

Stowupland High School

"Outstanding Progress for All"



03.11.23

Dear Parents and Carers

Unfortunately, this week we have had another day of school life being disrupted due to extreme weather. The decision to close the school is never taken lightly, however, we were very concerned about repeating the events of 20th October with some students and staff being in a position where they could not get home safely. The degree of the localised flooding and the uncertainty of the weather forecast for the day meant the decision was taken on Thursday morning. Following feedback from last half term we used text messaging to ensure the decision was shared in an efficient way. I hope you found the change useful.

Despite the wet weather our temporary accommodation installation continues. This week I had the opportunity to have a look inside each building so we can start to plan how they need to be converted into classrooms that match our requirements. There is still a lot of work to be done and any ground works are being slowed by the saturated field. However, I know the team are working flat out to complete the work. I am very confident that when finished, they will be excellent learning spaces for our students' and staff to work in.

Wishing you all a good weekend

David Brewster

Headteacher

Satchel One accounts verification

In September Satchel One implemented an email verification system for parent/guardian accounts. We wanted to advise you that, as of 1st November any pre-existing parent accounts that remain unverified will be deleted and the parents will be informed of this via email automatically. In order to recover your account, you will need to obtain a current Parent Code and complete the signup process again. You can obtain it either by contacting our reception team or by following the steps outlined in the article below so you know how to locate your Parent Code and regain access to their account. [Satchel One Help](#)



NOTICES

Parent Forum—Wednesday 22nd November at 4.30pm



Following a bit of a delay due to RAAC works taking place at school, we have scheduled our first Parent Forum for 22nd November. Parent Forum is chaired by the Headteacher and has been attended by a rather small group of parents/carers. We would like to see more 'new faces' and encourage anyone who would like to attend this informal forum, to please email enquiries@stowuplandhighschool.co.uk Agenda to follow next week.

Coffee, teas and biscuits guaranteed.

Year 11 Revision Guides

A reminder that Year 11 revision guides are currently on sale. These can be purchased via the Parentmail Shop. Deadline for orders is 10th November.

Overdraft accounts

A vast number of students are currently in their lunch overdraft account, I would be grateful if you could please review your child's account within ParentMail and top-up if necessary. If you would just like to clear their overdraft facility, please contact Mrs Wooldridge on her Direct Dial 01449 742435.

Racing to School trip refunds

For those Yr7 students that were unsuccessful in gaining a place on the Racing to School trip, refunds are being processed back to your original payment method on 3rd November. If you have any queries, please contact Mrs Wooldridge via accounts@stowuplandhighschool.co.uk

RBL Poppy Appeal

Next week, 6-10 November there will be an opportunity for students to donate to Royal British Legion's Poppy Appeal. Our Sixth Formers will be visiting classrooms with poppies and collection boxes during afternoon Tutor Time.



SEND Advice drop in



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Date: 24th November 2023
Venue: Hillside Community Centre,
Address: Hillside Community Centre, Hillside, Stowmarket, IP14 2BD
Time: 10am-12pm

A chance for families of children and young people with SEND to get advice from a range of services all in one place. Find out more about what our services have to offer and how they can help you.



www.suffolk.gov.uk/familyhubs



WELLBEING

Child Mental Health

Find out more about recognising issues with child mental health, how to respond and take appropriate action.

[NSPCC website](https://www.nspcc.org.uk)

SPORT NEWS

Sport Achievements

Congratulations to Aaron Palmer (7LSA) for being selected to play for the Suffolk Schools Cricket team for this year. This is an amazing achievement, well done Aaron.

Fixture	Date	Report
Year 7 Football Boys	31/10	The Year 7 boys football team hosted Thurston in the 2nd round of the County Cup. The boys started really well and dominated the first half. HT 2-2. In the second half, Thurston started stronger and had much more possession. FT 5-3. A massive congratulations to all the boys involved.
Year 10 Football Boys	1/11	Year 10 boys had a close game with Debenham, unfortunately a late penalty meant the boys lost 2-1 but a close game nonetheless. We are still in a few other cups so we look forward to the next game

Upcoming fixtures

Date	Who	Sport	Vs.
7/11	Y10 Boys	Football (H)	Samuel Ward Academy
7/11	Y11 Boys	Football (A)	Sybil Andrews Academy
7/11	Y8 Girls	Futsal (A)	At Stowmarket Leisure Centre
8/11	Whole school—Mixed	South East Swimming League	At Ipswich High School, Woolverstone
9/11	Year 11	Football (A)	Farlingaye High School, Woodbridge
9/11	Year 7	Football (A)	Sybil Andrews Academy

IMPORTANT: If your child is taking part in any sports fixtures, please look out for an email to give consent for 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.

Contact and Dates

DATES FOR THE DIARY

November

8th Nov—Parents Evening—Mulberry and Year 11

9th Nov—Careers Fair

17th Nov—KS4 Dance East—GCSE Dance

20th Nov—HPV 1 Year 8

22nd Nov—Sixth Form Information Evening

22nd Nov—Parent Forum

24th November—Non Student Day

December

11th Dec—Music Industry workshop

13th Dec—Winter Showcase

21st Dec-2nd Jan—Christmas break

3rd Jan—Non Student Day

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Term Dates 2023-24		Half Term	Non Student Days
Autumn Term 2023	4th September - 20th December	23rd - 27th Oct	4th September
Spring Term 2024	3rd January - 28th March	19th—23rd Feb	5th September
Summer Term 2024	12th April - 19th July	27th May - 31st May	24th November
			3rd January
			19th July

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Chair of Local Board: Mr Andrew Fell