated tiles in the style of Porto Station. It was an informative and enriching day for all.

The Mix during May half-term



Stowupland Sport Centre—half-term day camp



Jubilant!

Jubilant! is a mini youth arts festival in Stowmarket, celebrating the creativity of local school children and young people with cultural venues around the town.

Talented East Anglian artists have been working with students from 10 local schools to build exciting creative projects. There's going to be performances, exhibitions, audio experiences and short films at cultural venues in Stowmarket throughout Festival week.

16 students from Stowupland High School participated in the project and their sculpture 'The Stowmarket of Tomorrow – Today!' – Diorama-Style Sculpture will be on display in the Old Fox Yard Wednesday 7– Wednesday 14 June.

Please find more information by following this LINK



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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

Church Road Stowupland Stowmarket IP14 4BQ Headteacher: Mr David Brewster Chair of Local Board: Mrs Karen Hudson It's hard to believe that we have reached the final half term of Year 7 already. The Year 7s continue to present themselves as confident, polite and settled members of our school community and it has been a pleasure to get to see more of them this term as their Progress Leader.

A highlight of this half term was our sponsored Fun run/walk. It was wonderful to see the whole year group out in one area all taking part in an event together. The children created a lovely atmosphere out on the school field and inspired many of our older students to want to take part in similar events. The crowd fundraiser page has now closed and I am so pleased to be able to tell you that the final total raised was an amazing £698! Certificates and prizes will be awarded after half term and please keep an eye out for pictures of the new sporting equipment in future newsletters.



Reward Points

The tutor group that has collected the most reward points is **7LBL** with an amazing 4521 points altogether. Second place goes to **7KB** and third place to **7AG**.

Our top 5 point scorers are Eloise S., Warren M. and Eloise A., Albina S. and Summer S-O.

Well done to each of you !

I wish you all a wonderful half term break and look forward to welcoming you all back for the final half term of year 7 which will include events such as sports day, rewards trips and summer showcase.

Mrs Rolfe continues to be the Assistant Progress Leader and can be contacted with anything that you need regarding year 7. The email address to contact staff is: <u>year7@stowuplandhighschool.co.uk</u>

Wishing you a lovely half term break.

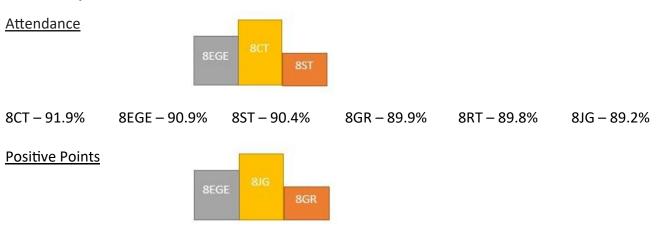
From Mrs Brand, Progress Leader and Mrs Rolfe, Assistant Progress Leader

Progress Leader: Mrs Brand

Our Year 8 students have shown dedication and resilience throughout this academic year, and we commend them for their hard work. As we enter the final half term, it is crucial for students to stay focused and maintain their commitment to learning. Please encourage them to make use of online resources, review past topics, and seek help from teachers whenever needed.

We highly recommend students to participate in our vibrant array of extra-curricular activities. These activities not only provide opportunities for personal growth and skill development but also foster new friendships and enrich your overall school experience. Keep an eye out for upcoming clubs and sports events, including our school sports day, and the many other brilliant clubs that our school provides!

As always, it is a great time to reflect on the progress of our students. Here are the current standings for attendance and positive behaviour points in Year 8:



Tutor Group Awards

8JG - 3940 8EGE - 2955 8GR - 29058ST - 2865 8CT - 2780 8RT - 2609

Well done to 8CT who have now taken the top spot for attendance and congratulations to 8JG who retain first place for positive points. I also want to show recognition to 8EGE who have moved from 3rd to 2nd place for attendance and from 4th to 2nd place for positive points – keep up the excellent work! Students who are currently in the top 3 spots in the year for positive points are Evie C. who has earned 221 positive points, Claire H. and Emily W. who are both on 215 positive points and finally Isaac M. who has achieved 212 positive points. This is a fantastic achievement and you should be very proud of yourself!

We wish you all a restful and enjoyable half term break. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to us on the Year 8 email address. Let's make the most of this summer and come back rejuvenated for the final stretch!

Miss Brownsell

Progress Leader: Miss Brownsel

Dear all,

Isn't it amazing what a difference a little bit of sun makes to school life? The sun recently has been very welcome, especially in our PE lessons.

We have come to the end of another busy half term and students are hopefully now settled with their options and ready to embark on the next chapter. Just a half term separates them from their GCSE years and before you know it we will be supporting them in applying to their next steps, which hopefully many will be wanting to apply to our Sixth Form. If you are worried your son/ daughter is still worried about what they have chosen please contact the school ASAP via <u>year9@stowuplandhighschool.co.uk</u>.

Next half term we are looking forward to the Reward Trips and Sports Day to name just a few exciting things on our calendar. Summer term 2 is always a good one and well done to all those students that are getting lots of positive points, avoiding negative incidents and securing their place on the trip.

I have been reflecting and reviewing some key data this week and a colleague reminded me of a shocking stat. It was only just over a year ago that Year 9 entered into a "proper" high school. The End of Year 6 was spent in lockdown, Year 7 was spent in bubbles and lockdown, Year 8 we only came out of bubbles around half way through the year, which means these students have only known proper high school for just over a year. We have done some serious learning over that time and I'm not going to shy away from the fact we still have work to do, but I have started to see a real improvement in many measures over the past year.

Top Points:

- 1) George C.
- 2) Evie A.
- 3) William H.



Well done, it's great to see some new names in our top ten and a special well done to our top 3 points scorers for this half term!

Mr Holden

Progress Leader: Mr Holden

This has been a lovely first term at Stowupland High School, it has been fantastic to get to meet and spend time with the tutor groups as well as individual students and staff.

On 18th May we launched the Leadership programme for Year 10 to promote the opportunity to become a Prefect and support younger students across the school. As you will be aware as students progress through Year 11 and into Post 16 pathways having such responsibilities on their CVs is an asset. It is also a great opportunity to develop student's confidence and levels of responsibility while giving something back to the school community. If your child would like to apply for this programme please ask them to speak to the Year Team on the return to school.

Duke of Edinburgh Award

Staff have been busily working away with students from the Year Group on their Awards. This has involved two weekends of residential trips, feedback received shows students learnt a lot from these experiences and all improved their skills greatly. I look forward to further updates as we move through the summer term.



Visiting artist

Students have been involved in a project with Chris Jackson who has visited the school on several occasions to develop new and interesting skills with the group. Again feedback from the students and staff has been exceptionally positive. Students even came in on the last Strike Day so they didn't miss the opportunity.

Parents Evening

I wrote to you all recently to let you know that appointments were now open to book, these are important events to support you to work with your child over the next year so I would thoroughly recommend booking up ASAP. The meetings will also help give focus to the Year 10 exams so students can create the best foundations for a positive start to Year 11.

Date for your diary, on Wednesday 13th September we will be hosting an Introduction to Year 11 Parents Information Evening in the Drama studio. Our plan is to support you to guide your child through Year 11 in the most successful way possible, I look forward to seeing you there. Further information will be sent later this term.

Have a great break

Mr Terry and Miss Perry

Mr Terry

This half term has certainly been full on for Year 11's with the start of their GCSE exams. So far they have had two full weeks of exams and have another 3 weeks after the half term break. With the pressure of exams and the need to follow strict procedures they are doing amazingly well with the invigilators praising their behaviour and attitude. Many have also been involved in revision sessions both during the school day and after school; their determination to do well is evident and shows great resilience.

While year 11 students continue to work hard to achieve their very best they also need to look after their mental health and well-being. With this in mind here is a recap of the 'Five Ways of Wellbeing' to help support them at this crucial time.



Year 11 Key Dates reminder:

14th June—Leavers' assembly
21st June—GCSE exams finish
28th June—GCSE exam contingency day
29th & 30th June—Stowupland 6 Induction days
30th June—Prom
25th August—Results day

Progress Leader: Mrs Morley