

# Stowupland High School

*“Outstanding Progress for All”*



16.06.2023

Dear Parents and Carers

As I write this the majority of our Year 11 are getting themselves ready for their final exam, with just a couple of option subjects to be assessed next week. They have been amazing throughout this potentially challenging time. Over the last 4 weeks they have done well over 20 exams each. Their conduct and approach has been really impressive and the lead invigilator explained they have been the best group for 14 years. I am pleased to report that we passed our JCQ inspection with flying colours, I would like to say a huge thank you to Mrs Lambon and her team for running a well organised and efficient exam season.

Year 9 have also been busy with assessments completing these in English, Maths and Science. They have also been having daily uniform checks to ensure our policy and expectations are being followed and students are ready for September. I know Mr Holden and Mrs Fullman have been in contact with home when students uniform has not been matching our expectations. It will be Year 8's turn next week to line up every morning with their Progress team. I would like to thank all of you for your help and support with students' uniform. We reviewed the wording on the [website](#) to ensure it is clearer, however, our expectations and policy have not changed and students should be wearing a regulation skirt (see picture below) which is at a suitable length. Having a daughter in Year 11 I am very aware that skirts are purchased at the correct length and then often "rolled up" on the way to school. Again I appreciate your support as we address this and ensure our students all follow our uniform policy.

Mr Hailstone lead a trip to University of Suffolk on Tuesday with the vast majority of the Year 12. The purpose of this trip was to support the students with their UCAS applications. It is an exciting time for them as they explore what further opportunities await them. It can also be a time that can cause some concern and confusion but having these opportunities allow the students to be well informed as they plan their next steps.

As we approach the end of the year the school is busy working on the many ways that we can reward students for their hard work and effort. This includes: celebration assemblies, reward trips and subject specific accreditations. Parents/carers will also be aware that we have been communicating regarding the fundamental expectations of the school including wearing correct uniform and being prepared and punctual to school.

To support in reinforcing positive behaviour the school will be awarding a signed Ipswich Town Football Club football to students that fulfil these expectations on a daily basis. Each morning, form tutors will be awarding positive behaviour points to

students that are:

- in correct uniform
- have all the necessary equipment for the day
- arrive to school on time

Students are awarded a point for each expectation met and so can accrue up to 3 positive points per day.

The cut off point is Friday 14th July 2023 and all specific points will be totalled per students. The student with the most points will be awarded the football. In the event of multiple students on the same points a prize draw will take place. There will also be an alternative prize of a voucher for students that are not motivated by football memorabilia.

We know that these expectations should not require a prize to motivate students to make appropriate choices but hope it will highlight that positive choices can bring forth more opportunities as well as ensuring all students are meeting expectations by September 2023.

Again thank you all for your on going support.

Enjoy the weekend

David Brewster

Headteacher



## **SPORTS NEWS**

### **Under 14 Cricket Competition**

On 13th June the U14 boys cricket team travelled to Mildenhall Cricket Club to compete in the County Final qualifiers. The boys played County Upper in their first match and put in a very impressive performance. In their batting innings they scored an outstanding 122 runs off 14 overs. Lucas R scored 77 runs and Theo S 43 runs. Charlie J Owen C, Luke J, Liam T and Theo S all took wickets and eventually managed to bowl County Upper all out in the 13th over. County Upper 72 runs off 14 overs.

In our final match we faced a strong Thurston team. The winners of this match would qualify for the county finals. Thurston opened the batting and scored 99 runs off 14 overs. The boys put in a strong batting innings but Thurston managed to get some key wickets at crucial times in the match. The boys went on to score 74 runs off 14 overs. Our stand out batsman against Thurston was Jake B.

Congratulations to the following boys: Charlie J, Jed M, Owen C, Lucas R, Ollie B, Jake B, Theo S, Luke J, Liam T, Oliver N and Alfie A.

### **Year 9 Super 8's Athletics**

Well done to the Year 9 students who took part in the Super 8's Athletics in Bury St Edmunds on Wednesday. On a scorching hot day, all pupils gave their best in very demanding conditions. Some notable individual performances from Liam T and Jahjah S who were 1st and 3rd respectively in their 100m heats. Also the boys medley relay team finished in 3rd position. Congratulations to Emily M who jumped a creditworthy 1.40 in the high jump.



Many thanks to Poppy R and Saffron H for filling in for the girls team on the day - you were superstars!

## Attendance up to 16th June 2023

Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11	Overall
91.6%	91%	89.1%	87.6%	84.7%	88.7%

### DATES FOR THE DIARY

#### June

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  
 29th-30th—Sixth Form Induction

#### July

3rd-4th—Year 6 Transition Days  
 5th—Mulberry Open Evening  
 6th—Year 7 Rewards Trip  
 7th—Year 8 Rewards Trip  
 11th—Sports Day  
 12th—Year 9 Rewards Trip  
 13th—Year 10 Rewards Trip  
 17th—Summer Showcase

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

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