

Stowupland High School

SCHOOL BULLETIN

28TH MARCH 2025



A Tryal of Witches

The drama department ran a trip for Year 11 students to see A Tryal of Witches at the Theatre Royal in Bury St Edmunds last week. The students enjoyed a superb production of the play (written by Tallulah Brown) which sees an all female cast exploring the persecution of women during Suffolk's 17th-century witch trials. My thanks to the staff who organised this opportunity and also to the member of the audience who provided the following glowing feedback on our students' conduct in an email to the Box Office:

- The staff seemed to have a very positive, warm and effective relationship with their students.
- It was a long, challenging piece of work but all the pupils seemed to be engrossed.
- Having seen the way in which a modern school is depicted in 'Adolescence'... it was hugely reassuring to see the reality of impeccably behaved, respectful young people enjoying and learning from an ambitious, thought-provoking piece of theatre. A standing ovation to the staff and students.

Parent Workshop - Online Safety (23rd April, 2.30pm Stowupland Sixth Form)

We are hosting an information session for parents on online safety, covering:

- Online safety and the law; malicious communications and sharing inappropriate images
- Impact of excessive screen time on social, physical and mental health
- Contextual anecdotes regarding risky online behaviour by students
- Parental considerations and monitoring at home

Parents and carers from our school plus parents of Years 4,5 and 6 students from our local feeder primary schools are warmly invited. Please use the link below to book your seat. If you are unable to attend the event but would like some follow up information, please select this within the registration form.

Parent Workshop - [Online Safety registration](#)
You are asked to register by 3pm on 18th April.

Free School Meals

Following a review of Free School Meals in Parliament, the government have decided that any pupil confirmed as eligible for free school meals from 1 April 2025 will be subject to ongoing checks to confirm continued eligibility.

It is, therefore, important that all parents, carers and guardians who do not have a current claim or eligibility for FSM, should apply for FSM between now and the end of March 2025 if they think their child may be eligible, to ensure their claim and future funding are protected.

The impending changes will not impact any children who are already confirmed as eligible. These children will maintain their eligibility until the end of their current phase of education. At that point, they will be re-assessed for their eligibility status. Only applications processed before 1 April 2025 will maintain transitional protection.

Please visit [Apply for free school meals - Suffolk County Council](#) to submit an application.

Student views on mental health and wellbeing

A group of education staff from across Suffolk are meeting in May to talk about how they support the mental health and wellbeing of children and young people.

They would like to hear directly from children and young people across Suffolk about what they think helps mental health and wellbeing. The form consists of just 2 questions: what helps pupil mental health and wellbeing; what is unhelpful to pupil mental health and wellbeing? Please click [HERE](#) for the survey



Easter Raffle

This is happening in the dining room starting Monday. Proceeds are going to the Stowmarket Food Bank. If you are able to pop an Easter Egg or something Easter themed into your shopping basket this weekend to donate the prefects and I would be most grateful. Failing that tickets are only 50p each so you child may request some loose change.



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SCHOOL AND LOCAL INFORMATION - EASTER 2025

Easter Revision School for Year 11 students

Places are limited, so if you haven't already please book your child onto these sessions via the Arbor App. You can sign your child up and provide consent via the Arbor app, under Activities – Clubs. You will be able to see all sessions available to your child under Student can be registered for these clubs and they will all begin with the words Easter Revision School. If you require any support with this please email enquiries@stowuplandhighschool.co.uk.

Day	Subject	Key learning concepts to be covered
Monday 7 th April	Science 10:00-13:00	10.00-11.15 Foundation Chemistry and Physics 11.30 - 12.45 Higher and Triple Chemistry
	French 09:00-15:30	9-12 Prepping for the speaking exam; role-plays, themed conversations and describing a photo; 12.30-15.30 Topic vocabulary, complex structures, tenses, sentence structure;
Tuesday 8 th April	English 10:00-13:00	Anthology poetry English Language - reading questions
	Music Tech (11D) 12:30-15:30	Coursework catch up
Wednesday 9 th April	History 10:00-12:30	USA & Norman England
	Drama 13:00-15:30	Component 3 exam (An Inspector Calls and A Trial of Witches)
	Art 10:00-13:00	Component 2 catch up and chance to use media in the classroom
Thursday 10 th April	Art 10:00-13:00	Component 2 catch up and chance to use media in the classroom
Friday 11 th April	H&C 10:00 - 13:00	GCSE content

The Holiday Activity and Food programme

The Holiday Activity and Food programme is open for bookings for families who are eligible for benefit related Free School Meals, or families on low incomes. All activities are free to families who are eligible.

Please click this [LINK](#) to access the booking system to browse the activities and book on.

The Blank Page Project

For all the events taking place in local libraries please click [HERE](#)

Easter sessions at MidSuffolk Leisure Centre

To check eligibility and to book a session at MidSuffolk Leisure Centre, please click [HERE](#) or contact Trinity on 07561 108471

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Spring Showcase

There are still tickets available for our school's Spring Showcase. An evening filled with music, dance and other forms of performing arts proudly presented by students of Stowupland High School.



PERFORMING ARTS SPRING SHOWCASE WEDNESDAY 2ND APRIL

6:30PM – DRAMA STUDIO

£5 ADULTS, £3 CONCESSIONS

TICKETS ONLY AVAILABLE IN ADVANCE VIA PARENTMAIL

REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE FROM 6:00PM IN THE CONCOURSE

DONATIONS WARMLY RECEIVED

