

SCHOOL NEWS

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DISCOVERY

DIARY DATES

30/06/25 – School day returns to normal structure
30/06/25 – Year 10 Drama exam
30/06/25 – Social Sciences trip
01/07/25-02/07/25 – Year 12 Induction Days
02/07/25 – Year 10 Parent Careers drop in
03/07/25 – Year 11 Prom
04/07/25 – Sports Day
07/07/25 – Year 10 Taster Day
08/07/25 – Harry Potter Trip
09/07/25-10/07/25 – Year 6 Induction Days
11/07/25 – Year 5 STEAM Day
14/07/25 – Thorpe Park Business trip
15/07/25 – Year 12 Pathways Day
15/07/25 – Year 12 Parents' UCAS Launch
16/07/25-18/07/25 – Hautbois residential (Year 9)
22/07/25 – Last Day of term- students finish at 1:10pm
23/07/25 – Summer Holidays commence.

SAFEGUARDING AT TAVERHAM HIGH SCHOOL

The School's Designated Safeguarding Leads – Ms R Ricketts, Mrs G Killington, Mrs A Reynolds, Mr S Blowers.

Emergency contact number: 0344 800 8021

NSPCC– Run Helpline for Victims of Sexual Abuse in Schools: 0800 136 663

Wellbeing and Mental Health Referral Form:

If you are worried about the wellbeing of one of our students, please complete a referral form; this can be used as a self-referral form or as a referral for someone else. It can be found on our school website on the 'students' page and can be accessed via this link:

<https://forms.office.com/r/jwPTkVYnYz>

ATTENDANCE

House attendance:

Mars 91.8%
Jupiter 93.5%
Neptune: 92.4%
Earth: 92.1%

92.3%

If your child has an appointment during school time, please call 01603 860505 or email office@taverhamhigh.org with the name of the student, date and time of the appointment. Students will make their own way to reception to sign out to be collected by parents/carers.

HOUSE VOICE

What a busy week in Student Leadership, and where to start!

Firstly, we have held Prefect Interviews all week and are pleased to confirm we now have a full Prefect team in place for September – prefects are very excited and already asking for lanyards! All new prefects will complete a half day of training in September where they will be issued lanyards and duties.

In other news, we held our first ever Summer Celebration Event, and there are a lot of thank yous to be made for what turned out to be a brilliant afternoon for all! Thank you, first of all, to our brilliant student performers, the wonderful food prepared by our Year 10 Hospitality and Catering students and to all the staff and students who helped to put together the first portion of the afternoon. This was the first event like this that we have run so I will just explain a little bit about the event itself.

The Summer Celebration Event has been created to celebrate students who involve themselves in other aspects of school life, who consistently demonstrate our school values and to those that make contributions to our student leadership system.

Although we have our Awards Night in the Autumn term, this event is more about celebrating the 'other bits and bobs' which, in a way, are the unsung and sometimes unnoticed amazing things our students get involved in during their time with us. We can't wait to make this event bigger and better next year!



Celebration TIME!

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN...

It has been wonderful to watch our students develop their mathematical knowledge as the year has progressed. Year 10 students have completed their end of year assessments this week and have commented on how much the recall starters we use at the start of each lesson have helped them with their underpinning knowledge. In the maths department, we use sets of questions at the start of the lesson to support students with recall of knowledge. Over a period of time, this repetition of short questions supports students with securing key knowledge – a process all year groups benefit from. They complete the questions in the back of their books, with corrections in green. We encourage you, as parents and carers, to have conversations with your child about the maths they learn in school – and this is a great starting point.

We are looking forward to welcoming the new intake of Year 6 students over the coming weeks, who will be investigating a classic number problem, as well as Year 5 students who are joining us for a STEAM day and looking at three-dimensional thinking. Higher up the school, our current Year 10 students have an opportunity to explore the option of maths and core maths as A-Level options. Maths is a traditional option for our highest achieving students who want to study to a greater depth. Core maths is an exciting, relatively new course, which looks at the application of maths across a broad range of areas including tax and pay. It is open to all and is an additional course that can be chosen alongside the usual three A-level options. For more information, please speak to Mrs Greer or Mr Robinson.

We recently ran a maths trip to Bletchley Park for students who also study History. It included a lesson about codebreaking during the Second World War where students worked to break some codes and had the chance to touch the famous Enigma Machine. The tour of the site offered a fascinating insight into life working as a codebreaker and how the individuals there knew so little about the work they were doing and its bigger picture. There is a working model of the Bombe machine used to crack the Enigma code and students were told a little about the maths behind the vast number of combinations that made this task so difficult.



Mrs H Crane
Deputy Lead for Maths, responsible for Key Stage 3



SIXTH FORM

NEWS

This week a group of our Year 12 students went on an enrichment trip to London. The economists went to the Bank of England as well as the London School of Economics, whilst the sociology and philosophy & ethics students visited the Old Bailey and The Royal Courts of Justice. Thank you to Ms Green, Mr Mayet and Ms Reding for facilitating this trip and providing our students with the opportunity to experience their subjects in action.

It was lovely to see our Sixth Form leaders supporting at the summer celebration event this week. They have really hit the ground running and are already working hard to make sure students have the best experience at Taverham. I am excited for what is to come!

This evening, we join Year 13 at their prom to celebrate the end of the exam season and their Sixth Form journey. They have been a remarkable year group, and I hope they enjoy the evening as they truly deserve it. I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Mrs L Robertson
Head of Sixth Form



STUDENT NEWS

This week, our student leadership team embarked on our very first meeting to discuss our plans for the Year 12 Induction Day and to establish our shared goals and aspirations for the end of this academic year and the next academic year. We concluded that our focus will be to bridge the Sixth Form and main school together and promote solidarity, to create an environment that all students feel comfortable and heard. We also wish to encourage the new Year 12 students to get involved in student leadership by joining committees, which they will learn more about on our induction days taking place on Tuesday and Wednesday next week. Ahead of the induction days, we want to enlighten future Sixth Formers that we are introducing new enrichment options including Young Enterprise and a gardening club.

We also wanted to share the success that was the summer celebration evening this week. Congratulations to everyone who won an award and thank you to the parents/carers who turned up to support the winners, and more importantly the students that were involved in making the evening run smoothly. We wanted to remind everyone that their hard work does not go unnoticed, and that this is the last push before the much-needed holiday so keep up the great work.

Libby K and Will B, Deputy Heads of School
Sixth Form Student Leadership Team



BIG NORFOLK HOLIDAY FUN

The Big Norfolk Holiday Fun (BNHF) activity programme provides holiday activities for children and young people aged 5-16 (or 4 if your child is in reception) in Norfolk.

The Department for Education's funding for the programme has been extended for a further year, after 4 initial years of their support.

Children who receive benefits-related free school meals can claim free spaces on the activities, whilst paid spots are available on many activities for those who don't.

If you feel your child/ward could benefit from a free place but are NOT entitled to Free School Meals, please contact them to discuss applying for an Awarded Place. More information available at: <https://www.activenorfolk.org/organisations/big-norfolk-holiday-fun-providers/cyp/>

You can also find out more on Active Norfolk's FAQ page: <https://www.activenorfolk.org/public/bignorfolkholidayfun/#FAQ>



AND FINALLY...

After what has seemed an extraordinary number of weeks (probably worse for those sitting them, in truth) the exam season has finally finished, with our Year 10 students having their first proper taste of an exam season. While it's important for our students to be given these opportunities to demonstrate their abilities (and for those sitting mocks to be able to learn their areas for improvement), it will be great to see the day changed back to the 'normal' timings and all of the teaching areas available again. Our PE department are fantastic at accommodating the various requirements of exam seasons, but it does make life harder for them – especially when the rain arrives!

This week has been another busy one with a Sixth Form trip to court in London on Monday, a small trip to the Norfolk Show on Wednesday, a Year 8 trip to see Romeo and Juliet at the Globe Theatre in London today, and the Year 13 prom tonight. In addition to this, Wednesday saw our summer celebration event with well over a hundred families invited to join us in celebrating all aspects of school life. There were some fantastic performances from students to add atmosphere and joy to the event and the nibbles were courtesy of Mrs Shirinian and her willing and able junior chefs. Thank you to Mrs Gardiner for organising the event and to all who participated or attended – another lovely reminder of what a fantastic school this is.

Yesterday and today also saw our performances of 'The Spaceman', produced by Miss Andrews and the drama club. These performances, comprising two companies of actors, have taken incredible amounts of discipline and effort to put together in such a short amount of time but, as we're growing used to, they were excellent quality and really engaging. Thank you to all involved.

There are now less than four weeks of term to go but still such a busy calendar ahead of us with the Year 11 prom, countless transition events for our Year 6s who are joining us in September and taster days for prospective Sixth Formers. On top of this we've got the annual Year 9 residential to Hautbois and various other trips planned, so while the holidays are fast approaching, we're certainly not slowing down!

Enjoy the weekend when it arrives!

Mr G Yassin
Headteacher



Useful Contacts and Websites

- **Young Minds:** Resources to help young people care for their mental health, empowers parents to support them: www.youngminds.org.uk
- **NSPCC:** Support and tips to help you keep children safe: www.nspcc.org.uk
- **Thinkuknow:** Helping you to better protect your children online: www.thinkuknow.co.uk
- **Children's society:** Advice pages offer help on a range of topics for young people. www.childrenssociety.org.uk
- **Ownit:** Help, support and advice on how to be safe online.: www.bbc.com/ownit
- **Just one number Chathealth:** Secure NHS approved text messaging service.: <https://www.justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/our-services/chathealth>
- **Nelson's Journey:** Support children and young people following a bereavement.: <https://nelsonsjourney.org.uk/>
- **MAP:** Ensure young people have the access to information, advice, counselling and support they need.: <https://www.map.uk.net/>
- **Kooth:** Access support from other young people and professionals.: <https://www.kooth.com/>
- **Staying Safe:** Help keep people safer from thoughts of harm and suicide: <https://stayingssafe.net/home>
- **Guide for parents and carers, coping with self-harm:** <https://www.ox.ac.uk/news/2015-12-01-new-guide-parents-who-are-coping-their-childs-self-harm-you-are-not-alone>
- **The SEND and inclusion team:** Information about how to support children and young people with SEND. Call the SEND and inclusion support line on 0333 313 7165 [The SEND and inclusion team – Norfolk Schools and Learning Providers – Norfolk County Council](#)



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Carlton Marshes - Thursday 14th August 10:30am to 12:30pm (ALL AGES)



UEA Campus Trip - Thursday 28th August 10 am to 2.30pm (AGE 14 PLUS)

BOOKING



Scan the QR or go to:
<https://forms.office.com/e/9Xt7ymkNAt>



DON'T

MISS OUT!

INTERGENERATIONAL COMMUNITY EVENT 'STORY AND CRAFT CAFE' TAVERHAM HIGH SCHOOL

Babies and children of all ages welcome



Wednesday 16th July 2025

10.30am - 11.30am

(please arrive at 10.15am)

Taverham High School

Beech Ave, Taverham, Norwich

NR8 6HP

FREE TO ATTEND!

Book a session:

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