

# Academy Bulletin

20th June 2025



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Dear Parents/Carers,

I am absolutely delighted to share some incredibly exciting news regarding our school site. We have been successful in securing a significant government grant to undertake essential repairs and a substantial replacement of our school roof.

As you may be aware, our roof has unfortunately suffered in recent years, particularly during periods of heavy rain, leading to leaks that have impacted some areas of the school. This grant is a fantastic boost, and it means we can finally address these issues comprehensively, ensuring a more secure and comfortable learning environment for all our students.

The roof work is scheduled to begin in the last few weeks of the current term and will continue throughout the Summer holidays. Our aim is to replace a significant proportion of the roof across the entire school site.

Of course, the safety of our students is our top priority. We will ensure that all areas where work is being carried out are clearly cordoned off and that strict safety measures are in place at all times. During the final weeks of term, we will be speaking with students about the upcoming work and asking them to be mindful of these designated areas. We also ask them to be respectful of the contractors and their teams working on site, just as they are expected to be with every member of our school community.

We understand that any construction work on site can cause some disruption, but we are confident that the long-term benefits of these improvements will far outweigh any temporary inconvenience. We will keep you updated on the progress of the work over the coming weeks and throughout the Summer.

Further to the work on the roof, I'm also pleased to announce that over the Summer holiday, EAST (our new Academy Trust) has organised to replace the carpet in all our corridors. This particular project will not impact students during term time, but it marks the start of an exciting programme to reinvigorate the fabric of our school, creating an even more welcoming and modern environment for everyone.

Thank you for your continued support as we strive to improve our school facilities for the benefit of every child.

Yours sincerely

Claire Elliott  
Headteacher



12th July 2025

If you have anything that would be suitable for a raffle, tombola or other fundraising activities, these can be left at the main office. See Mr Anstee-Parry's letter of 14th May for full details.

Thank you.

## Calendar / Upcoming Events

20th June	Year 11 Leavers' Day / Prom
w/c 30th June	Year 10 Fundraising Week
1st July	Year 6 Transition day
2nd July	Year 10 Northgate Taster Day
3rd July	Year 6 Transition Evening
8th July	Year 10 Suffolk One Day
9th July	Sports Day
12th July	Summer Fayre
15th-17th July	Activities Week
18th July	End of Summer term

You are invited to the

## Holbrook Academy GCSE Art and Design Private View

26th June 2025  
4 - 6.30pm

The Old Gym  
Holbrook Academy

The **Holiday Activity and Food programme (HAF)** will be going live in Suffolk on the 30<sup>th</sup> June. HAF is for any family who claims means tested Free School Meals.

Booking platform <https://eequ.org/suffolkhaf> where you can register and book suitable activities after the 30<sup>th</sup> June.



**School Holiday Fun Awaits!**  
Book a spot now for your child aged 5-16 in the Spring, Summer and Winter school holidays  
**FREE for children who receive benefits-related free school meals**

**Suffolk Holiday Activity Programme**

The poster features a collage of images: a child in a pool of balloons, a boy with arms crossed, and a girl working on a craft. The logo includes icons for a building, a film camera, a musical note, a plate with a fork, and a book.



**Explore Our Holiday Activities Programme!**  
Children aged 5-16 can take part in a variety of fun and engaging activities this school holiday, which include:  
• Sports sessions • Arts and crafts  
• Dance classes • Cooking workshops  
Activities are FREE for children who receive benefits-related free school meals.

**If your child is not on the free meals programme**  
Many of our activities have paid for sessions available, so every child still has a chance to participate!

**Find out more!**  
Visit <https://eequ.org/suffolkhaf> and search 'Holiday Activities Fund' or scan the QR code!  
Funded by the Department for Education

The poster includes three circular images: a boy with a basketball, a girl on a red slide, and a boy with a toy car. It also features a QR code and logos for East Suffolk, Ipswich, West Suffolk, and Suffolk County Council.

### Parking on local roads

If you use the local roads to drop off or pick up your child, please ensure that you do not block pavements or driveways. Please be considerate of our neighbours at all times.

Thank you.

### Caterlink

Summer Term menu is available [here](#)

### Apprenticeships

Apprenticeship Jobs are now becoming available for current Year 11 students to apply for :-

<https://www.suffolk.ac.uk/apprenticeship-vacancies/>

If you or your child would like any help or assistance, please do get in contact with the Careers Advisor Mr Rogers - [simon.rogers@holbrookacademy.org](mailto:simon.rogers@holbrookacademy.org)

### 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

### 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**.

## 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>