

Value for this half term: [Hope](#)

Theme for this week (10 Oct - 14 Oct 2022): [Hope for the children](#)

Life Skills theme for the week: [We are loyal friends](#)

“All kids need is a little help, a little hope and somebody who believes in them.”

- Earvin Johnson

As the English poet, scholar and cleric John Donne famously wrote: “No Man is an Island” - no one is truly self-sufficient; all of us require the company, comfort, challenge and support of others to thrive. This week our students will have important opportunities to think about their place in the wider world and to look beyond the classroom-based curriculum.

On Monday 10 October our school community will wear yellow accessories and donate to the charity “YoungMinds”, collectively marking [World Mental Health Day](#). Our Mental Health Student Leaders will also be running an extra well-being lunchtime session for other students, which includes games, mindful colouring, friendly conversation and so on.

Also, this week, on Friday 14 and Saturday 15 October, fifty students will be taking part in the French / History trip to Ypres, a town in the Belgian province of West Flanders. The town is surrounded by battlefields, where a number of cemeteries, memorials and war museums commemorate the battles that unfolded in this area during World War I. This excursion promises to be a fantastic opportunity for students to speak some French, experience French and Belgian culture; learn more about World War I history and find out about life outside of South Norfolk. It takes a huge amount of time and energy to organise such an educational opportunity; thank you to the staff who will be leading and supporting the visit - we hope that everyone involved has a safe and enjoyable experience.

Praying - with hope - for peace in the world (A Church of England prayer):

*Most holy God and Father,
hear our prayers for all who strive for peace
and all who fight for justice.
Help us, who today remember the cost of war,
to work for a better tomorrow;
and, as we commend to you lives lost in terror and conflict,
bring us all, in the end, to the peace of your presence;
through Christ our Lord.*

Amen

Useful links and ongoing notices:

- Please visit the Harleston Sancroft Academy Twitter feed for news and information
- [Here](#) is a list of lunchtime and after-school clubs.

Please note, all clubs are FREE and students do not need to sign up - they can just turn up on the day. For any lunchtime sports clubs, students should put on their trainers (they won't change into full sports kit). For after-school sports clubs, students will need to be fully changed into their PE kit.

Upcoming Events:

Mon 10 Oct: #HelloYellow - World Mental Health Day

Thurs 13 Oct: FE Event for Y11 students - 16:30 - 18:30

Fri 14 / Sat 15 Oct: French / History Excursion to Ypres

Thurs 20 Oct: Reading Evening for Y7 students & their families - 17:30 - 18:30

Mon 24 - Fri 28 Oct: October half-term holiday

Mon 31 Oct: All students return to school

Mon 31 Oct: Year 11 Examinations (1) until Friday 11 November

Fri 4 Nov: Fireworks Display at Harleston Sancroft Academy, secondary phase