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"The Accolade"

All parents should have received the first of this year's publications with this news sheet. This is our monthly celebration of all our success in and out of the classroom and will be sent home on the last school day of each month.

Photographs

From time to time, we are asked by the local papers and other visiting groups if they can photograph students. Similarly we use photographs ourselves for display and publications. No child is ever photographed on his/her own with a visitor and we find that students are pleased to be included. However, if you do not wish your child to be photographed, please e-mail Mrs write or Bennett (cbennett@countyupper.suffolk.sch.uk) to this effect. Without this notification, we shall assume that parents have given their consent for this academic year.

Jumpers

From Monday 2nd October, all students are required to wear their jumpers in lessons. They may ask their teachers' permission to remove them but there will be no more "pullovers off days" until the spring.

P.T.A.

- Thank you to those parents who have made a donation to the PTA fund. There is still time for those who wish to donate to do so.
- A final reminder that the PTA
 AGM will be held on Tuesday
 3rd October at 7.30 pm in the
 Community Lounge. All are
 welcome and the AGM will be
 followed by the first committee
 meeting of this academic year.

Year Group News

Year 10

Thank you to those parents who attended the Beginning of Year Information Evening this week. All parents should now have received, via their children, the **curriculum year booklet** for 2006-2007.

Year 11

- Year 11 parents will get their children's Curriculum Year Booklet next week. This includes all the coursework deadlines and other key dates and will be a handy reference source for this important GCSE year.
- All parents should have received a letter, via their children, about next week's parents' evening. This is on Thursday 5th October from

4.30 pm to 7.00 pm. Those parents whom we would especially like to see because staff have concerns at this stage should receive an additional letter through the post today or tomorrow.

Year 13

- Next week all students will receive their latest set of predicted grades via their tutors. These are the ones which will be used on the UCAS references of those applying for Higher Education.
- Students who are applying to Oxford and Cambridge must hand in their completed UCAS forms by Wednesday October at the latest. Other students should be well on the way with their applications and parents are advised that the relevant website www.ucas.com. Should your children need little a encouragement (!) Mr Howard is available for advice.
- Sue Barker, from Connexions, is available to students and parents for those not intending

to pursue Higher Education next year.

Gonenkai AGM

The Gonenkai AGM will be held at CUS (Community Lounge) from 6.30p.m. on Monday 9th October. The agenda includes a report by the group who went to Japan in October 2005 and plans for the changeover of the arrangements for this extra-curricular activity. The change from "Gonenkai" to the Japanese Department within the County Upper School Modern Languages Faculty will be outlined. All are welcome.

Fixtures

02.10.06 U15 football v Deben High (a)

03.10.06 U15 (B) football v Sudbury (a)

04.10.06 U16 (B) football v Samuel Ward (h)