



**Y9 PARENTS' INFORMATION EVENING**

# Year 9 Parents' Information Evening

Welcome – Jon Hampson (Headteacher)

Last year's successes and the year ahead –

Carolyn Muir (Head of Year 9)

The options process –

Ed Slingsby (Assistant Headteacher)

Getting involved at Soham Village College –

Ed Slingsby (Assistant Head)





**BEHAVIOUR + ATTENDANCE = PROGRESS**





# 97% Attendance last Year as a Cohort

(36 students had 100% attendance)

**Continued push on attendance for this important year**



# WHAT'S YOUR ATTENDANCE?

The more school you miss, the harder it is for you to make good progress.



<b>% BAND</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>Impact</b>	<b>Action</b>
<b>99+</b>	<b>Excellent</b>	Up to 2 days / 10 lessons missed.	Catch up on any work you missed.
		Best chance of making good progress!	
<b>97-99</b>	<b>Really good</b>	Up to 5 days / 25 lessons missed.	Catch up on any work you missed.
		Really good chance of making good progress.	
<b>95-97</b>	<b>Good</b>	Up to 10 days / 50 lessons missed.	Catch up on any work you missed.
		Decent chance of making good progress.	
<b>90-95</b>	<b>Not good</b>	Up to 20 days / 100 lessons missed.	Tutor action
		To make good progress you'll have to work hard to catch up.	
<b>85-90</b>	<b>Worry</b>	Up to 30 days / 150 lessons missed.	SLT/HoY action
		To make good progress you'll have to work really hard to catch up.	
<b>0-85</b>	<b>Real concern</b>	More than 30 days / 150 lessons missed.	Educational Welfare Officer action
		Missing this much school will make it very difficult to make good progress.	

# Year 8 Student Progress



On average, the majority of students achieved a sub-level above their target in every subject.

**Year 8 progress has led to a strong foundation for Year 9**



# Getting involved at Soham Village College



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## CLUBS & GROUPS

These are the clubs and groups that take place around the school at lunchtimes and afterschool. If you are interested in joining, go along to a session and see if you like it!

### Related Pages

- [Clubs & Groups](#)
- [Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme](#)
- [Careers Information, Advice & Guidance](#)
- [The Inking](#)
- [The Library](#)

## EXTRA-CURRICULAR

SEP / OCT

TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>Before School</b> 8.20-8.50am			• Orchestra P2	• KS3 Choir P2 • Jazz Ensemble PRS	
<b>Lunchtime</b> 1.30-1.50pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Homework Club M6</li> <li>• Board Games The Hub</li> <li>• LEGO Club* The Hub</li> <li>• Craft Club* The Hub</li> <li>• Brass Ensemble P2</li> <li>• KS3 Girls' Choir PAC Auditorium</li> <li>• KS3 Boys' Choir P1</li> <li>• KS3 Badminton Sports Hall</li> <li>• Media club F5</li> <li>• Y7 Dance Dance Studio</li> <li>• Science Club B3</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Homework Club M6</li> <li>• Board Games The Hub</li> <li>• LEGO Club* The Hub</li> <li>• Craft Club* The Hub</li> <li>• Strings Group P1 (Break time)</li> <li>• Clarinet/Flute Ensemble PAC Auditorium</li> <li>• Colla Voce P2</li> <li>• Y8&amp;9 Dance Dance Studio</li> <li>• Y7&amp;8 Maths in Art Club B20</li> <li>• Newmarket YFC Drop-in BM2</li> <li>• Robotics Community Room</li> <li>• KS4 Badminton Sports Hall</li> <li>• Reading Club Library (Wk A)</li> <li>• SketchUp Club L1</li> <li>• Y8 Creative Writing</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Homework Club M6</li> <li>• Board Games The Hub</li> <li>• LEGO Club* The Hub</li> <li>• Craft Club* The Hub</li> <li>• Guitar/Ukulele Group P1</li> <li>• Bingo! Library (Wk B)</li> <li>• Young Carers* Student Services</li> <li>• Media club F5</li> <li>• KS4 Girls Choir PAC</li> <li>• Drama Rehearsal Zone P3</li> <li>• Y7 Dodgeball Lodeside Gym</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Homework Club M6</li> <li>• Board Games The Hub</li> <li>• LEGO Club* The Hub</li> <li>• Craft Club* The Hub</li> <li>• Songwriting PR 4</li> <li>• Hub Quiz The Hub</li> <li>• Media club F5</li> <li>• Drama Rehearsal Zone P3</li> <li>• Y10 Dance Dance Studio</li> <li>• Y9 Dodgeball Lodeside Gym</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Homework Club M6</li> <li>• Board Games The Hub</li> <li>• LEGO Club* The Hub</li> <li>• Craft Club* The Hub</li> <li>• KS3 Drama P3</li> <li>• Student Well-being Group BM2</li> <li>• Media club F5</li> <li>• Chess Club B7</li> <li>• Academic Reading* B3</li> <li>• Y8 Dodgeball Lodeside Gym</li> <li>• Y9 Art, Fashion &amp; Textiles Club* P1</li> </ul>



# Year 9 trips

Month	Trip	Year	Reason	Length	cost
Jan	Eyes on the Prize	9	Careers	Day	Free
Feb	Art and Textiles Galleries trip	9	Art	Day	£21
April- July	Duke of Edinburgh expeditions	9		Residential	£130
May	Battlefields	9	History	Residential	£160
May	HEFA archaeology	9	History	Day	£30



# Extra Curricular Success



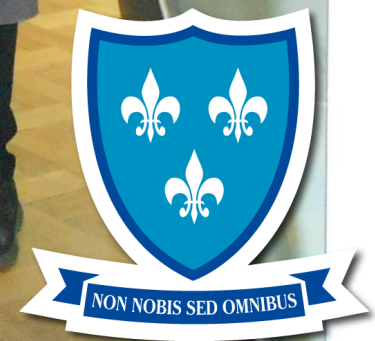
There have been some great achievements by students in year 9 in a whole range of disciplines.



# PRIDE SLIDE: RESPONSIBILITY

POSITIVITY  
RESPONSIBILITY  
INTEGRITY  
DRIVE  
EMPATHY

**Well done to every student in Y8 for their excellent behaviour on this year's Fitzwilliam Museum trips. They made the most of this great opportunity.**



# PRIDE SLIDE: INTEGRITY

POSITIVITY  
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**Well done to George Emms who recently completed the Royal Institute series 1 of maths classes at Trinity Hall, Cambridge. It consisted of 5 consecutive Saturday mornings spent doing maths enrichment activities. He has gained a lot from this fabulous experience. Congratulations George!**



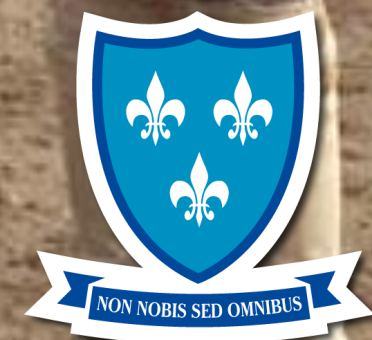
# PRIDE SLIDE: DRIVE

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EMPATHY



**Congratulations to the SVC Equestrian team who recently finished an excellent 4<sup>th</sup> at a prestigious event against other top schools. The team includes; Mickie Jakes, Tommie Jakes, Ruby Leonard & Lillie May.**

**Lillie also came 2<sup>nd</sup> in the individual event and qualified for the Hickstead Championships in July.**



# PRIDE SLIDE: RESPONSIBILITY

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**Well done to Archie Woodroffe who was recently awarded the Survive & Save -Bronze Medallion, for Lifeguarding.**

**Archie also represented the 1<sup>st</sup> Ely Scouts at this weekend's Remembrance Parade at Ely Cathedral as a flag bearer.**



SOHAM HAS TALENT

2<sup>nd</sup> FREYA ALEXANDER

SINGING & PIANO

SGT 2018 RUNNER-UP AWARD

This certificate is awarded to

*Freya Alexander*

Congratulations! You came runner-up at Soham's Got Talent 2018

Signed

*[Signature]*



# PRIDE SLIDE: RESPONSIBILITY

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**Well done to the students who went on the Normandy trip recently. They were perfectly behaved and had a great time.**



# Opportunities for Year 9 Students





# Working with parents

- Use of website to find contact details
- Email vs telephone vs note in planner
- Nipping problems in the bud

## Who to contact about different concerns

- **[svc@soham-college.org.uk](mailto:svc@soham-college.org.uk)**
  - *reception and general enquiries*
- **[studentservices@soham-college.org.uk](mailto:studentservices@soham-college.org.uk)**
  - *student services, lost property, timetables, general student queries, medical notifications*
- Form tutor via note in the planner or email
- Email addresses of all department and faculty heads are available on the school website



# Student wellbeing



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Go to the student wellbeing page to find information and contact details for various support agencies

## Wellbeing

### Recommended Mental Health Support Websites

Welcome to the SVC Wellbeing site. It has been split the into two areas, one for parents and one for students. We would

### In this section

- ANTI-BULLYING
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# Key dates for your diary



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# Ed Slingsby

## Assistant Headteacher





# OPTIONS

CLASS OF 2022





# Why are options important?





**Which subjects must be taken?**





**Which subjects can be taken?**





- Biology, Chemistry and Physics
- Computer Science and ICT
- French and German
- BTECs and GCSEs



# What is the English Baccalaureate?

- English and maths
- At least 2 sciences
- At least 1 of history and geography
- At least 1 of French and German



1	2	3	e	a	b	c
English Language and English Literature	Maths	Biology, Chemistry and Physics		Choose 1 of:	Choose 1 of:	Choose 1 of:
		OR		Geography History	French Spanish Computer Science	Geography History Spanish
		Double Science	And choose 1 of:  French Geography History	Art Art Textiles Business Drama Health & Social Care ICT Media Studies Music PE Religious Studies	Art Business Dance DT: Electronics DT: Graphic Products DT: Resistant Materials Food Preparation and Nutrition ICT Media Studies Religious Studies	Art, Craft & Design (with photography) Business Drama DT: Electronics DT: Resistant Materials Food Preparation and Nutrition ICT Health & Social Care Media Studies Music
Compulsory subjects	Compulsory subject	Preferred choices:		Preferred choice:	Preferred choice:	Preferred choice:
		Reserve choices:		Reserve choice:	Reserve choice:	Reserve choice:
Comments:						



**\*An example from last year, this years, whilst similar, may not be identical**





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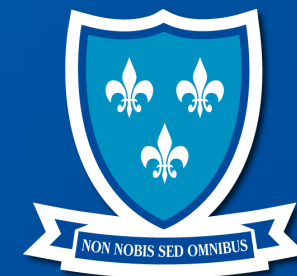
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<b>Biology, Chemistry and Physics</b>	
OR	
<b>Double Science</b>	And choose 1 of:  <b>French</b> <b>Geography</b> <b>History</b>
Preferred choices:	
Reserve choices:	

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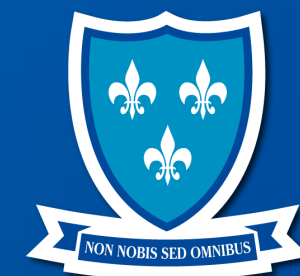




a	b	c
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# Foundation Learning Tier



1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
English Language and English Literature	Maths	Double Science		Foundation Learning Tier			





# Option 8



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# Provisional timeline for options 2022



<b>Presentation to students</b>	<b>Monday 20 January</b>
<b>Options evening</b>	<b>Thursday 23 January</b>
<b>Option information available from the school website</b>	<b>Friday 24 January</b>
<b>Options talks by heads of subjects</b>	<b>Monday 27 January – Friday 14 February</b>
<b>Parents' evening</b>	<b>Thursday 6 February</b>
<b>Options forms due in</b>	<b>Friday 6 March</b>



# Frequently asked questions;



- How will I know which route my child should follow?
- What if my child wants to follow a different route?
- What if my child's preferred set of options is impossible to select?



# Frequently asked questions;

- How should my child decide which options to take?
- Will my child get the options they want?



# Frequently asked questions;

- What do I need to do now?
- Who can help my child to make the right decisions?



# 2019 GCSE Trips and Visits



Trip	Year	Subject	Type	Fee
London Galleries	10	Art	Day	£20
Geography Field trip	10	Geography	Day	Free
National Theatre Competition	10	Drama	Day	Free
Sanger Institute (triple Science)	10	Science	Day	£15
Banham Zoo	10	Business Studies	Day	£22
Grafham Water	10	PE	Residential	£135
Kings College Carols	10	Music	Day	Free
Geography Fieldwork	11	Geography	Day	Free
Munich	11	History	Residential	£450





Would you like to be more involved in supporting the school?

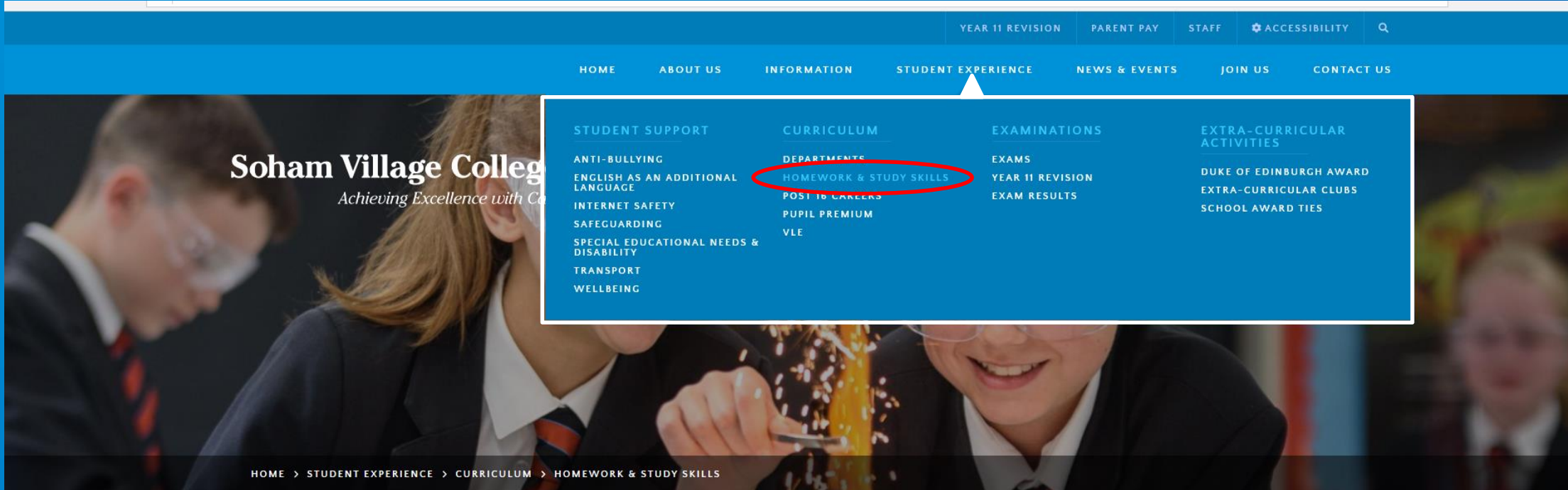


Find out more at our AGM 30<sup>th</sup> October 7-8pm

Contact us a [FSVC@soham-college.org.uk](mailto:FSVC@soham-college.org.uk)



# Please visit our new school website



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## Homework & Study Skills

Soham Village College believes all homework set should be meaningful and positively impact a student's progress.

What form this homework takes varies vastly from subject to subject as what works for one subject is not necessarily best for another. To ensure this happens across the school, faculties or departments have their own policies that comply with Soham Village College's guidance set out below.

1. IMPACT: Homework must be challenging, meaningful and help students make progress through consolidation,

<https://www.sohamvc.org/page/?title=Homework+%26amp%3B+Study+Skills&pid=1049>

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## Departments

Soham Village College prides itself on the top quality education provided by every department. Through departments, we offer a wide range of experiences both in the classroom and through trips and visits to make sure our students get practical experience of the subject they are studying. Each department has detailed the content taught in each term to each year group. This allows parents, carers and students the opportunity to plan ahead and see what is coming next. Please select the subject you would like to know more about from the list on the right.

ART & DESIGN

BUSINESS STUDIES

COMPUTING

DRAMA

D&T TEXTILES

D&T PRODUCT DESIGN

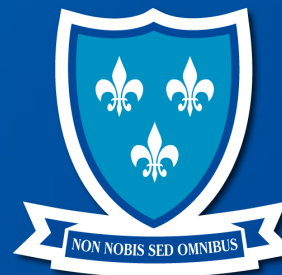
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FOOD PREPARATION & NUTRITION

FOUNDATION LEARNING TIER

FRENCH

GEOGRAPHY



# HOMEWORK CLUB

**LUNCHTIME**

**EVERYDAY**

**1.15-1.55pm in M6**

**YRS: 7 8 9 10 11**

**AFTER SCHOOL**

**MONDAY to THURSDAY**

**3- 4pm in the Library**

**YRS: 7 8 9 10 11**

**Need a hand with your homework or a quiet place to study?**

**You'll even get +2 BPs for coming to an extra-curricular club!**

**Starts Monday 17 September.**

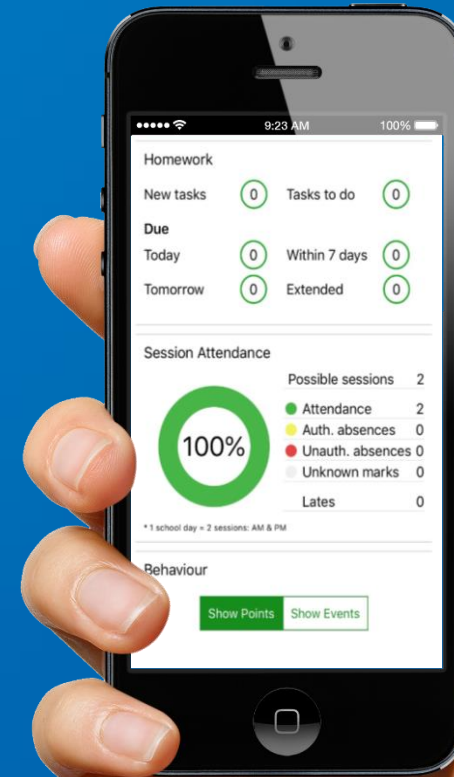


Target grades: these are a **guide**,  
they are **not a prophecy!**



...and they are  
not glass  
ceilings





# 4 SCHOOLS Mobile App

90% of the parents asked at parents evening said they would like this – thank you for your feedback





**Many thanks for coming.**

**We hope that through working together we can make this the most successful and enjoyable year possible for your child.**



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