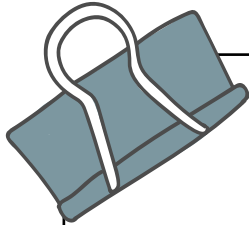


PARENT AND CARER NEWSLETTER

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WELCOME!

Welcome to the first newsletter of 2025!

As we step into a new year, we're excited to reflect on the incredible achievements from the end of last term and look ahead to the opportunities that await.

Highlights from the end of the year include the CEFAS careers event, where students gained valuable insight into the important work done by CEFAS. Our Criminology students had the chance to conduct a bloodstain analysis, where they learned how to determine what happened at a crime scene based on blood patterns.

We also had local MP Jess Asato visit our Politics students for an engaging talk and Q&A session, offering real-world perspectives on political life.

We had an inspiring and eventful term, and we are proud of everything our students have achieved.

We hope you enjoy reading about these achievements, and we look forward to seeing what 2025 brings!

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CEFAS CAREERS EVENT



Recently, several students attended the CEFAS careers event in Pakefield, Lowestoft.

Students learnt about the work CEFAS does and the journeys that some of their staff had taken to work for CEFAS. They also had the opportunity to visit stands showcasing the important work they undertake.

MATHS PROGRAMME

We are really excited to be a part of the East Maths Community Programme which has been funded by the Maths Excellence Fund. The programme is being run by the Inspiration Trust and University of East Anglia, the goal of the programme is to prepare more students to do well in A Level Maths and beyond.

If you would like to know more about the Maths Excellence Fund, then you can do so [here](#).

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CRIMINOLOGY

BLOODSTAIN ANALYSIS

Criminology students looked at Bloodstain Pattern Analysis in a recent session. They were taught about different patterns and how to determine what happened at a crime scene by examining the evidence left over. Students recreated these patterns using fake blood kits and acted as crime scene investigators to analyse other creations and determine the bloodstain pattern. They were also inspired to decorate their criminology folders using the materials.



Criminology students with their evidence

A LEVEL LANGUAGE CONFERENCE

Our Year 12 and 13 A Level English Language students attended the English and Media Centre A Level Language conference in London. The conference featured five talks on a range of language issues given by real-life linguists and academics from universities all over the UK and journalists, talking about their research and the real-life impact of their work. The talks were linked to the students' A Level studies and offered insights into where studying language and linguistics at university could take them.



Students attending the A Level language conference in London

MP VISIT'S POLITICS



Local MP for Lowestoft, Jess Asato, visited the Sixth Form last week to give a talk to A Level Politics students. The students were really engaged and asked insightful questions that showed the scope of their knowledge on local issues and the impact that local government can have. Jess gave some fantastic responses, exploring in-depth questions raised and explaining what steps were being taken by her and the Labour government at large to support the community.

REMEMBRANCE DAY PARADE

On Remembrance Day, our students and staff came together to commemorate across all of our campuses. We held a two-minute silence with a parade and poetry by our Policing and Uniformed Services students and staff.



UPS and Policing students Remembrance Day Parade

MEDIA WORKSHOPS



Media students in a workshop with a local artist

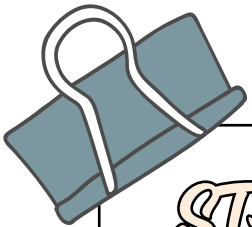
Over the past two weeks, the Level 3 Extended Diploma Media students have been working with artists from the local area to immerse themselves in different technologies to create a piece of work which looks at youth culture. The local artists who work alongside local arts group Collusion have run workshops in video mixing creatively, 360 cameras, and AR scanning to create a 3D image and use of immersive sound.

The students will be working alongside and creating work, which is due to be housed in the local Time and Tide Museum in Great Yarmouth in their new digital gallery. The digital and engaging exhibition will display the current youth culture in an exciting and immersive way.

PRIDE CLUB

Recently, Lowestoft Sixth Form Pride Club had two guest speakers, which included LGBTQ+ Project and Queer Norfolk. The LGBTQ+ project had Sophie Reynolds speak about the project and her experiences and hand out some free goodies. Queer Norfolk's Adam Baker educated students about the history of LGBTQ+ rights in the UK from as early as the 1500s and included pieces from their website, "handing the ownership of queer stories, artefacts, videos and pictures back to our community, we are building an archive that empowers people to access, discover, and contribute to our shared history". Students arranged pieces of literature in chronological order and learned more about their local community.

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