

Stowupland High School

"Outstanding Progress for All"



10.11.23

Dear Parents and Carers

Yesterday evening myself and Mrs Walden had the privilege of attending the Suffolk Education Awards. This was a great event celebrating all the brilliant work that goes on in Suffolk supporting and educating the young people across our county. We were especially there to support Mrs Rolfe who was one of the nominated prize winners in the Support Assistant category. Her relentless support, encouragement and caring nature were recognised by the judges. I would like to say on behalf of the whole school community, a huge well done and thank you to Mrs Rolfe, she is a real asset to the school.

Our key exam year groups have been beginning their preparations for next summer. This week Year 11 had their Parents' Evening, which was very well attended. This was a good opportunity for teachers and families to discuss progress and ensure preparation for the December mock exams is well under way.

I am sure Year 13 have been busy preparing for their first set of mock exams, which will be taking place next week. This is excellent preparation for the summer and will allow them to show what they know already and what areas they need to do further work on. I wish them the best of luck with their mock exams.

Remembrance Day

Thank you to Ms Walton's tutor group and our Year 7 students for decorating our school's reception area.



HPV Vaccination

Year 8 HPV Vaccination has been rescheduled to 7th December. We will share consent forms with all the Year 8 families next week. In line with the National Immunisation Programme, Hertfordshire Community NHS Trust's School Aged Immunisation Service offers the HPV vaccination to all eligible boys and girls in year 8.

Flu Vaccinations

If your child has missed having their Flu vaccination at school, please click on this [LINK](#) to book a catch-up appointment at a local clinic. You can book for both the Flu Nasal Spray and the Porcine free IM Vaccine.

As the 11th November falls on a weekend this year, we have marked Remembrance Day today with a minute of silence. Our school community joined together at 11:00 to remember those who gave their lives for our freedom. Our students have been learning in assemblies this week about few of the local war heroes and their contribution to the First World War. I am pleased to say the whole school was silent as we jointly remembered and showed our respect to the Fallen. You are welcome to visit our website and the latest article on [Local WWI Memorials](#) researched and prepared by Mr Chris Clarke, Head of Humanities at Stowupland High School.

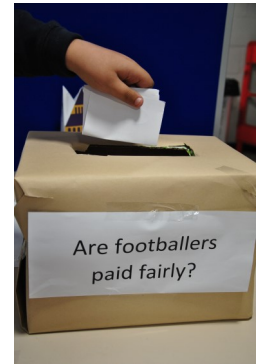
Kind regards

David Brewster

Headteacher

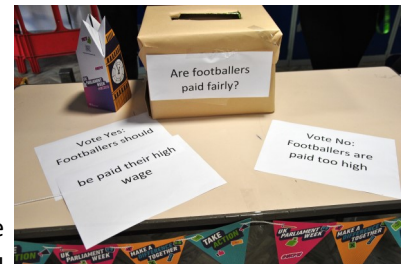
UK Parliament Week

As part of UK Parliament week 2023, our Year 13 students have held a referendum on the issue of whether footballers are paid fairly. Year 13s delivered an assembly last week to all year groups outlining both sides of the argument and explained how the process of referendums work. On Friday 10th November, the polling station opened, and the results are in!



YES (Footballers are paid a fair wage) 92

NO (Footballers are paid too much) 118



As a school we have voted that footballers are paid too highly. Well done to all who participated and organised this event.

Careers Fair

Yesterday, we hosted 20 different local employment and education providers in our Sixth Form building. Year 9, 10, 11 students, sixth formers and their parents had an opportunity to chat to local businesses and other providers about further education and careers. The event was well attended, the atmosphere was 'buzzing' and we received very positive feedback from attendees and visitors.



Attendance up to 10th November 2023

Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11	Overall
94.8%	90.8%	89.7%	88.7%	89.1%	90.6%

SPORT NEWS

Fixture	Date	Report
Year 8 Futsal Girls'	7/11	I would like to start by personally thanking parents/careers for supporting us with transport. It enabled us to play Hartismere (0-0), Thomas Mills (0-0), Stowmarket (2-2) and Debenham (1-2). We typically had 1-2 breaks, although on 1 occasion we played back-to-back. I/we grouped students to make it as fair as possible. As you can see our games were low-scoring and close which reflected the time of 9 minutes per game. Miss Wardley
Year 10 Football Boys West Suffolk Cup 1st round	7/11	Strong team from Samuel Ward came over and we had some good weather for once. The boys showed excellent character in the game as they dominated the first half but came out 1-0 down. The boys stuck with it and trusted the process, winning the game 3-1 in the end convincingly. Great to see the boys rally as a team and encourage each other to the win.
Year 11 Football Boys West Suffolk Cup 1st round	7/11	The Year 11 boys football team travelled to Sybil Andrews in the first round of the West Suffolk Cup on Tuesday 7th November. Despite dominating large parts of the game the boys were unable to create any clear cut chances. Sybil Andrews scored against the run of play just before half time and scored a second goal mid-way through the second half. The boys now travel to play Farlingaye in the National Cup 3rd round.
South East Swimming League U14 Event	8/11	We arrived at poolside at 16:00 ready for our warmup time 16:10. We then decided on the events each swimmer (Adison C, Carolina H, Ethan L and Eloise S) would be most suitable to compete in. These included: 200 Individual Medley (Back Crawl, Breaststroke, Fly and Front Crawl) Adison C in 5th, 50 Back Crawl Eloise S in 4th, 50 Breaststroke Carolina H in 5th, 50 Fly Eloise S in 4th and 50 Front Crawl Ethan L in 3rd. Medley Relay 4X50 Adison C (Back Crawl), Carolina H (Breaststroke), Eloise S (Fly) and Ethan L (Front Crawl) in 4th. Free-style 4X50 all four students in 4th. Our mode result was 4th. I would like to thank (again) parents/carers for pick-up/drop-off. I would also like to say well done (again) to our swimmers.
Year 11 Boys Football (National Cup)	9/11	The Year 11 boys football team travelled to Farlingaye in the 3rd round of the National Cup after an impressive second round victory against Debenham. The team started strongly and dominated the first half. Stowupland were rewarded for their dominance in the first half when Daniel B finished off a fine move down the right. In the second half, Farlingaye came more into the game and scored an early equaliser. They then managed to grab a second goal. The boys reacted brilliantly and in the final seconds of the game, Conor H managed to snatch a last minute goal to take the game to penalties. Stowupland won on penalties 5-4 with a fine save from Billy H from Farlingaye's 5th penalty taker. The team are now through to the 4th round of the National Cup.
Year 7 Boys Football (West Suffolk Cup)	9/11	Report next week.

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Upcoming fixtures

Date	Who	Sport	Vs.
13/11	Y9 Boys	Futsal (A)	Samuel Ward Academy
14/11	Y8 Boys	Futsal (A)	At Stowmarket Leisure Centre
15/11	Y7 Girls	Football (A)	Stowmarket High School
16/11	Y11 Girls	Football (H)	



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

17th Nov—KS4 Dance East—GCSE Dance

22nd Nov—Sixth Form Information Evening

22nd Nov—Parent Forum

24th November—Non Student Day

December

7th Dec—HPV 1 Year 8

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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