



King Edward VI School

Weekly Parent Newsletter

Today's Prayer

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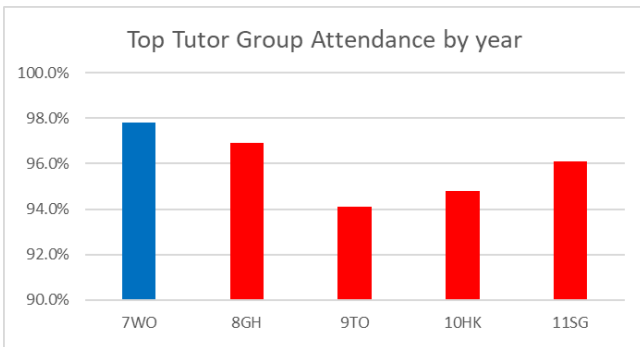
Friday 13 December 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

Well done to the Under 15 Girls Futsal team who are through to the schools Futsal final after beating Ormiston Sudbury 4-1. We all wish them the best of luck for the final.



School finishes at 1.20pm on Friday 20 December 2024 for the Christmas break.



We are keen to develop our school's Parents Association: scan the QR code if you would like to join our FOKES Whatsapp group to learn more about the association.



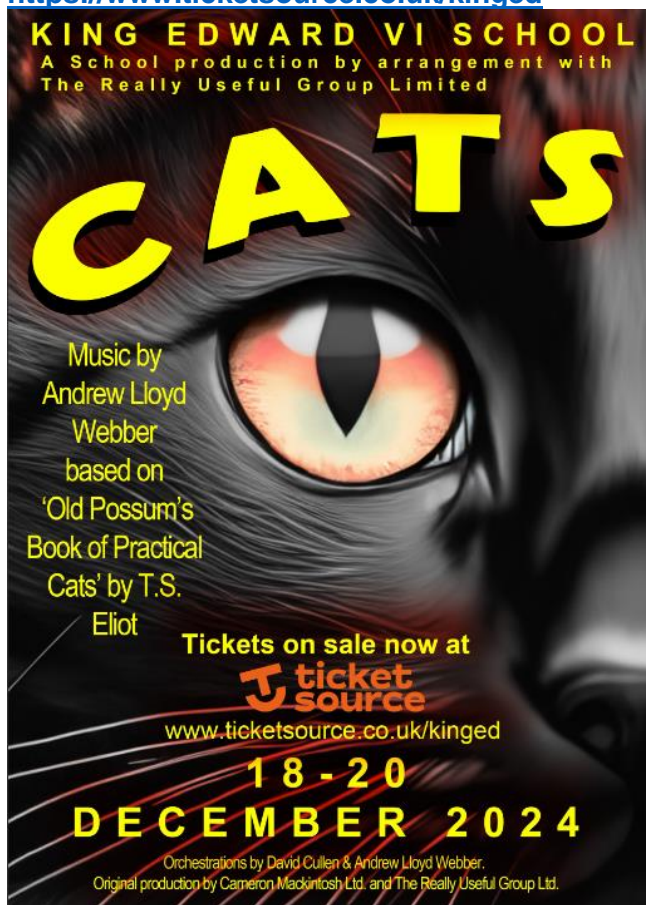
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Tickets are selling fast, book yours today!
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Year 10 Careers Update

In March 2025, all Year 10 students will be offered the opportunity to take part in a virtual mock interview to improve their employability skills. In order to prepare for this event, all Year 10 students must fill out a survey that will be used to inform the interview structure in general. *These surveys are anonymous.* Tutor groups will have one day next week where they are in an IT room to complete this on a computer.

Careers Call Out to Parents

Our Annual Careers Fair will be taking place on Wednesday 5 February 2025. In order to try and represent as many industries as possible, we are still trying to find a volunteer in the following sectors:

Hairdressing/Barbering

Music

Performing Arts/Drama

Mechanics

All trades e.g. welder, bricklayer, electrician, plumber.

If you are interested in introducing students to new careers, please contact Tasha Granger –

our Careers, Education, Information, Advice & Guidance Co-ordinator TLG@king-ed.suffolk.sch.uk for more information.

Reminder - Year 8 Vaccinations - Thursday 9 January

Please ensure you have completed the consent form for the Year 8 HPV Vaccinations ahead of 9 January 2025.

Please can you also ensure your child comes into school wearing a short sleeved shirt and has had something to eat before they arrive at school. A copy of the consent form can be found here: [Hertfordshire Community Immunisation](#)

Signing Students Up for Extracurricular Clubs

Details of extracurricular clubs can be found here: [Extra-Curricular-Clubs-and-Activities-v-1-Spring-Term.pdf](#) Check the school website before the start of term, more clubs are still to be added to the timetable. You can book your child into clubs using: [SchoolCloud - King Edward VI School](#) Why not send your child to Debate club on Tuesday after school, to see if they want to try it out next term?



Norfolk and Suffolk Foundation Trust (NSFT)'s Psychology in Schools Team

The NSFT are holding free online workshops and webinars focused on young people's mental health and wellbeing. Click the link to find out more: [Psychology in Schools Team](#)

Where to Find Support Over the Festive Period

From heart-breaking events across the world to difficulties much closer to home, it's understandable if approaching the end of the year is bringing up some mixed emotions for you or a young person in your life. When times are tough, it's easy to ignore the positives. But when you stop and reflect, you often realise that you've achieved more than you thought. Even if that's just making it to the end of the day. We know a lot of services tend to wind down over the festive period, and this reduced amount of support can feel scary. So, here are some suggestions of support over the holidays if you need it. We hope it helps and reassures you that you're not alone.

[Child Line](#)

Open 24/7 for under-19s, call 0800 1111 or chat online.

[Helplines | Mind - Mind](#)

Their four helplines are open during the daytime Mon-Fri (except 25-26 Dec and 1 Jan).

[Samaritans](#)

Open 24/7 for all ages, call 116 123

[Shout](#)

Text SHOUT to 85258 for support over text message, open 24/7 for all ages.

Winter Holiday Activity and Food (HAF) is Live

The Winter HAF programme is live with lots of opportunities for Free School Meal eligible families to book onto.

Families can access Christmas Food Boxes, sport and craft activities and many more.

Please use the [booking system \(eequ.org\)](http://eequ.org).

Further information can be found at: [Holiday Activity and Food \(HAF\) programme 2024 in Suffolk - InfoLink \(infolink.suffolk.gov.uk\)](#)

Please contact HAF directly if you have any questions or need any further information:

HAFenquiries@suffolk.gov.uk

Year 7 & 8 Students

The Saturday morning children's book club at Bury St Edmunds Library is on from 10.15-11am. The book club is aimed at children aged 9-12 year olds.

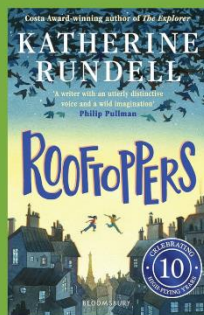
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Chatterbooks

Our current read is:



A venture onto the hotel rooftop opens Sophie's world when she discovers a community of orphan children called Rooftoppers.

We will also be making a Rooftoppers themed bookmark at the 4 January session!



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Hopefully see you at CATS next week!

Deri O'Regan

Dates for your Diary

Term Dates [2024-2025](#) & [2025-2026](#)

Additional information can be found on the [calendar page](#) of the website

Mon 16 – Thurs 19 Dec 35	Year 11 Art and Photography Mock Exams
Wed 18 – Fri 20 Dec 24	School Production of CATS!
Fri 20 Dec 24	End of Term – 1.20pm
Mon 6 Jan 25	School Close - Staff Training Day
Tue 7 Jan 25	Term Starts
Thurs 9 Jan 25	Year 8 HPV Vaccinations
Fri 10 Jan 25	Year 11 Mock Exam Results Published

Thought for the Week

**And she will bear a Son, and you shall call His name Jesus, for it is He who will save His people from their sins.
Matthew 1:21**

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