



## Headteacher's Blog

Dear parents and carers

I am not a superstitious person by nature, but having taken nearly 4 hours to drive to school this morning, I'm wondering whether Friday 13<sup>th</sup> had anything to do with it!

Two things have stood out for me over the past week. Firstly, the whole school community responded with such concern and sensitivity to the accident that involved our two young students in Year 7. I am pleased to say that the girls are recovering well, and we look forward to welcoming them back to school shortly.

On Wednesday evening, we held a Year 11 Information Evening which over 200 parents, carers and students attended. They learned what will be happening during the months ahead as students prepare and revise for their GCSE exams. I was delighted to talk to many parents during the evening. As well as discovering that there are things we could do better, I felt proud to hear so many positive comments about our teachers and the support we provide.

I wish you all a pleasant weekend.

Peter Whear  
Executive Headteacher

Word of the Week:

**Mellifluous:** pleasing to hear

## Diary Dates for this Month

<b>Wednesday 25th</b>	Open Evening, 6.00—8.15pm	Year 6 pupils and families	Whole school
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## Diary Dates for October

<b>Wednesday 2nd</b>	Y12 Tutors' Evening, 4.00 - 7.00pm	Year 12 parents, carers and students	
<b>Wednesday 9th</b>	Y7 Tutors' Evening 4.00 - 7.00pm	Year 7 parent, carers and students	
<b>Thursday 10th</b>	Suffolk Schools' Cross Country	Selected students	Royal Hospital School Ipswich
<b>Wednesday 16th</b>	Suffolk Skills Show	Year 9 students	
	6th form trip to London	Sixth Form students	
<b>Friday 18th</b>	Individual Student Photos	Whole school	
<b>Wednesday 30th</b>	Post-16 Options Afternoon	Year 11 parents, carers and students	

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