



Dear Parents,

We began the week with our Year 7 and 8 pupils travelling to London to visit the Houses of Parliament. The pupils travelled by train from Stowmarket directly into London before taking the Underground to Westminster. They had a wonderful day and thoroughly enjoyed the experience.

Trips such as this are another example of the opportunities available to pupils at the top of the school during our senior years. Alongside their academic studies, we want our Year 7 and 8 pupils to enjoy a wide range of experiences that broaden their horizons, build confidence and prepare them well for the next stage of their education.

On Tuesday, it was wonderful to see so many pupils and parents at our Year 7 Scholarship Information Evening. Thank you to everyone who attended and to our specialist staff who were on hand to talk to families about the different scholarship opportunities available at South Lee.

Wednesday saw our individual school photographs taking place, while on Thursday Mrs Martineau marked National Poetry Day with the pupils. Today, we have been celebrating World Smile Day by encouraging everyone to pass on a smile and spread a little kindness around the school.

Next week is another busy one at South Lee Prep.

On Monday and Tuesday, we will be holding our Pastoral Parents' Evenings for Pre School to Year 8 this is from 16:30 until 18:30. Please remember that there will be no clubs on either evening, although Prep will continue to be available.

On Wednesday morning, Suffolk County Council will be visiting the school to run recycling workshops for pupils in Years 3 and 4.

On Thursday, Swans - Year 2 (Pre Prep) will hold their Harvest Festival at 09:00 in the School Hall. Teas, coffees and refreshments will be available for parents from 08:30.

Finally, on Friday it is our Open Morning, your child's timetable for the day will be shared early next week.

On Friday evening, we are delighted to be hosting our next Martineau Lecture, The Wonder of Flight, in association with Oundle College and Imperial College London. The lecture will begin at 17.00 in the School Hall and is mainly aimed at pupils in Years 3 to 8 and their parents. Drinks and nibbles will be available for parents from 16:30 in the GP room. We do hope that you can attend, as it will be fabulous!

Have a wonderful weekend.
Best wishes,
Mrs Catchpole

2nd October 2026

Upcoming Dates

Character Strength: **ENTHUSIASM**



Key Dates for Next Week:

Monday 5th:

World Space & Dyslexia Awareness Week Begins
World Teachers' Day
13:30 Pupil Academic Focus Group Meeting
16:30-18:30 Pastoral Parents Evening Pre School - Year 8

Tuesday 6th:

08:30 PTA Meeting
16:30 - 18:30 Pastoral Parents Evening Pre School - Year 8

Wednesday 7th:

09:00 Years 3 & 4 Recycling Work Shop
14:30 U13 Hockey v OBH & Barnardiston Hall (A)
14:30 U11 Rugby v St Josephs' College (A)

Thursday 8th:

Prep Verse Speaking Competition Launch Years 3 - 8
09:00 Pre Prep Harvest Festival (Swans - Year 2)

Friday 9th:

World Mental Health Day
09:00 - 12:00 Open Morning
14:30 U 9 Mixed Netball v Orwell Park
17:00 Martineau Lecture - STEM Roadshow

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Pupil Spotlight

Sports Outside of School!



Callum K:

Was awarded two medals, 8 personal bests and a county time!



Arjun P:

Arjun got a silver medal in a national Brazilian Jui Jitsu competition in Norwich last weekend. It was his first big competition and he kept his composure for it!



Eliot C:

Eliot scored a Personal Best!



Michael H-A:

Started the new season off with ten races and won ten medals. 4 golds, 4 silver, and 2 bronze and received 11 county times!



Amalie C:

Bronze medal in 100 fly!
2 County Times for 50 Fly & 100 Fly!
Getting Personal Bests in all of her races!





Celebration Assembly Awards:

Head Awards: Jude J, Margot F, Joey L, Edward B, Thea H, Grace S, Darren D, Jack J-W, William T, Bruce F, Charlie L, Tom W, Ava G

Learning Dispositions Award:

Ariya P, Peyton H, Rosa J, Robin D, Anastacia B, Olivia P, Edison L, Ezmai B, Anna C, Percy B, Freddie C

Musician of the Week: William T

Artist of the Week: Ruby D

Drama Award: Mollie P & Amalie C

Style Award: Teddy W

Female Sports Award: Saoirse L

Male Sports Award: William W



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