

# Academy Bulletin

22nd January 2025



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## Attendance Matters!



Every Student, Every School, Every Day

To support all families, we have put together a short presentation which we hope you will find helpful in continuing to support your child and our school with having excellent attendance.

### Attendance Matters

School attendance does have a direct correlation to academic success, along with so many other aspects of your child's health and wellbeing.

As a school, we will endeavour to try and support you and your child with any attendance concerns that might arise. Please do not hesitate to get in touch with us via

[attendance@holbrookacademy.org](mailto:attendance@holbrookacademy.org)

## Alton Water 'Ride & Stride'

Sunday 27th April 2025

Charity fundraiser for the community.... See page 2 for further details.

## Calendar / Upcoming Events

22nd January	Year 10/11 Poetry Live Trip
3rd February	Year 11 Mock Exams start
4th February	Year 9 Progress Evening 4-6.30pm
6th February	Year 10/11 Macbeth Trip
17th-21st February	Half-term holiday
5th March	Year 9 Blood Brothers Trip
10th-14th March	Year 10 Work Experience
4th April	End of Spring term

### Year 10 Work Experience : 10th-14th March

If your child has not yet secured a placement, please encourage them to do so. A few current opportunities are shown below. For any support and advice, please contact our Careers Lead, Mr Rogers -

[simon.rogers@holbrookacademy.org](mailto:simon.rogers@holbrookacademy.org)

## CALLING ALL YR 10s!

### Work Experience Opportunities

#### Jacksons Civil Engineering

##### Office Position

Please contact Beth Melton  
[BMelton@jackson-civils.co.uk](mailto:BMelton@jackson-civils.co.uk)

#### Clip N Climb

##### Sports Positions x 2

Please contact Mark  
[mark@clipnclimbipswich.com](mailto:mark@clipnclimbipswich.com)

#### CINEWORLD

##### Customer Service

Please contact Lewis Miller  
[ipswich@cineworld.co.uk](mailto:ipswich@cineworld.co.uk)

#### Cliff Lane Primary School

##### School Position

Please contact  
[admin@clifflaneprimary.co.uk](mailto:admin@clifflaneprimary.co.uk)

If you need any support with sourcing a work experience placement please come and see Mr Rogers in Careers

## Access to School Site

A reminder that, for safety reasons, parents/carers should not be accessing the school site to drop off or pick up children at the start or end of the day, unless you have a Parking Permit.

At all times, please follow the speed restrictions displayed along the driveway and consider the concealed entrance on the right just before the main gates, which is used by members of the local community.

Thank you.



Ipswich Orwell Rotary  
Club



# ALTON WATER RIDE AND STRIDE

**27th April 2025**

**JOIN US FOR A CHARITY  
FUNDRAISER**

**Alton Water, Holbrook Road, Stutton, IP9 2RV**

**Participants can walk, run or cycle around the scenic 8 mile reservoir, beginning at the Visitor Centre.**

**Help raise money for a charity or organisation of your choice and support our club's local charity for this year, Suffolk Family Carers.**

**You can donate up to 50% of the sponsorship collected funds to a charity or organisation of your choice or donate the entire proceeds to Suffolk Family Carers.**

**To register and receive a sponsorship form, please email us at [johnambrose@btinternet.com](mailto:johnambrose@btinternet.com)**

## TERM DATES 2025-2026

### Autumn term

Starts	Monday 1 September 2025
Students Return	Wednesday 3 September 2025
Half term	Monday 27 to Friday 31 October 2025
Ends	Friday 19 December 2025
Christmas holiday	Saturday 20 December 2025 to Sunday 4 January
<b>PD Days (Non Student)</b>	<b>1 and 2 September 2025, 28 November 2025</b>

### Spring term

Starts	Monday 5 January 2026
Students Return	Tuesday 6 January 2026
Half term	Monday 16 to Friday 20 February 2026
Ends	Friday 27 March 2026
Spring (Easter) holiday	Saturday 28 March to Sunday 12 April 2026
<b>PD Day (Non Student)</b>	<b>5 January 2026</b>

### Summer term

Starts	Monday 13 April 2026
Half term	Monday 25 to Friday 29 May 2026
Ends	Monday 20 July 2026
<b>PD Day (Non Student)</b>	<b>20 July 2026</b>

## Improving School Attendance

Please follow the links for information on the importance of school attendance:-

[How to improve your child's school attendance and where to get support](#)

[Is my child too ill for school?](#)

## Safeguarding Information

During school hours, please contact Mrs Alex King (Designated Safeguarding Lead) or Miss Crabtree (Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead) or ask to speak to a member of the Safeguarding team - 01473 328317

At all other times, please contact Customer First : 0808 800 4005 or If you believe there is an emergency and a child is at risk of **immediate harm** please call the Police on **999**.

## Safeguarding Support Services:

999: For emergencies and if there is an immediate risk of harm.

111: Urgent medical help that is not life threatening.

111 option 2: Mental Health Crisis Support

101: Police, non-emergency crimes

0808 800 4005: MASH Customer First (Social Services)

0800 1111: Childline

0800 136 663 or [help@nspcc.org.uk](mailto:help@nspcc.org.uk) : NSPCC Sexual Assault

[www.thinkuknow.co.uk/](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/) : Online bullying

[www.kooth.com](http://www.kooth.com) : Kooth - Online counselling service for young people aged 11-25

## Parking in and around Academy

If you use the roads around the Academy to drop off / pick up at the start or end of the school day, please be considerate to our neighbours and the local community.

Please do not park on grassed areas and remember to turn off your engine whilst you are waiting.

Thank you.

## Free School Meals

We are keen to ensure that all families who need support know where to access this.

To find out if your child may be entitled to free school meals and how to apply for this, please refer to the information on the following link:-

[Apply for free school meals](#)

If your child is entitled to free school meals, it also means the Academy will receive additional funding for your child which can be used to support trips, resources, etc.

Full details of the menu on offer from Caterlink can be found [here](#) Students entitled to free school meals may choose a meal deal option each day.