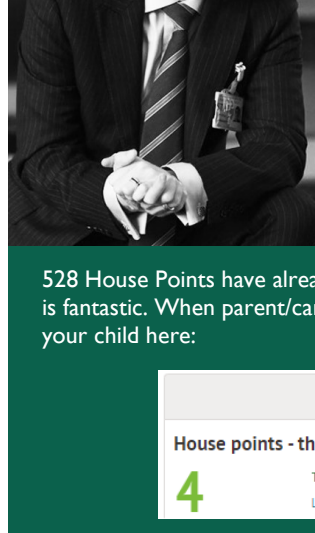


# family BULLETIN



## Welcome!

**Well done to all students on their first full week of the new academic year at SET Ixworth.**

I hope our new staff, students and parents/carers feel warmly welcomed. You will write the next chapters, the next book, the next story, the next series.

We continue to progress this week. New hopes, new dreams, more passion and students responding positively to new routines and to the raising of the bar. In next week's bulletin, I will outline the changes to our behaviour and rewards policy. Thank you to parent/carers for their support with after school detentions.

528 House Points have already been awarded for effort and achievement in lessons this year which is fantastic. When parent/carers log into Arbor, you will be able to see 'positive points' awarded to your child here:

House points - this term	Statistics
<b>4</b> This year: 4 points Last term: 0 points	<b>0</b> Negative Behavioural Incidents - this t... This year: 0 incidents Last term: 0 incidents

Attendance so far this year is at 94% and we will continue to push and to work with you to increase this further. **10 Aide** has 100% attendance this week, followed closely by 7 Butley with **99.3%**. All students should now be recording their homework in their homework diaries and Google Classroom codes will be sent to you by email.

Enrichment has moved to Friday afternoons and our after school extra-curricular programme started on Monday. I would like to thank parent/carers for their patience and forbearance as we resolved some of the technical issues with Arbor.

So, overall, a very positive 9 days.

I would like to give a special mention to Year 11 for their excellent start to their final year. I can see and feel their focus and I have no doubt that this is going to be a successful year for each and every one of them. I would also like to thank all the prefects, head students and Year 8-10 tour guides for their excellent work at last night's Open Evening. You were fantastic ambassadors for our school. Tommy and Lilly, from Year 7, also spoke during the formal presentations in the New Hall and I was so impressed. Day 8 of Year 7 and having the confidence to speak (twice) to a packed hall of around 300 people both times is an achievement. Well done!

Have a very good weekend when it comes.

Mr Barrow  
Executive Headteacher

## IN FOCUS - ART

### Tour of Britain

This year the Tour of Britain, the UK's most prestigious week long cycle race, will be coming to Suffolk on Thursday 7th September. Starting and finishing in Felixstowe, the riders will travel just under 200km around Suffolk taking in some of the county's quintessentially British villages.

If you know about pro road cycling, then you will know how exciting the race is and how great it will be to have such superstars of the sport as Wout Van Aert and Tom Pidcock racing here.

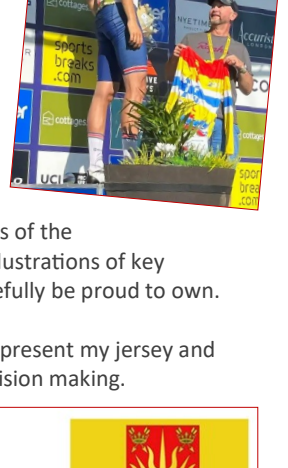
This year, I have been lucky enough to have one of my jersey designs chosen to be presented to the winner of this stage. I initially made three designs and needed the help of several of my art classes to help me decide which one I should submit. Fortunately they helped me select the right one!

The jersey I created draws its design inspiration from the classic designs of the 1950's and 60's, whilst using the colours of the Suffolk flag and some illustrations of key landmarks in Felixstowe, to create something that the winner will hopefully be proud to own.

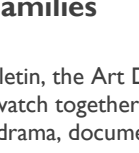
It was a great moment to be able to join the winner on the podium to present my jersey and I would like to thank those students who helped guide my creative decision making.



Mr Rearden



## ARTELEVISION



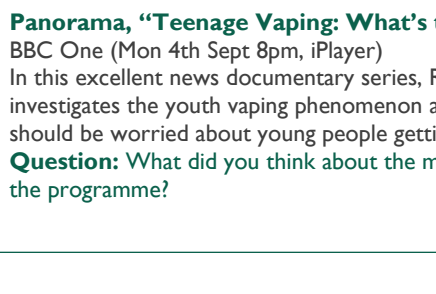
### New Arts Television Guide for Families

Hello! In our new, regular column for the Bulletin, the Art Department are going to offer a guide to arts television programmes that families can watch together. The guide includes a variety of programmes from different genres, including drama, documentary and lifestyle.

As well as sharing some of our personal favourites, the guide is designed to help families learn more about the arts and to spark conversations about different cultures. Each week the programmes will be accompanied by a set of questions that families can discuss. The questions are designed to help families think critically about the programme and to explore different perspectives.

Watching arts television programmes together can be a great way to bond as a family and to learn more about the world. It can also help families to develop a love of the arts.

This week our suggestions are:



### Portrait Artist of the Year Season 10 Episode 1

Sky Arts (On Demand)  
Celebrities v Children Special: Celebrity artists (including Laurence Llewelyn-Bowen, Toyah Wilcox and Leigh Francis aka Keith Lemon) paint alongside six children in the first episode. I really enjoy this programme, and even though I do spend quite a lot of the time complaining about the work, it really does want to make me paint.

**Question:** Did you agree with the choice of winner? Why?

### Panorama, "Teenage Vaping: What's the Harm?"

BBC One (Mon 4th Sept 8pm, iPlayer)  
In this excellent news documentary series, Rachel Burden investigates the youth vaping phenomenon and asks if we should be worried about young people getting addicted.

**Question:** What did you think about the message of the programme?



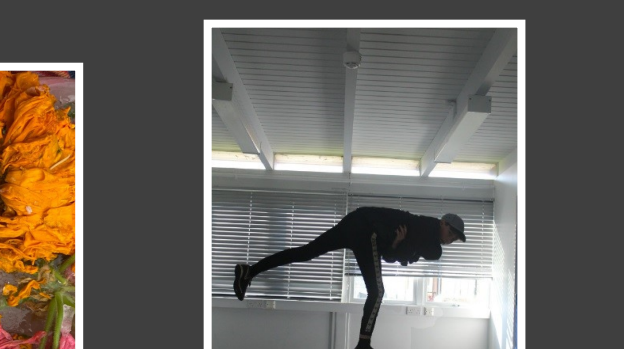
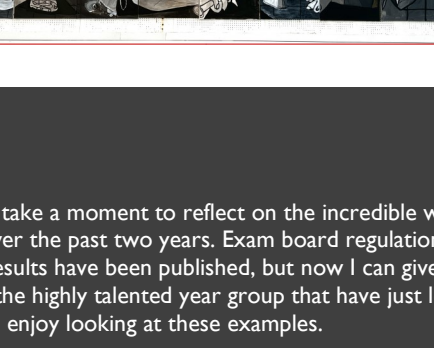
## Art Enrichment Week

This year, students who took part in the Art Enrichment, worked collaboratively to create their own version of Picasso's great monumental painting "Guernica".

They each had an A3 canvas and each had to produce their own section, ensuring that not only did it work as an individual piece of art, but also that it was able to fit together to create an accurate interpretation of the iconic original.

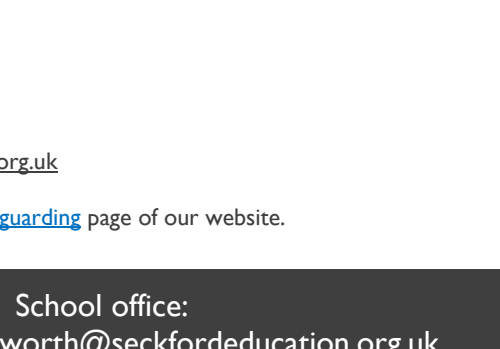
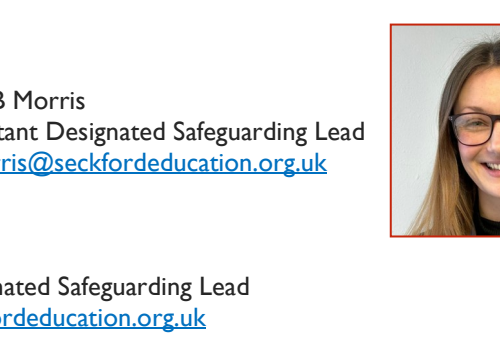
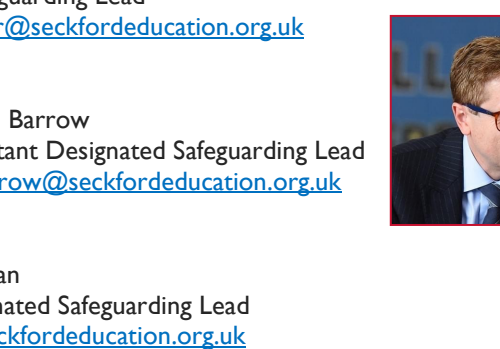
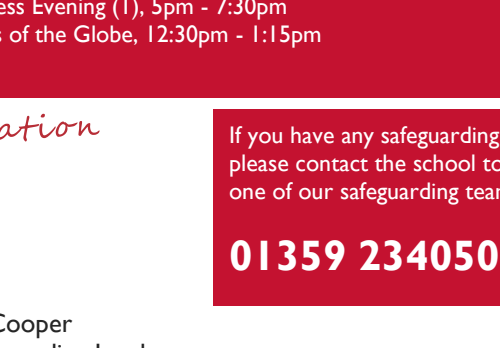
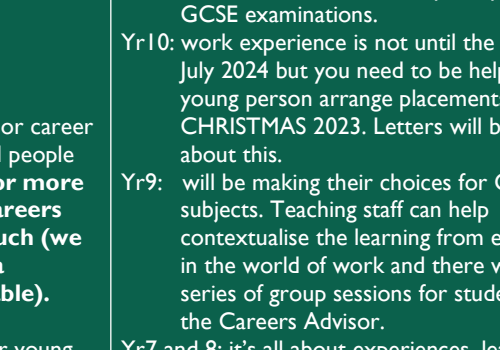
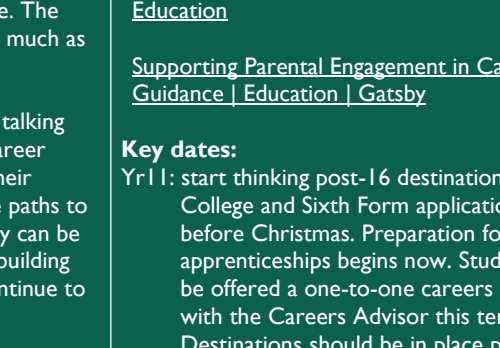
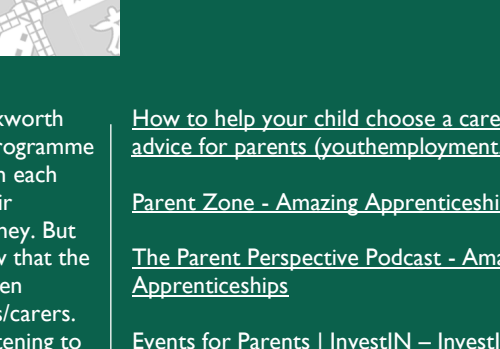
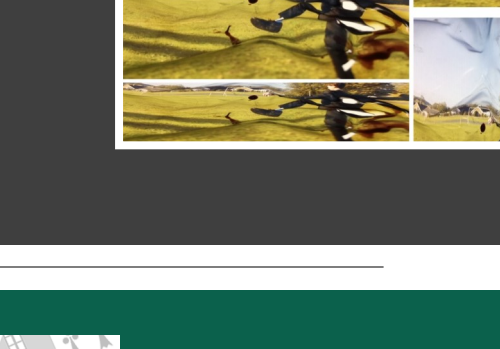
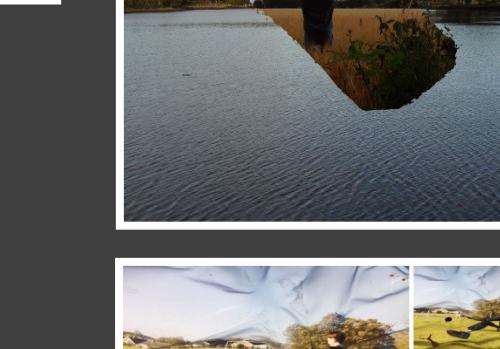
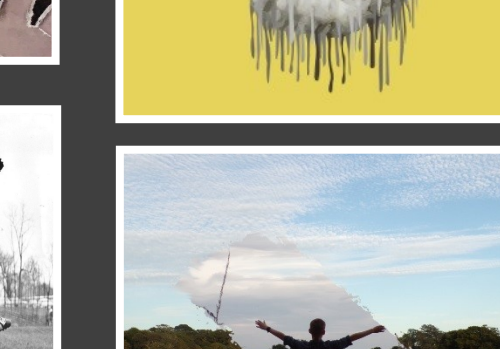
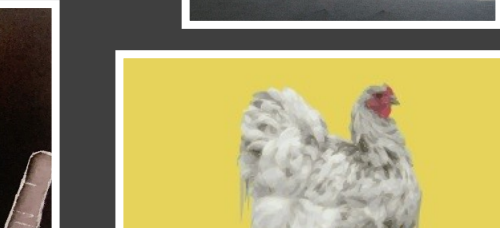
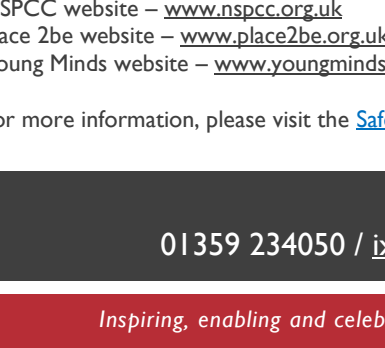
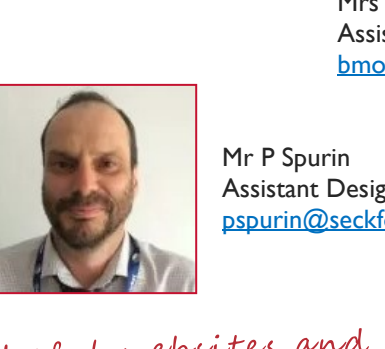
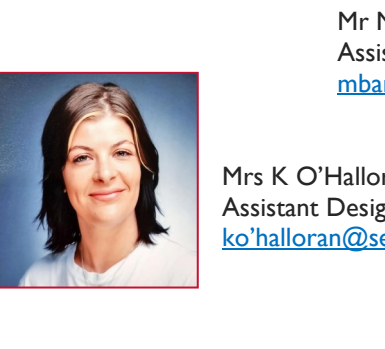
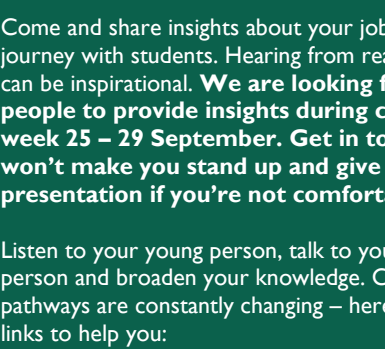
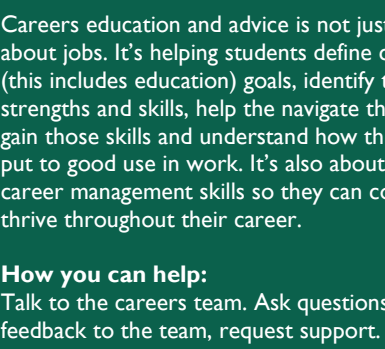
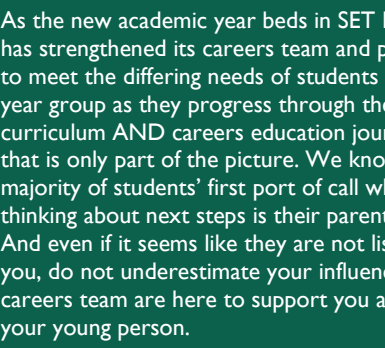
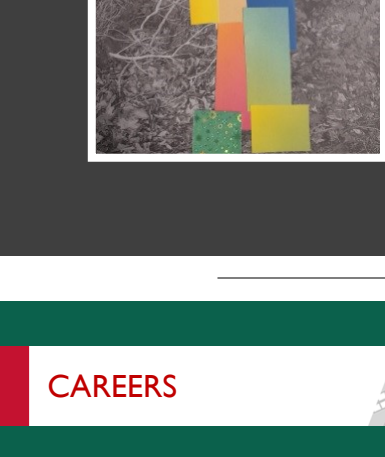
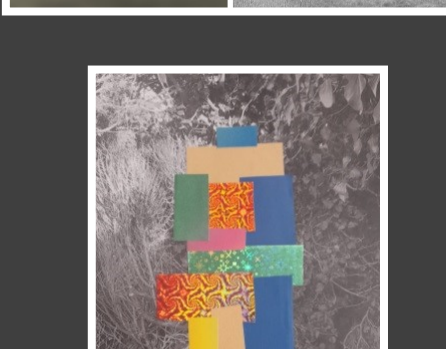
Over the Summer holiday, Mr Trigg did an excellent job of hanging the work in a prime position in the Restaurant. I am sure you will agree that it is a fantastic piece of work.

Well done to all those involved.



## GCSE Photography

As we start a new academic year, I just wanted to take a moment to reflect on the incredible work that GCSE Art and Photography students made over the past two years. Exam board regulations mean I can't share the work with you until their results have been published, but now I can give you a flavour of the fantastic creative output made by the highly talented year group that have just left us. Well done to all those involved and I hope you enjoy looking at these examples.



## CAREERS

As the new academic year beds in SET Ixworth has strengthened its careers team and programme to meet the differing needs of students in each year group as they progress through their curriculum AND careers education journey. But that is only part of the picture. We know that the majority of students' first port of call when thinking about next steps is their parents/carers. And even if it seems like they are not listening to you, do not underestimate your influence. The careers team are here to support you as much as your young person.

Careers education and advice is not just talking about jobs. It's helping students define career (this includes education) goals, identify their strengths and skills, help the navigate the paths to gain those skills and understand how they can be put to good use in work. It's also about building career management skills so they can continue to thrive throughout their career.

### How you can help:

Talk to the careers team. Ask questions, feedback to the team, request support.

Come and share insights about your job or career journey with students. Hearing from real people can be inspirational. **We are looking for more people to provide insights during careers week 25 - 29 September. Get in touch (we won't make you stand up and give a presentation if you're not comfortable).**

Listen to your young person, talk to your young person and broaden your knowledge. Career pathways are constantly changing - here are some links to help you:

[How to help your child choose a career - careers advice for parents \(youremployment.org.uk\)](https://www.youremployment.org.uk)

[Parent Zone - Amazing Apprenticeships](#)

[The Parent Perspective Podcast - Amazing Apprenticeships](#)

[Events for Parents | InvestIN - InvestIN Education](#)

[Supporting Parental Engagement in Career Guidance | Education | Gatsby](#)

### Key dates:

Yr11: start thinking post-16 destinations now. College and Sixth Form applications open before Christmas. Preparation for apprenticeships begins now. Students will all be offered a one-to-one careers meeting with the Careers Advisor this term. Destinations should be in place prior to GCSE examinations.

Yr10: work experience is not until the beginning of July 2024 but you need to be helping your young person arrange placements BEFORE CHRISTMAS 2023. Letters will be sent out about this.

Yr9: will be making their choices for GCSE subjects. Teaching staff can help contextualise the learning from each subject in the world of work and there will be a series of group sessions for students with the Careers Advisor.

Yr7 and 8: it's all about experiences, learning career management skills and starting to gain independent financial knowledge. There will be an enterprise day that covers many aspects of this.

## Key dates 2023

### Half term :

Last day of term - Friday 13 October

Return to school - Monday 30 October

### Christmas break :

Last day of term - Friday 15 December

Return to school - Thursday 4 January 2024

Thursday 21 September - Year 10 and Year 11 GCSE Success Evening, 5pm - 6:30pm

Tuesday 26 September - Year 7 Kitchens of the Globe, 12:30pm - 1:15pm

Thursday 28 September - Year 8 'The Year Ahead' Evening, 5pm - 6:30pm

Thursday 5 October - Year 9 'The Year Ahead' Evening, 5pm - 6:30pm

Thursday 5 October - Year 10 and Year 11 Sixth Form Fair, 5pm - 6:30pm

Thursday 12 October - Year 10 Progress Evening, 5pm - 7:30pm

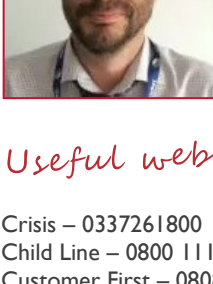
W/C Monday 30 October - Year 11 Mock Exams

Thursday 23 November - Year 11 Progress Evening (1), 5pm - 7:30pm

Tuesday 28 November - Year 8 Kitchens of the Globe, 12:30pm - 1:15pm



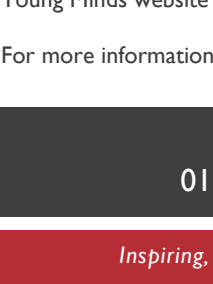
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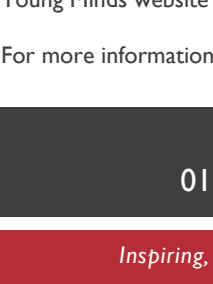
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