

Academy Bulletin

31st January 2025



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Calendar / Upcoming Events

3rd February	Year 11 Mock Exams start
4th February	Year 9 Progress Evening 4-6.30pm (See letter for details)
6th February	Year 10/11 Macbeth Trip
13th February	Year 9 Geography 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

CALLING ALL YR 10s!

Work Experience Opportunities

Jacksons Civil Engineering Office Position Please contact Beth Melton BMelton@jackson-civils.co.uk	Clip N Climb Sports Positions x 2 Please contact Mark mark@clipnclimbipswich.com
CINEWORL <small>LIMITED AVAILABILITY</small> Customer Service Please contact Lewis Miller ipswich@cineworld.co.uk	Cliff Lane Primary School School Position Please contact admin@clifflaneprimary.co.uk

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

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Work Experience Opportunities

John Grose Various Departments e.g. Sales, Workshop Please contact joannekeeble@johngrose.co.uk	Orwell Housing Various Departments Please contact workexperience@orwell-housing.co.uk
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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.

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
PD Days (Non Student)	1 and 2 September 2025, 28 November 2025

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
PD Day (Non Student)	5 January 2026

Summer term

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

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 : NSPCC Sexual Assault

www.thinkuknow.co.uk/ : Online bullying

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.