Stowupland High School

"Outstanding Progress for All"





19.05.2023

Dear Parents and Carers

I am pleased to say that our Year 7 sponsored run/walk went ahead on Tuesday afternoon in the sunshine. There were lots of great superhero costumes completing laps around our school field. Corbyn S. managed the highest number with 15 laps being completed in the hour. Between them all they raised over £600, I would like to thank all those who contributed to this total.

The part of my job that is the most rewarding is having the opportunity to go into lesson and speak to our students about their learning and what they are engaged in. Today I have spoken to Year 8 who were learning about the significance of climate change and the causes, whilst other Year 8 students were classifying different types of rock as part of their Earth Science module. I also heard some of our Year 7 students ordering chicken and salad very politely in French.

Our Jubilant Art students have been busy finishing their sculptures of Stowmarket. They have now been transported to Fox Yard ready for our professional artist to complete the project for the 9th June when there will be a private viewing for parents before it goes on general display the following week. The students and staff have enjoyed working on the project and we are pleased that we have been involved with the Arts and Culture mini youth festival.

Year 7 Sponsored Fun Walk/Run

On Tuesday 16th May the whole of Year 7 took part in a sponsored fun run/walk. During this event the students had 1 hour to complete as many laps of the field as possible. There was a lovely atmosphere throughout the run. With many staff, sixth formers and student helpers joining in and cheering them all on. The Year 7s were a real credit to the school.



Students could also choose to take part in fancy dress. This year's theme was 'super heroes'. Prizes will be awarded shortly to the highest scoring boy and girl from each form, the highest scoring form and

the best fancy dress costume. So far an amazing £660 has been raised. This will go towards purchasing new and interesting PE equipment for the students to use. Pictures will



follow shortly!

Well done to all competitors, you were brilliant!

Year 11

Regarding Year 11 students leaving school shortly: if students are currently overdrawn in their cashless catering account, we would be grateful if this could please be cleared by either topping up their account via Parentmail or by contacting Mrs Wooldridge on 01449 742435 and making payment over the phone. Thank you

Our Year 11 and 13 have made a great start to their exams. The students I have spoken to have been positive and the invigilators have been very complimentary about the students' conduct. After completing their English Literature GCSE exam they were buzzing, with main characters being the focus of the analysis and a poem that the students were very familiar with. Well done to them and the English team for preparing the students so well.

D. Brewster

Headteacher

Holiday Activities Fund Programme

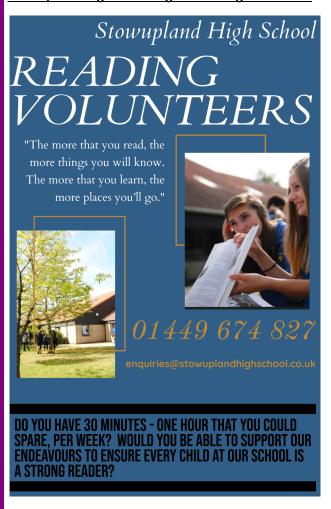
Parents and carers across Babergh and Mid Suffolk may be eligible to benefit from free holiday club places for children and young people over the



school holidays. This is via the government's Holiday Activities Fund (HAF) programme during the main holidays and from Babergh and Mid Suffolk, during half-term breaks.

It enables children and young people to enjoy fun activities with friends and develop new skills. Please click <u>HERE</u> for more information.

Stowupland High is looking for reading volunteers



WELLBEING



INFORMATION, ADVICE AND SOURCES OF SUPPORT FOR YOUNG PEOPLE IN SUFFOLK

Re-launch of The Source website – A wellbeing resource for young people in Suffolk.



For more information, please visit www.thesource.me.uk or click the YouTube video to the left.

SPORTS NEWS

Orienteering 11/05/23

We entered 3 teams into the competition. These teams were labelled **Stowupland 1** (Joshua B and Ross S, Ollie B and Finlay S), **Stowupland 2** (Ridley C and Joshua W, Jacob E and Oscar Y) and **Stowupland 3** (Cole D and Cai F, Kylan P and Ewan R). We had a briefing inside and then went outside to the start symbol (triangle). Teams were given a map of Thurston Sixth - Beyton Campus and a short period of time to familiarise themselves with the key. Teams had to complete the course of 20 punches in the quickest time possible. All teams/pairs had finished in less than 20 minutes which was the benchmark.

Some of these teams and pairs have now qualified for the county finals on 25 May at Haughley Park, we will notify you of more information via Arbor.

Best teams:

1st Stowupland 2 21:15 Gold 2nd Stowupland 1 27:00 Silver 3rd Thurston 1 28:18 Bronze

Best pairs:

1st Ridley and Joshua W 10:37 Gold 2nd Jacob and Oscar 10:38 Silver 3rd Joshua B and Ross 12:40 Bronze

Thank you and well done! Miss Wardley

Inclusive Target Games Event 17/05/23

7 students (Malikai A, Samuel B, Aimee C, Matthew J, Abigail M, Harry R and Rachel R) had the opportunity to try some Archery, Frisbee and Tri Golf. There are certificates to be issued—well done to all for participation and great effort.

Miss Wardley







Suffolk schools virtual dance competition

Back in February we entered 3 teams into the Suffolk schools virtual dance competition. We entered all teams into the advanced category. For this the students had to learn and replicate a dance to the Lion King's 'I just can't wait to be king'. After a long wait due to a vast amount of entries I am now proud to announce that we placed 1st and 3rd in the advanced category!

All students who took part will now receive a free dance east workshop which is in the process of being arranged. Congratulations to all who took part. You are a credit to the school.

Mrs Brand

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 19th May 2023

Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11	Overall
91.5%	91%	89.4%	87.7%	85.9%	89%

DATES FOR THE DIARY 26th—Year 8, 2nd dose of HPV vaccination 29th May—2nd June—Half term June 7th—Year 10 Parents' Evening 13th—Year 12 University of Suffolk visit—UCAS 14th June—Year 11 last day in school 15th—Music Industry Workshop 19th/20th—Year 10 Castle Acre visit 21st/22nd—Year 10 Visit to Felixstowe 27th—Author—Simon James Green visit 30th June—Year 11 Prom

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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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