



Dear Parents and Carers,

As we settle into the rhythm of this academic year, it's been a joy to see our students fully immersed in their learning and embracing school life with enthusiasm. Classrooms are alive with energy, and it's clear that students are working hard while also enjoying themselves. Participation in our afterschool clubs has been fantastic, with pupils exploring new interests and building friendships beyond the classroom. A special mention goes to our Year 10 students, many of whom have stepped forward to take on leadership roles within the Student Voice. Interviews for the Head Student position took place this week, and the candidates have shown real maturity, ambition, and a strong commitment to our school community – well done to all involved.

It's also heartening to hear such positive feedback from the wider community. This week, I received a message from a local resident who praised our students for being smart, polite, kind, and caring. Messages like this remind us of the wonderful community we live, work, and study in.

Finally, I'm proud to introduce our new Student of the Week section. Each week, a different department will highlight one or more students who have demonstrated excellence in their subject. We look forward to celebrating their achievements and sharing their successes with you.

CONGRATULATIONS! MEDIA STUDENT OF THE WEEK

RILEY CHASE

Congratulations to Riley, our Student of the Week! Riley has worked exceptionally hard in Media, producing outstanding work on his Component 2. His creativity, determination and resilience are evident throughout, making him an excellent role model for other students.

Photo credit: Evelyn Hayden- Haxell (yr 8) taken in our Photoshop club (Tuesday after school)



PE Fixtures

On Monday our Year 7 and 8 girls 5-a-side teams went to Beccles FC to compete against other local schools. Both teams put in a fantastic performance.

Our Year 8s narrowly missed out on the final in a tough penalty shootout. Our Year 7s won all of their games in the first round comfortably, but sadly lost in the semi-final with a 1-0 loss to Leman. However, they were able to secure third place in their playoff game which was excellent.

Top scorer for the tournament for PHS was Lyla Oliveira-Sinclair.

Well done to all the girls who took part for both their excellent sportsmanship and performances!
Ms Shank





On Tuesday 23rd September, we participated in U14 girls 5aside football tournament at Benjamin Britten High School. The girls performed really well in all of their 4 consecutive matches with a rest in between. The team was made up of 4 Year 9's, Ruby Bembrick (captain), Sophie Daynes, Lola Jay and Abbie Langdale and 2 Year 8's Esmae Cook and Luna English. They all done themselves and the school proud. We narrowly missed out to the tournament winners but winning and drawing all the other games in the lead up. Sophie was our top goal scorer with 4 goals and Luna made some excellent saves to ensure we walked away with valuable points. Well done girls, we are very proud.

Mr Herbert





Year 7 Boys Football Tournament

Six of Pakefield High School's Year 7 boys recently took part in a 5-a-side football competition at Benjamin Britten High School, competing against other schools from the local area. The team were excellent throughout the tournament, showing great resilience and teamwork in each of their five games.

A special mention goes to Harry Cable, who scored three of the team's four goals – a fantastic achievement!

Mr Dowson





Extra-Curricular Activities and Club

Extra Curricular Clubs September - October 2025



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
Mr Allington Retro Games Club	Mr Agyapong French Book Club	Miss Bethell Dance Club	Dr Bernthal Latin Club
Mr Bligh Further Maths (Invite Only)	Mrs Hastings Film & TV Series Club	Mr Dowson Golf	Mrs Warren Art Club (Commencing Sept. 20th)
Mr Bond Dungeons and Dragons	Mr Herbert Darts	Miss Dunnell Dance Club	
Mr Clarke Retro Games Club	Mr Hill Fantasy NFL	Mr Gibbons Football	
Ms Grice Pride	Mrs S McHugh Photoshop Club	Miss Saunders D of E (Enrolled students only)	
	Mr Osbourne Urban Sketching	Ms Shank Basketball	
	Miss Shank Netball	Miss Simons Drama/Showcase	
	Miss Simons Drama/Showcase	Mrs Trigg Dr Who	
	Mr Wilson Origami Club	Mr Vaughan-Evans STEM	
	Mr Anderson Badminton	Mrs McGovern KS3 Send Homework Club	
	Mrs Tuttle UNO/Card Games		
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LIBRARY

		Break	Lunch
M	Wk1	OPEN	OPEN
	Wk2	OPEN	OPEN
T	Wk1	OPEN	OPEN
	Wk2	OPEN	OPEN
W	Wk1	OPEN	OPEN
	Wk2	OPEN	OPEN
T	Wk1	CLOSED	CLOSED
	Wk2	CLOSED	CLOSED
F		CLOSED	CLOSED

Library Clubs
Mon Games Club
Tue Crafty Tuesday
Wed Chess Club
Curious to know more? Check out our clubs posters or ask in the Library.

You can come to borrow and return books whenever the Library is open.

Library Information

Library & Clubs Update

- *You can borrow and return books anytime the library is open.
- *Books can also be returned in the Returns box outside the library.
- *If you borrowed any books before the summer, please return them as soon as possible.

Computer Access
Computers are available every lunchtime the library is open for homework/schoolwork only.

Library Clubs
Library clubs run every week!
Important: You must sign up at break before lunch on the day of the club.

No sign-up = No club!

Free School Meals – Check Your Eligibility

If you think your child may be eligible for free school meals, you can apply online and receive an immediate response and confirmation email.

Children who have received free school meals since 1 April 2018 will continue to receive them until the end of the 2025/2026 school year, regardless of changes in income.

Use this link to check and [Apply for free school meals](#)

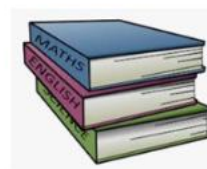
If your child is eligible for free school meals, they'll also qualify for the Holiday Activity and Food Programme. [More information from Suffolk County Council is available here](#)



Homework Club



KS3 SEND HOMEWORK CLUB
EVERY TUESDAY
With Mrs McGovern
IT2
3PM-3:35PM



ORIGAMI CLUB

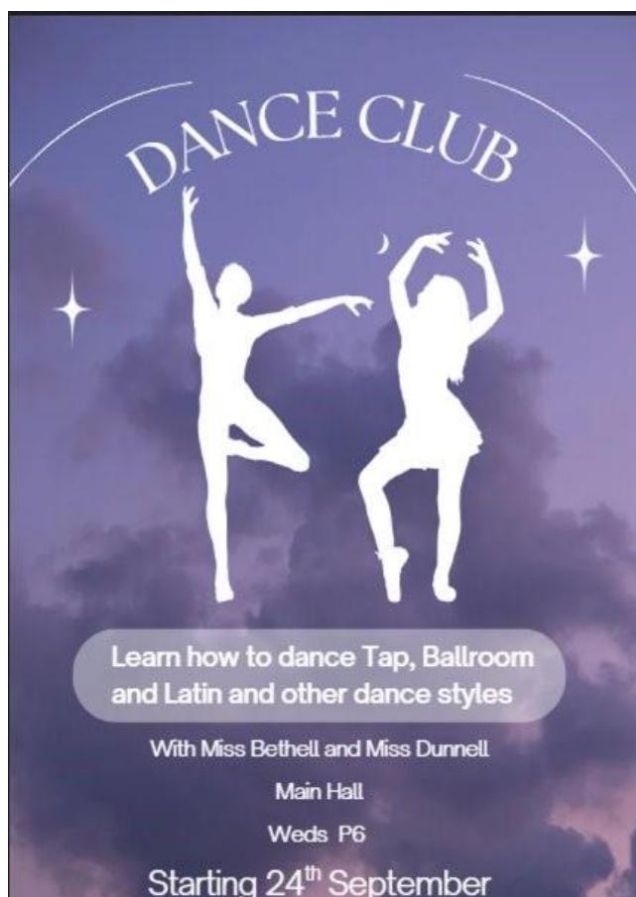


every Tuesday
with Mr Wilson
in the Music room
3.00 – 3.35pm



Origami sculptures we will be creating include:

CATS
DOGS
PENGUINS
SWANS
SCORPIONS
RABBITS
DINOSAURS
FLAPPING BATS (for Halloween)
and of course
PAPER AEROPLANES





Southwold Workshop - Hustle to Business: Learn how to Launch and Grow

@inc Station Yard, Blyth Road, Southwold, IP18 6FH
Tuesday 28th October 2025
10:30am – 1:30pm



This workshop is the first of our Careeriosity initiative! Careeriosity is an inspiring, hands-on series of events designed especially for those aged 14 – 25 years old in East Suffolk, Mid Suffolk, and Babergh who are curious about careers in the creative industries. From music, self-employment, gaming, museum and heritage alongside entrepreneurship this event offers practical insights and exciting opportunities to explore creative futures.

All workshops are free of charge to attend as they have been fully funded via East Suffolk, Mid Suffolk, and Babergh district councils.

This workshop will cover:

Basics of Self-Employment – Understand what it takes to work for yourself, from setting up to staying legal.

Sales Tips – Learn how to sell with confidence and keep customers coming back.

Marketing Tips – Simple, cost-effective ways to get noticed and grow your customer base.

This is the attendee's chance to gain valuable business know-how, ask questions, and network with other aspiring young entrepreneurs.

Although Careeriosity has a focus on the creative industries this event is open to all inspiring entrepreneurs in any sector!



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School Events

Week Beginning	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
29/09/2025				Flu Vaccine 08.30 – 15.00 Year 11 – Parents Evening (1) Year 11 Reports	
06/10/2025				Year 6 Open Evening 18.00 – 20.30	
13/10/2025	SEND Parents Evening - ONLINE	Flu Vaccine 08.30 – 15.00			
20/10/2025	School photos Year 10 Raising achievement evening			Years 7,8,9 & 10 reports	

It has been a busy and productive week at Pakefield High School. I hope you have a great weekend, and I look forward to another excellent week!

Warm regards,
Mr P Dougherty
Head of School