

Monday 12 September



It was lovely to see so many parents and carers on Thursday last week for our Information Evening. If you missed this evening, where we explained our new assessment framework and gave some advice on how you can help your daughter or son to do well in English and Mathematics, then please download our presentations below. Please do not hesitate to contact us should you wish for any further information.

- 1. Changes to Assessment**
- 2. How to help your child in English**
- 3. How to help your child in Mathematics**

This week, on Monday, we welcome Simon Chikwana and Joe Tsokolida, visitors to the school from Malawi Evangelical Church. Our guests will lead an assembly and then visit and take part in lessons through the morning.

This week Year 7 students will visit St Mary's Church in Debenham. With strong links to the school it is important to us that students learn the history of our local church. We will welcome Year 7 parents/carers Wednesday evening at 7.00pm. This evening will introduce them to the school and give the opportunity to meet their child's form tutor, making that all-important face-to-face contact at the start of the academic year.

Another important part of our work with our new students is the use of peer mentors. These students, predominantly from Year 9, work with Year 7 tutor groups and individual students to support their transition to high school and to encourage and build new friendships.

Finally this week, Year 10 art students visit Ipswich to look at the local urban landscape.

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