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11 December 2015

## Final Reminders

### The Carol Service

Our annual service, a traditional evening of lessons and carols, will be held in **St Mary's Church, Bury St Edmunds next Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30 pm.** There are no tickets for this, but there will be a retiring collection for Charity 2015.

### Non Uniform Day

Next **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December** will be a **non uniform day** (£1) with fancy dress for sixth formers. Main school students are reminded that it is a normal school day and they should **cover their shoulders** and **avoid bare midriffs.**

### Christmas Lunch

In addition to our **normal full menu** in both the coffee shop and the dining room, our catering staff will serve a **roast Christmas lunch** on **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December** and all students are invited.

### Sixth Form Revue

The sixth form will give a performance of this year's **revue** for parents, friends and former students next **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 8.00 pm.** Tickets are **£5** (no concessions) and the PTA are supplying refreshments and a raffle. All the money collected will go towards **Charity 2015.** Please come along and support the students.

## Year Group News

### Year 9

Parents are reminded that there is a **parents' evening on 14<sup>th</sup> January** between 4.30 and 7.30 pm. Students will bring home the letter on the first day of next term and they will then be able to make appointments for you with their subject teachers.

### Year 11

- **Thank you** to all those year eleven parents who attended their children's **interviews with the senior leadership team.** The attendance of parents was almost 100% and we were impressed with the overwhelming majority of students' attitudes to their post-16 plans. We urge them to ensure they can realise these plans by working hard in the coming months. In particular, they should use the holiday to prepare for the examinations which start on **7<sup>th</sup> January.**
- Well done to all those students who took their **Art** practice examinations this week; your teachers were very impressed with you. Students can now build on this experience for **the actual GCSE.**
- Mrs Sauvage's year eleven German group have their Controlled Writing Assessment on **Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December.**
- Students in year eleven will receive a **mini revision guide** for history from their class teacher. They are also advised to use the history learning site to find more detailed information, past papers and examples of how to answer questions. This can be accessed by visiting [www.history.bsecus.org](http://www.history.bsecus.org). Students should click on the "Learning Site" link and use their gmail login to access it.

### Year 12

Students attending the **engineering workshop** next week must meet at Bury St Edmunds train station **no later than 7.25 am** on Monday morning. All being well, we will be returning on the train which arrives in Bury St Edmunds at 6.23 pm on the Tuesday evening.

### Year 13

The year 13 practice examinations start on **13<sup>th</sup> January.**



## German Exchange Information Meeting

A reminder that the German exchange for parents will take place on **Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> January** at 6.30 pm in the coffee shop.

## Fixtures

**16.12.15**

U16 boys' basketball v Thomas Gainsborough (h)

U19 netball v Coplestone (a)

## The New Term

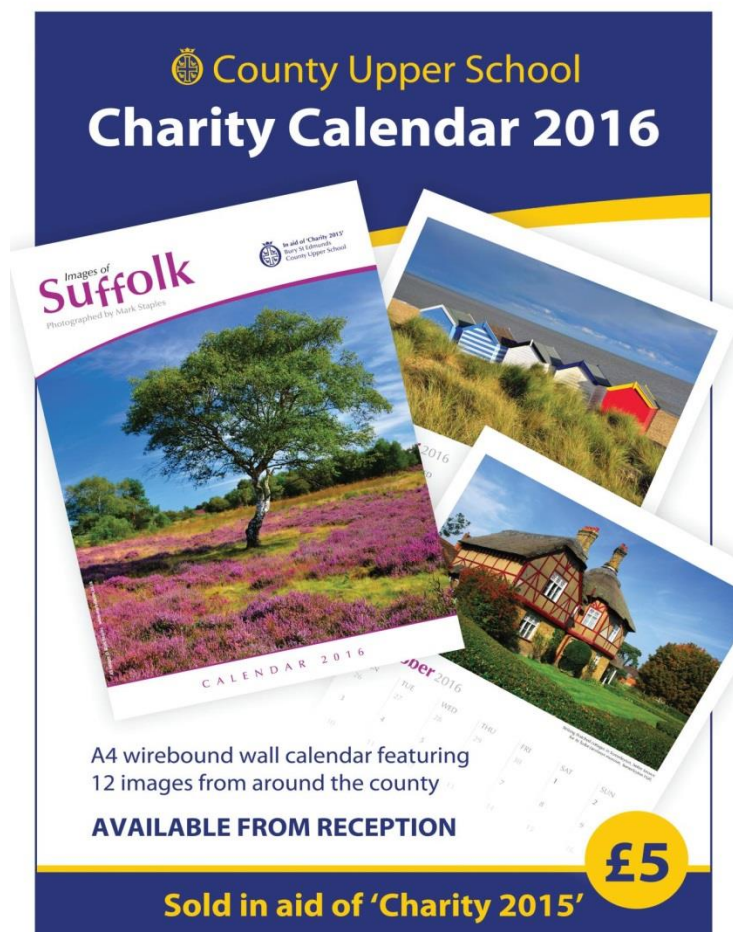
Term starts on **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January** when students return in full uniform with **natural hair** colour and **no body piercing apart from ears, where small studs** are acceptable. Girls may wear the **school skirt** with navy, grey or black tights or socks and shoes. However, **skirts cannot be worn with boots and a combination of leggings or tights with socks may not be worn. Trousers must not be of a 'skinny style', or jean-like fabric.**

## Severe Weather

**The school's expectation is that we will stay open** and parents and students should assume that school is open unless the school's website, our answerphone message and local radio say otherwise. In the unlikely event of a total closure, the procedure is that this will go onto our website and answerphone by 7.30 am at the latest and the information relayed to BBC Radio Suffolk (FM 104.6) or Heart (FM 96.4) by this time.

## Dates of future Publications

- The next edition of the *County Courier* will be published on **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> January**.
- The next edition of "*The Accolade*" will be published on **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December** and will include the final Charity total.
- We give our thanks to **Miss Collins** for these excellent productions again this term.



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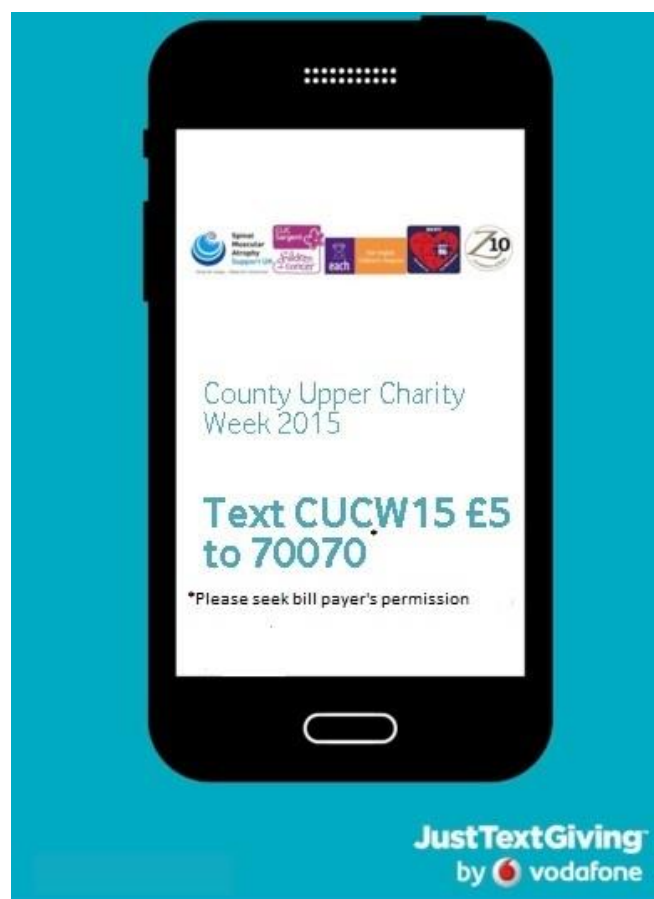
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