



Today's Prayer

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Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you to everyone who supported World Book Day. We have raised vital funds for the school Library and will share further details next week. If you have a young person who is struggling to be motivated with reading, why not use ChatGPT to search for good books for your reluctant teenage reader? Try asking AI: "recommend me 10 books for a 13-year-old reluctant reader who has an interest in boats".

English Speaking Union Competition

We got through to the regional finals of the English Speaking Union Shakespeare competition. Our wonderful Mikey will represent our school in the regional finals. We also took Ava and Polly along with us and although they didn't get through, they were phenomenal. They were so polite and were cheering on the other schools for every performance. We couldn't be more proud.



Please let us know if you change your email address, phone number or move house so that we are able to contact you quickly in the event of an emergency and so that you receive all information sent to parents/carers by the school.

上海市洋泾菊园实验学校

Shanghai Yangjing Juyuan Experimental School

Click the link for see the video from Shanghai:

[VIDEO](#)



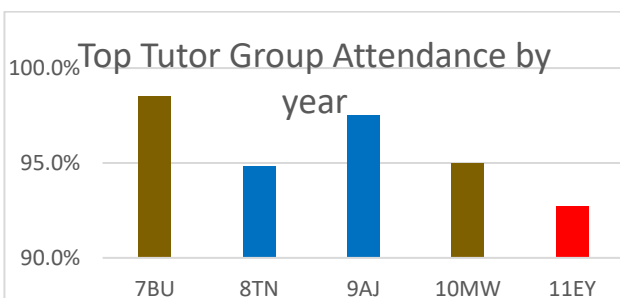
Suffolk County Council (SCC) funded school travel for 2025/2026

If your child is eligible for Suffolk County Council (SCC) funded school travel, you will need to opt-in by **31 May 2025** to receive travel for the start of the 2025/2026 school year.

If your child already receives SCC funded school travel, you still need to opt-in every year.

If your child is starting secondary school in September 2025 and they are eligible for SCC funded school travel, you will be contacted by the 3 April 2025. You will need to opt-in if you would like your child to use this service.

If your child is starting primary school in September 2025 and they are eligible for SCC funded school travel, you will be contacted by the 10 May 2025. You will need to opt-in if you would like your child to use this service from 31 May 2025.



For more information on the SCC school travel policy and getting your child to school please visit: www.suffolkonboard.com/optin.

Trips

Please see below summary and updates for some of the upcoming trips this year:

- Year 7 History: 1, 2, 3 July 2025 - Framlingham Castle Day Trip (Mr Bull). Enrolment remains open until the end of March. Funding is available to Pupil Premium students. ParentPay will not open until final numbers are confirmed.
- Year 9 Languages: 1-4 July 2025 - Paris Residential Visit (Mr Ghali). Final payment is due 11 April.
- Years 7/8/9/10 Reward Trips: 17 July 2025. Enrolment remains open until end of March. ParentPay for Years 8/9/10 will not open until final numbers are confirmed. ParentPay is open for the Year 7 Reward Trip.
- Year 10 History: 19-20 September 2025 - Battlefields Residential Visit (Mr Shaw). **Enrolment closes midnight Monday 10 March**, and the ballot will take place on Tuesday 11 March to determine student places. A contribution is available to Pupil Premium students. ParentPay will not open until final numbers are confirmed.

Year 7 Easter Egg Hunt Fundraiser



To continue to raise funds for the Year 7 reward day at the end of the year we are hosting an Easter Egg Hunt on Thursday 3 April during lesson 4. Students will work in small teams to find clues around school and then collect their egg at the end. Tickets for the Hunt are £5 per student and need to be bought on Parent Pay or in Student Services by Wednesday 26 March.

Students with poor behaviour will not be allowed to participate.

What is Cyberbullying?



Cyberbullying is bullying that takes place online. Unlike bullying offline, online bullying can follow the child wherever they go, via social networks, gaming and mobile phones. A person can be bullied online and offline at the same time.

Any child can be bullied for any reason. If a child is seen as different in some way or seen as an easy target they can be more at risk. This might be because of their: race or ethnic background, gender, sexual orientation, or it could be because they: appear anxious or have low self-esteem, lack assertiveness or are shy or introverted.

Popular or successful children are also bullied, sometimes because others are jealous of them. Sometimes a child's family circumstance or home life can be a reason for someone bullying them. Disabled children can experience bullying because they seem an easy target and less able to defend themselves.

Please talk to your child regarding online bullying and encourage them to have a zero tolerance if they witness it happening on social media or in a group chat, they are part of. The following link has a range of advice from the NSPCC and our pastoral teams are always very keen to tackle any incidents of bullying should your child be affected by it: [Helping Children Deal with Bullying & Cyberbullying | NSPCC](#)

SENDIASS Sessions for Parents and Carers

Booking is open for an online session for parents and carers, hosted by SENDIASS, delivered by specialist teachers from the [Speech, Language and Communication Service](#), exploring how to support the communication skills of children/young people, to better understand their behaviour. (26 March 2025, 10am – 11:30am)

[REGISTER HERE](#)

Kooth Webinars



In March Kooth are running webinars on How Kooth and Qwell meets the needs of SEND & Neurodivergent young people. There are 2 dates available to families. All webinars are 30 minutes in length.

The session will cover:

- Specific website features that could suit a SEND or Neurodivergent user.
- How Kooth meet web accessibility guidelines.
- Ways Kooth keep users safe.
- What happens when alternative or additional support might be needed.

How to sign up:

Secure your spot today. Once signed up, you'll receive a confirmation email and joining instructions will follow the day before the webinar is due to take place: [sign up here](#)

Holiday Activity Program

[CLICK HERE](#) for more details.

The poster features a purple-to-green gradient background. At the top is the 'Suffolk Holiday Activity Programme' logo. Below it, the text reads 'HAF EASTER COUNTDOWN' in large, bold, black letters. A teal brushstroke contains the text 'Eequ go live date 10th March 2025'. Below this, it says 'HAF Easter activities will be going live on Eequ on the 10th of March 2025, To book: use the link or QR Code below - more details to come!'. The URL 'https://eequ.org/suffolkhaf' is provided, followed by a large QR code.

Local Activities:

The poster is for 'BURY WILDLIFE DAY 2025' on Saturday 17th May, from 9.30am to 4pm at Abbey Gardens. It features logos for the Bury Water Meadows Group, illustrations of a butterfly, a bat, a dragonfly, and a bird, and a photograph of a field of colorful flowers. Text includes: 'Explore the amazing wildlife of our town's water meadows at our annual festival in the Abbey Gardens.', 'FREE guided walks and fascinating talks led by local ecology specialists and enthusiasts.', 'Plus, creative activities and mini-beast safaris for all the family', and 'For more details go to: Bury Water Meadows Group Facebook Page'. A QR code is also present.

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Everyone at King Edward VI would like to wish you a sunny 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

Thurs 13 March	Suffolk Speak Out Workshop
Tues 18 March	Parent Focus Group Tea & Talk
Tues 18 March	KS3 PSHE Session: County Lines
Wed 19 – Thurs 20 March	Year 8 Parents Evening (online)
Mon 24 – Wed 26 March	GCSE MFL Speaking Exams
Mon 24 – Fri 28 March	PraySpace
Thurs 27 March	Spring Concert
Thurs 27 March	Y10 Blood Brothers Trip
Sat 29 – Mon 31 March	Duke of Edinburgh
Mon 31 March	GCSE Presenting and Performing Texts Exam
Tues 1 – Wed 2 April	MenAcwy/DTP Vaccinations (Y9)
Fri 4 April	End of Term

Thought for the Week:

**A wise girl knows her limits, a smart girl knows she has none.
Marylin Monroe**

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