



Today's Prayer

Listen or read the Prayer for the Day and join in with thousands of others saying these words.

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Dear Parents and Carers

Some of our students competed the Suffolk Schools Cross Country competition, held in Woodbridge. The following was sent in from Mr Whiting (parent): *It was a family affair for the Whitings. Isla Whiting finished 4th in the Inter Girls Race and Josh Whiting finished 14th in the Minor Boys Race. both qualified for the Anglian Championship, which was held last weekend, Isla did extremely well, finishing 12th and qualifying for the finals, Josh made the difficult decision to put his football commitments first so he passed up the opportunity to race. Isla will now compete at the England School Championship, that will be held in West Sussex on Saturday, 15 March.*



Year 9 Options

For any parent who missed the Year 9 Options Evening, please review our options booklet here: [2025 Options brochure](#) and note the deadline for choices is Friday, 28 February 2025.

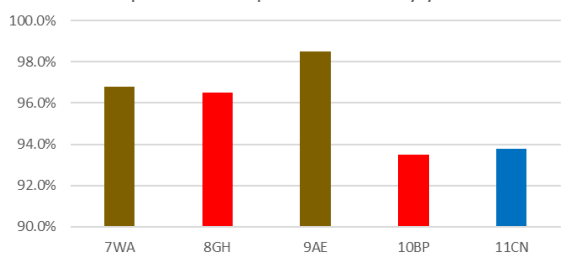


Careers Fair 2025

On Wednesday we held our Annual Careers Fair across three rooms, from the Library to the Foundation Room. We had 23 stall holders in attendance from 16 different industries. The goal of the fair was to encourage students to start thinking about their likes and dislikes and to raise aspirations. Year 9 and Year 10 students attended the fair during lesson time, with all other Years welcome at break and lunchtime. Thank you to all students who represented the school incredibly well by asking questions and engaging well in conversations.



Top Tutor Group Attendance by year





Year 11 Exam Stress Workshop

[CLICK HERE](#) for a copy of the parent letter giving details of an important exam stress workshop that will be running twice after half-term. Further information and details were presented to students this week during their assembly. Attendance is voluntary but we would encourage as many students as possible to sign up and would ask you to have a conversation with your son/daughter about the benefits of doing so.



Tips for Parents and Carers: Keeping you and your family safe online



In-line with online safety week, assemblies were focused on how to spot, respond to and report all types of scams online. Scams can take many forms and may target anyone, including young people. Please click this link for top tips on how to keep you and your family members safe online: [Tips for Parents and Carers - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)



Auditions for the Theatre Royal Production of Sword in the Stone

Bury St Edmunds Theatre Royal will be in school on Thursday 13 February to promote the upcoming auditions for the 'Sword in the Stone' production.

They will be back in school Wednesday 26 February to hold the after-school auditions for the play.

THEATRE ROYAL
BURY ST EDMUNDS

**THEATRE ROYAL
SUMMER SCHOOL 2025**

Sword in the Stone

A NEW ADAPTATION BY EILISH MULLANE

Give your child an unforgettable summer filled with creativity, learning and adventure! Our Theatre Royal Summer School offers 11-18 year olds the chance to be part of a new modern adaptation of *Sword in the Stone*. This experience is not just about putting on a show—it's about building confidence, honing skills and making lifelong memories.

We are also seeking a small group of Young Technicians. If you will be aged 16 – 18 and a school leaver this summer we would love to hear from you.

YOUR CHILD WILL RECEIVE:

- Three weeks of immersive, professional training and activities in acting, backstage work and production.
- Daily guidance from experienced theatre professionals who will mentor them every step of the way.
- A chance to develop real-world skills like teamwork, communication and problem-solving in a fun and supportive environment.
- The unique experience of performing on the historic Theatre Royal stage.

ALL FOR JUST £275

WEEK ONE: Setting the Stage

- Cast arrival and guided theatre tour
- Full company meet and greet
- Script read-through and character analysis
- Drama workshops to develop acting techniques
- Introduction to backstage roles and responsibilities

WEEK TWO: Bringing the Show to Life

- Scene rehearsals with the director
- Costume fittings and initial design discussions
- Hands-on exploration of set design and props
- Voice and movement sessions

WEEK THREE: Tech and Production Week

- Technical rehearsals: lighting, sound and stage management
- Dress rehearsals in full costume
- Final run-throughs with professional feedback

Important Dates!

AUDITIONS
Mon 3 Mar. 6:30pm-8:30pm

REHEARSALS
4-8 & 11-15 Aug

PRODUCTION WEEK
18-20 Aug

PERFORMANCES
21-23 Aug

Following the audition process, if your child is cast we will require a £55 non-returnable deposit to secure their place in this production.

Full and partial bursaries are available to help cover costs. Flexible payment plans can be arranged to suit your needs.

We encourage anyone with any queries to contact us directly to discuss what support might be available. We want to ensure that finances are not a barrier to participation.

GET INVOLVED
Don't miss out on this incredible opportunity!
Any queries email: engagement@theatreroyal.org
Visit: www.theatreroyal.org for more info.

SCAN HERE TO APPLY

Local Events:

SUFFOLK LIBRARIES **WHERE I BELONG**

Chatterbooks

Our current read is:

Meet Hilda. She can never sit still for long without setting off on an adventure!

While on an expedition to seek out the magical creatures of the mountains around her home, Hilda spots a mountain troll...

We will also be creating a Hilda comic page at our next session!

By donating to Suffolk Libraries you can help us fund crucial additional services that reduce social, digital and rural isolation in our communities. For details visit www.suffolklibraries.co.uk/donate HMRC charity number: XT34476

HALF TERM STARTS WITH ABBEYCROFT

From action-packed Adventure Days, to fun Valentine's pool parties & Wicked themed dance parties, we've got all that it takes to keep children entertained this February half term.

- ⊗ Dance Party
- ⊗ Petting Zoo
- ⊗ Soft Play
- ⊗ XHeight
- ⊗ Swimming
- ⊗ Bouncy Castle
- ⊗ Valentine's Pool Parties
- ⊗ Magic Show
- ⊗ Explore Outdoor
- ⊗ Racquet Sports

Book Now - abbeycroft.org.uk or via our app

*Not all activities are available at every site

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Everyone at King Edward VI School would like to wish you a not too chilly weekend.



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 3 Feb 25	Science Live Trip
Wed 5 Feb 25	Careers Fair
Thurs 6 Feb 25	Year 9 Options Evening
Mon 10 – Fri 14 Feb 25	Careers Week
Mon 10 – Fri 14 Feb 25	Year 11 NEA Food Practical GCSE Exams
Fri 14 Feb 25	Report 2 Published on Go4Schools
Mon 17 – Fri 21 Feb 25	Half-Term
Monday 24 Feb 25	Return to School
Mon 24 - Fri 28 Feb	Learning Conversation Week
Tues 25 Feb	Taster Tuesday
Wed 26 Feb	Year 10 Parents Evening – Online
Thurs 27 Feb	Year 10 Parents Evening – In person
Fri 28 Feb	Year 10 Mock Interviews

Thought for the Week

**Knowledge is not free, you have to pay attention.
Prof Richard Feynman**

All past issues of this Newsletter are available [on our website](#).